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**PURCELLVILLE ARTS COUNCIL ISSUES A CALL FOR LOCAL ARTS ORGANIZATIONS  
TO APPLY FOR FUNDING**

**PURCELLVILLE, Va. January 28, 2021**— Local non-profit arts organizations are invited to submit requests for funding to the Purcellville Arts Council by Monday, March 1, 2021 to be considered for inclusion in the Town's proposal for the Virginia Commission for the Arts (VCA) Creative Communities Partnership Grant Program. Eligible arts organizations may [apply online](#). Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2021.

Through the Creative Communities Partnership Grant Program, the Virginia Commission for the Arts will match up to \$4,500 of tax monies given by independent town, city, and county governments to stand-alone arts organizations. Should the Town receive funding through the grant, a total of up to \$9,000 could be distributed to independent arts organizations that have applied for and been awarded support for arts activities within the town.

Eligible arts organizations interested in applying are required to submit the [online application](#), the organization's W-9, and the organization's 501(c)3 letter. Eligible applicants must be 501(c)3 organizations that:

- focus primarily on the arts (i.e. production, presentation or support of dance, literary arts, media arts, music, theater or visual or related arts)
- are incorporated in Virginia
- have their headquarters and home seasons, or activities equivalent to a home season, in the state

Proposals must be for arts activities that will be held in Purcellville, Virginia between July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Please note that funding cannot be provided for payment to performers for specific performances or for school arts budgets or arts programming by local governments, committees or councils of government, nor departments such as parks and recreation.

The Purcellville Arts Council will review the funding requests and then share their recommendations of organizations to be included in their grant proposal to the Virginia Commission for the Arts Creative Communities Partnership Program with the Town Council.

The application to be considered for included in the Town's grant proposal is available online on the [Purcellville Arts Council](#) page of the Town of Purcellville website. Eligible art

organizations may either apply online or mail the proposal with all of the required information to Purcellville Arts Council, Attn: Creative Communities Partnership Grant, 221 S Nursery Ave, Purcellville, VA 20132 by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 1, 2021.

For more information about the Virginia Commission for the Arts' Creative Communities Partnership Grant Program, visit [http://www.arts.virginia.gov/grants\\_local.html](http://www.arts.virginia.gov/grants_local.html)

**The Town of Purcellville, Virginia**

"Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper," is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 13<sup>th</sup> year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is ranked "Safest City" in Virginia in 2020. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, equestrian activities, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at [www.purcellvilleva.gov](http://www.purcellvilleva.gov).

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