



# CITY OF NANAIMO CULTURE GRANTS: **ALL**



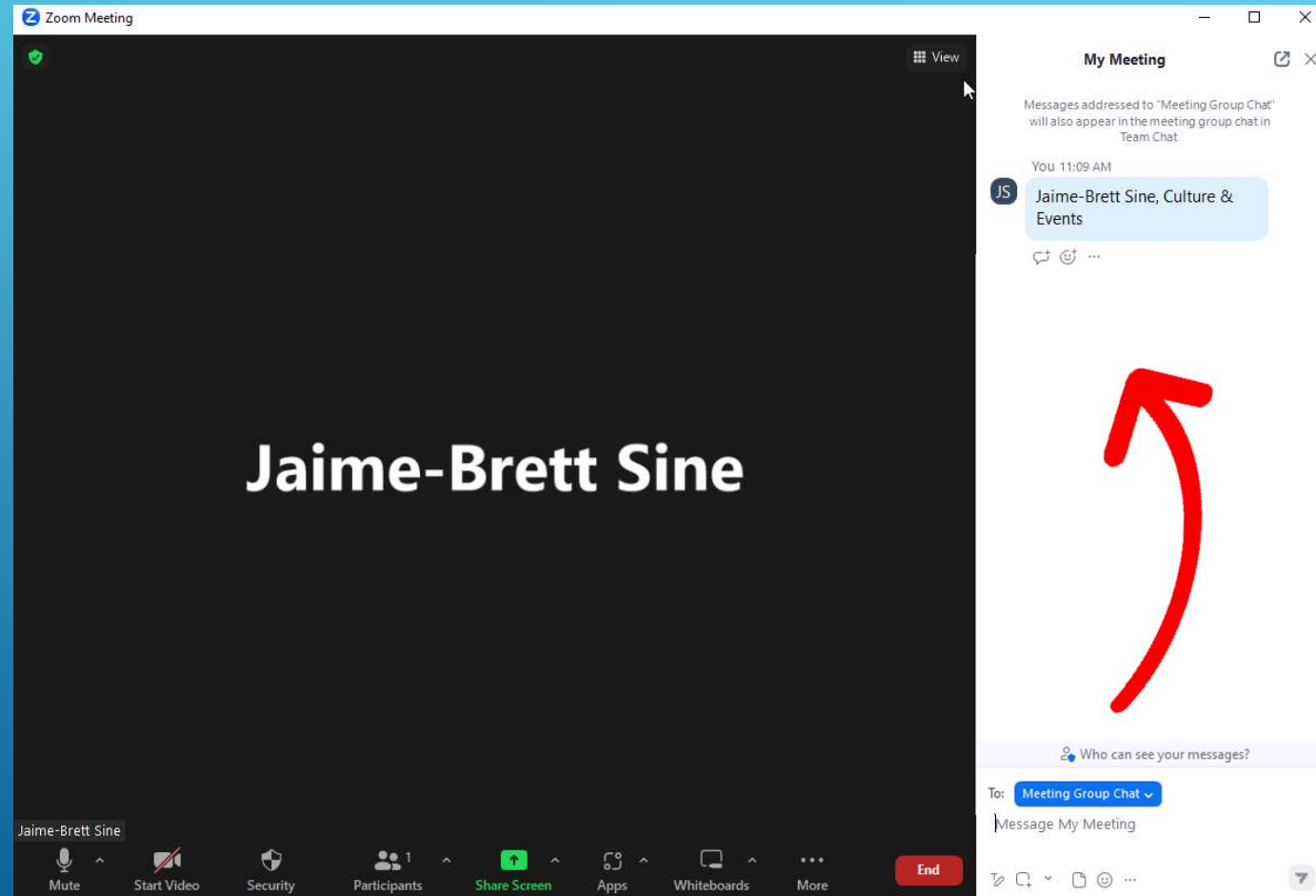
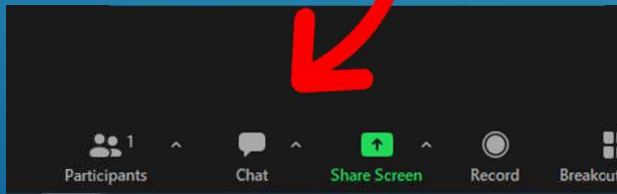




Acknowledgement...

# INTRODUCE YOURSELF IN THE CHAT PLEASE...

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# INTRODUCTIONS...



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Meg and Taylor



We ask that you **hold any questions until the end** of this presentation, or make use of the Zoom chat and we'll do our best to monitor it.

*Please note: This information session is being recorded*



# AN OVERVIEW:

- The City of Nanaimo supports **over 30** arts and culture groups through our Grant program
- Culture & Events have three available grants: Culture Operating Grant; Culture Project Grant; Downtown Event Revitalization Fund
- In the 2023 grant season, the City received over \$128,000 in funding requests from 19 organizations through the Project Grant program; The City awarded the entirety of the Project Grant budget to 15 groups amounting to: \$44,407
- In the 2023 grant season, the City received over \$360,000 in funding requests from 13 organizations through the Operating Grant program; The City awarded the entirety of the Operating Grant budget to all 13 groups amounting to: \$315,732
- In the 2023 grant season, the City received over \$177,000 in funding requests from 12 organizations through the Downtown Event Revitalization Fund; The City awarded the entirety of the DERF budget to 11 groups amounting to: \$150,000

Welcome Pole, Noel Brown, 2021



# CULTURE GRANTS

- The purpose of **Culture Project Grants** is to assist culture organizations to realize projects that benefit our community and contribute to the cultural, social and economic vitality of Nanaimo. Applications are received once per year.
- The purpose of **Culture Operating Grants** is to provide operational support for the activities of professional arts, culture and heritage organizations that play a significant role in contributing to the cultural profile and economic vitality of Nanaimo. Applications are received once per year.
- The purpose of **Downtown Event Revitalization Fund** is to assist with the costs of staging, organizing and presenting public events in downtown Nanaimo. The intention of the grant is to recognize the value events and festivals provide in building vitality downtown, enhancing quality of life, and raising Nanaimo's profile. Applications are received once per year.





# OPERATING & PROJECT GRANTS

*St'lil'up House Posts, Joel Good, William Good, 2018*

Intended to support arts, culture and heritage non-profit organizations based in Nanaimo with demonstrated commitment to contributing to the cultural life of the City who:

- foster public enjoyment, engagement, community pride and a sense of shared identity through broad public access to a variety of quality arts, culture and heritage offerings
- support and compensate local and regional professional artists
- contribute a significant impact to the local creative economy
- advance local arts, culture and heritage practices by contributing to Nanaimo's cultural life locally, regionally, nationally and internationally

Note: One of the key factors here is being able to demonstrate what you see listed above **effectively** in your application. We'll review some tips for doing so in just a moment.



# DOWNTOWN EVENT REVITALIZATION FUND

This grant is intended to support both groups and individuals in Nanaimo to plan and implement events and festivals downtown that:

- promote experiences for residents and visitors
- have strong potential to attract out-of-town visitors and overnight stays
- promote local businesses, arts, products, culture, history and attractions
- are either a one-time special event, or a recurring event or festival that is presented on an annual or semi-annual basis
- are accessible to the general public (with or without gated admission)





# TO BE ELIGIBLE:



## *Project*

- Be based in Nanaimo
- Be incorporated and in good standing (provincially or federally) as a non-profit organization with an arts, culture or heritage mandate
- Be in operation for minimum of 1 year (new and emerging groups will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis)
- Have successfully produced and documented at least one prior project or event
- Show evidence of project support from other sources (public and/or private, cash and/or in kind)

Project grants fund a **maximum** of **25%** of total project costs. Applicants may submit up to 3 applications for 3 separate projects per year.

## *Operating*

- Be incorporated as a non-profit based in Nanaimo (the address with BC registry is within the limits of Nanaimo & district)
- Your non-profit must be in good standing (provincially and/ or federally) as a non-profit arts, culture or heritage organization with a mandate to serve the public
- Be in operation for at least 3 years
- Offer year-round operation/ seasonal public programming and/ or services to artists
- Show evidence of support from other sources (public and/or private)

Operating grants fund a maximum of **25%** of an organization's total annual operating budget.

## *DERF*

- Be based in Nanaimo
- Be an incorporated non-profit society (provincially or federally) or community organization and in good standing
- Active for at least a full year prior to application
- **Individuals** are also eligible to apply and will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis

Grant applications can be submitted for up to **35%** of the total event budget; requests above 35% of total event budget will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

# INELIGIBLE:



## ***Project & Operating***

- Organizations that do not have arts, culture or heritage mandates
- City of Nanaimo departments
- Organizations with outstanding balances owed to the City of Nanaimo
- Public funded or private educational institutions (i.e. public schools, universities, colleges, training organizations)
- Previous funded organizations that have not submitted their final report
- Organizations that have not had a representative attend one of these Grant Preparation Zoom meetings
- Organizations outside the boundaries of Nanaimo

## ***DERF***

- City of Nanaimo departments
- Event organizers with outstanding balances owed to the City of Nanaimo
- Publicly funded or private educational institutions (public schools, universities, colleges, training organizations)
- Previously funded individuals / organizations that have not submitted a final report
- Organizations that have not had a representative attend a mandatory Grant Preparation Zoom meeting
- Organizations or individuals located outside of the boundaries of the City of Nanaimo



We do link to an interactive City map showing these boundaries in the online application forms....

The screenshot displays the NanaimoMap web application interface. At the top, the header reads "NanaimoMap | City of Nanaimo" with a search bar on the right. Below the header is a navigation bar with tabs for "Home", "Find Data", "Measure", and "Draw". A toolbar contains various search and drawing tools: Address Search, Folio Search, PID Search, Parks Search, Street Search, Clear Search Results, Point, Freehand, Line, Polygon, Rectangle, and Clear. The main map area shows a map of Nanaimo with a red boundary line and a blue "I want to..." button. On the left, a sidebar contains a "Home" tab and a "Welcome to the City of Nanaimo's Public Web Map." section. The sidebar text includes: "NanaimoMap allows you to search and view the City of Nanaimo's geographic data, including current and historical aerial photos, property information, utility services and more."; "Control what data is visible by opening the [Layer List](#)."; "To discover data, choose from a variety of tailored themes, or select All Available Layers to view everything."; "Search for information by using the search box in the top right of the map, or opening the Find Data tab at the top of the screen."; "Looking for property information? Start by entering an address using the [Address Search](#) tool, and zoom in to see more detail."; "Measure and drawing tools are available by opening the Measure or Draw tabs."; "Print, export, or send an email link of the map using the tools on the Home tab."; "Need help? Check out the [NanaimoMap Overview Guide](#), or if you're still having trouble, please contact us as [mapfeedback@nanaimo.ca](mailto:mapfeedback@nanaimo.ca)". At the bottom, there is a "Basemap" button, a scale bar showing "Scale 1: 100,000", and a "Go" button.

# A FEW NOTES ABOUT INELIGIBILITY:

- Organizations presently receiving Operating grants may apply for 1 supplemental Project Grant per funding cycle in one of two categories:
  - **Collaboration or Partnerships; or Organizational Capacity Building** (such as: professional development, mentorship, strategic planning)
  - Activities must not be funded through the City of Nanaimo's Culture Operating Grant



# INELIGIBLE PROJECTS/ ACTIVITIES/ EVENTS?



## *Project*

- Capital projects
- Recuperation of deficits
- The distribution of bursaries or scholarships
- Projects where the central focus is not arts or culture
- Projects occurring outside of the boundaries of the City of Nanaimo
- Projects that have received funding assistance through other sources at the City of Nanaimo

## *Operating*

- Capital Projects
- Recuperation of deficits
- The distribution of bursaries or scholarships



## *DERF*

- Capital projects
- Recuperation of deficits
- The distribution of bursaries or scholarships
- Activities where participation is based on fundraising pledges
- Activities that are politically-partisan
- Activities focused on commercial activity (e.g. marketing campaigns, tradeshow), religion or health care
- Activities occurring outside of downtown Nanaimo (the City reserves the right to determine the boundaries of downtown for the purpose of this program)
- Projects where the central focus is not hosting an event or a festival
- Projects which duplicate existing events or festivals
- Events and festivals that have already received funding for the same activities through other sources at the City of Nanaimo



# A COMMON QUESTION: WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CULTURE OPERATING GRANT AND THE CULTURE PROJECT GRANT?

Xwyunumus Joel Good & Bracken Hanuse Corlett, 2020  
Photograph: Sean Fenzl, 2020

- The **Operating Grants** fund **year-round** operations → this means not just public activities but administrative expenses
- If you're receiving operational funding, you are running year-round activities, have an administrative structure that reports to a volunteer Board of Directors, and are able to produce financial statements
- The funding of an Operating Grant is expected to help fund all activities (i.e. versus a particular project or program)
- This is why you are asked to provide a 'Program of Work' in the application which will outline your year-round activities and needs
- **Project grants**, however, are allocated in the realization of a specific project or series of activities
- That is why you are asked to describe the nature of the project/ activities and all related details in the application
- And yes, administrative costs associated with the realization of that project are eligible (i.e. venue rental, staffing, promotional costs)
- Operating expenses (like office rent or utilities) are not a project cost



City of Nanaimo  
Culture & Events  
Culture Project Grant 2024

### Application Form

#### Organization Details

Legal Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person\* \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Must be available to be contacted in December 2023*

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you been an organization? \_\_\_\_\_

BC Society Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

Is your society in good standing with the BC Registrar?

Yes

No

Is this a first-time project?

Yes

No

#### Grant Request Details

Grant Period (eg. Jan 1 2024-July 31 2024) \_\_\_\_\_

indicate the start and end date for your project (your final report will be due 90 days after the end date)

Request Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

► Most of this is a very clear collection of basic information about your organization...

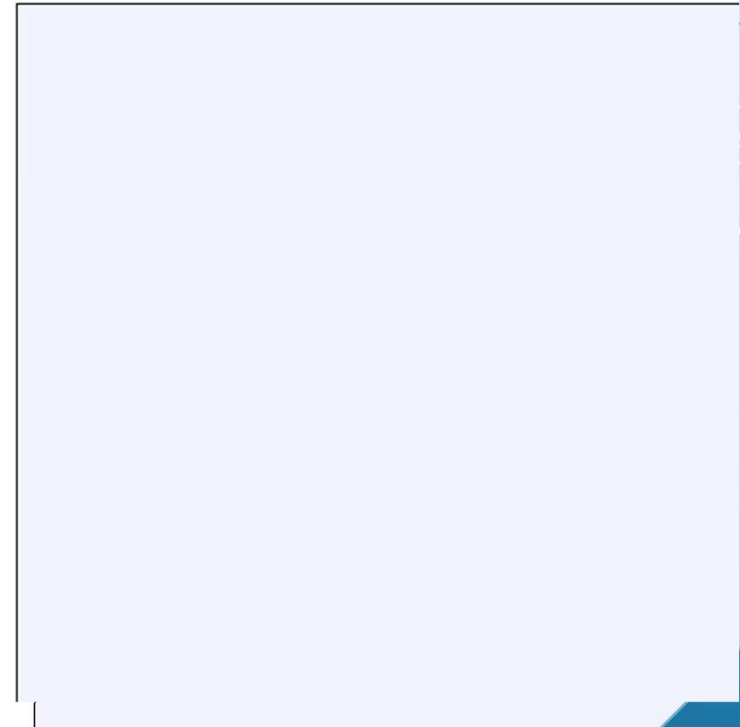
# THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- ▶ You will notice there is a **word limit** for the fillable spaces in the application – this is intentional
- ▶ Some tips:
  - ▶ More is not necessarily better – be **concise and clear**
  - ▶ Limited space available means you must choose words that best convey your meaning; eliminate unnecessary redundancies; be critical (edit, edit, edit!)
  - ▶ While you can include additional materials or information with your application, unless those materials are requested or vital (for e.g. your 'Program of Work'), we encourage you to focus instead on how to effectively communicate what is necessary in a concise manner
  - ▶ Be clear and straight forward
  - ▶ Refer to the **City Plan** and consider how your organization's mandate/ goals align with key points ...

City of Nanaimo  
Culture & Events  
Culture Project Grant 2024

**A1. Applicant Profile** (Up to 1 pg / single sided / no staples / font: Arial)  
Input a brief summary of your organization

- What is your mandate? How does your mandate align with section 2.1.1 of the *Nanaimo* of the [Nanaimo City Plan](#)?
- Does your organization have paid staff or is it volunteer-run?
- Who are your board members and what are their roles?





# CITY PLAN: NANAIMO REIMAGINED



*City Plan - Nanaimo ReImagined* is the City's strategic planning document, that provides direction for the coming 25 years on land use, Truth and Reconciliation, climate adaptation, health and wellness, diversity, accessibility and inclusion, economic prosperity, sustainable living, and more. Because cities work best when interdependent systems are considered together, *City Plan: Nanaimo ReImagined* unifies traditionally separate strategic documents to serve as Nanaimo's: Official Community Plan (OCP); Parks, Recreation, Culture, & Wellness Plan; Active Mobility Plan; Transportation Plan; Climate Action & Resiliency Plan; Accessibility & Inclusion Plan.

**City Plan: Nanaimo Reimagined** is available online and is an excellent resource for your application.

The City Plan was passed in **2022**. While you will find other City materials online, this is the most recent and relevant.

Where to find sections most relevant to art, culture, and heritage?

<b>C4 AN EMPOWERED NANAIMO: RECONCILIATION, REPRESENTATION, &amp; INCLUSION</b>	<b>90</b>
C4.1 Truth & Reconciliation	97
C4.2 Equity & Inclusivity	101
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# ANOTHER TIP...

## *Sing your own praises!*

Some of you may have submitted a Final Report as a requirement of your previous year's funding and included information with regard to your successes and all relevant stats.

Do NOT assume we will be able to recall this information when reviewing new grants applications. Repeat the information if it helps strengthen your application for 2024 funding. Previous year's Final Reports are not reviewed alongside a new years grants applications.

For example, if applying for an increase in funding for an ongoing operations due to the Program of Work expanding as a result of the previous year's proven success (such as increased attendance numbers requiring a larger venue for events) – include this information in your application, do not assume we'll recall these numbers from your Final Report.





# IF SOMETHING CHANGES...

If something changes – a mandate change / an event / program you'd included in your Program of Work is no longer happening – reach out to us immediately to let us know. Changes to the original scope of work outlined in the Program of Work must be approved.

Major changes to proposed activities will generally require an interim report be submitted for staff approval.

If there are funds that cannot be used as a result of changes, we must be notified immediately.





- Use the [Culture Project Grant Budget Form](#) to list all revenues and expenses of your project. Include this with grant request. *Note: your budget must balance.* An excel version of this form can also be requested by contacting us directly.

### **A7. Support Material**

Please include relevant support materials (video documentation, images with corresponding descriptions, news articles or press coverage, brochures / programs of one event in previous or current year, resumes, publications, etc.)

- up to 10 images (Jpeg files preferred)
- up to 5 sound clips, no more than 2 minutes in length (online links preferred)
- up to 5 minutes of video (online links preferred)
- up to 10 pages in writing samples, related publicity or marketing materials or participant biographies

**Data limits apply to uploading materials. Files must be smaller than 100MB.**

### **Final Report on Previous Year Funding**

- Applicants who have received funding in previous years must submit a Final Report on your most recent project, 90 days after the project end date. If your previous project is not yet complete at the time of application, please submit an interim report along with your application. **Failure to provide a Report will render new applications ineligible.**

**NOTE!** Data limits apply. Please ensure files are **smaller than 100 MB** if using online submission. Hardcopy submission can be accompanied by a flash drive.

# ADDITIONAL MATERIALS



# FINANCIAL INFORMATION: PROJECT & OPERATING GRANTS

\*Excel format Budget Forms are provided, online

**NEW!**

To remove financial barriers, under the new guidelines for Operating Grants, if a group is requesting funding in an amount that is **less than \$20,000**, an externally reviewed financial statement is no longer required, thus eliminating the cost of a third-party audit.

If the funding request is less than \$20,000.00, you will need to provide a year-end financial statement which:

- reflects most recently completed fiscal year
- is signed by two signing officers of the organization
- includes breakdown of all public funding and operating net assets

Use the Culture Project and Operating Grant Budget Forms to list all revenues and expenses. Include this with your application submission.

## Culture Project Grant - Budget Form 2024

Using the form provided, please supply a budget for this project that demonstrates thorough understanding of revenues and expenses. Please note: Revenues and Expenses must balance. Attach a separate page for budget notes, or for a more detailed breakdown, if appropriate.

### REVENUES

#### PUBLIC FUNDING

City of Nanaimo (this request)

Other (specify):

#### EARNED REVENUE (specify):

#### FUNDRAISING (specify):

#### OTHER (specify):

#### TOTAL REVENUES

0

### EXPENSES

#### FEES

Artist Fees

Professional Fees


Other (specify):

#### PRODUCTION EXPENSES

# BC SOCIETY ACT ANNUAL REPORT

We link to the necessary form...

Although not required for DERF application, registered Societies may wish to strengthen section A1 of their Applicant Profile by providing a copy of their Annual Report. See section **A5** of Operating and/or Project Grant applications for link.

		Society <b>ANNUAL REPORT</b> SOCIETIES ACT, section 73	
Telephone: 1 877 526-1526 <a href="http://www.gov.bc.ca/societies">www.gov.bc.ca/societies</a>	Mailing Address: PO Box 9431 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9V3	Courier Address: 200 - 940 Blanshard Street Victoria BC V8W 3E6	
<p><b>DO NOT MAIL THIS FORM</b> unless otherwise instructed to do so by registry staff. BC Registries and Online Services requires that this filing be completed online at <a href="http://www.gov.bc.ca/SocietiesOnline">www.gov.bc.ca/SocietiesOnline</a>.</p> <p><b>Filing Fee: \$40.00</b></p> <p>If you are instructed by registry staff to mail this form, please include a cheque/money order (payable to the Minister of Finance) or provide a BC OnLine account number.</p>		<p><small>Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA): Personal information provided on this form is collected, used and disclosed under the authority of the FOIPPA and the Societies Act for the purposes of assessment. Questions regarding the collection, use and disclosure of personal information can be directed to the Manager of Registries Operations at 1 877 526-1526, PO Box 9431 Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC V8W 9V3.</small></p>	
<b>A PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS</b>		<b>ALTERNATE EMAIL ADDRESS</b>	
<b>B INCORPORATION NUMBER OR BUSINESS NUMBER OF SOCIETY</b>			
<b>C NAME OF SOCIETY</b>			
<b>D ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) DATE</b> (A society must hold an Annual General Meeting once in each calendar year. The annual report must be filed within 30 days after the meeting is held.)			
FOR CALENDAR YEAR		YYYY/MM/DD	
<input type="checkbox"/>		OR <input type="checkbox"/> No meeting held	
<b>E REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS</b>			
Has the registered office address changed from last year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<small>The Notice of Change of Address takes effect at the beginning of the day (12:01 a.m. Pacific Time) following the date on which this notice is filed with the registrar.</small>			
DELIVERY ADDRESS (PO Box alone is not accepted. Postal Code required.)		CITY	Prov. POSTAL CODE
			BC
MAILING ADDRESS (if different from delivery address.)		CITY	Prov. POSTAL CODE
			BC
<b>F PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ELECTED OR APPOINTED AS DIRECTORS</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A society must have a minimum of three directors (individuals) and at least one must be ordinarily resident in BC.</li> <li>A member-funded society must have at least one director who is not required to reside in BC.</li> <li>A director address must be a physical address. A post office box alone is not accepted. A director's address may be their residential address or an address at which the director may be served with records between the hours of 9:00am and 4:00pm, local time, Monday to Friday.</li> <li>Full names of directors are required; initials only are not accepted.</li> <li>This section continues on the next page. Attach additional sheet if more space is required.</li> <li>If the society did not hold an Annual General Meeting (AGM), changes of directors cannot be reflected on the Annual Report. Please complete a Director Change form (FORM 03 soc).</li> </ul>			
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# CONFIRMATION OF SUBMISSION

You will likely have a form like this in your records that outlines organizational information including your Board of Directors

This is what we require...

**BRITISH COLUMBIA**

**BC Society - Societies Act**

**CERTIFIED COPY**  
Of a document filed with the  
Province of British Columbia  
Registrar of Companies  
*Carol Prest*  
CAROL PREST

**NAME OF SOCIETY:**

**Incorporation Number:**

**Business Number:**

**Filed Date and Time:**

**REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS INFORMATION**

**DIRECTOR INFORMATION**

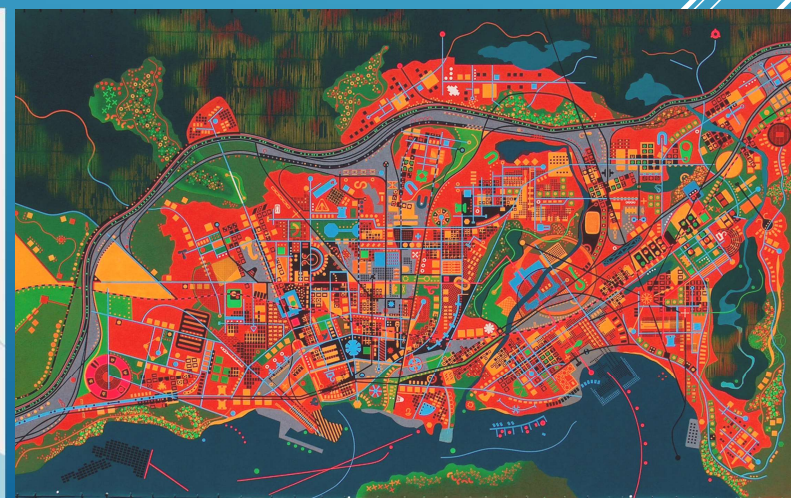
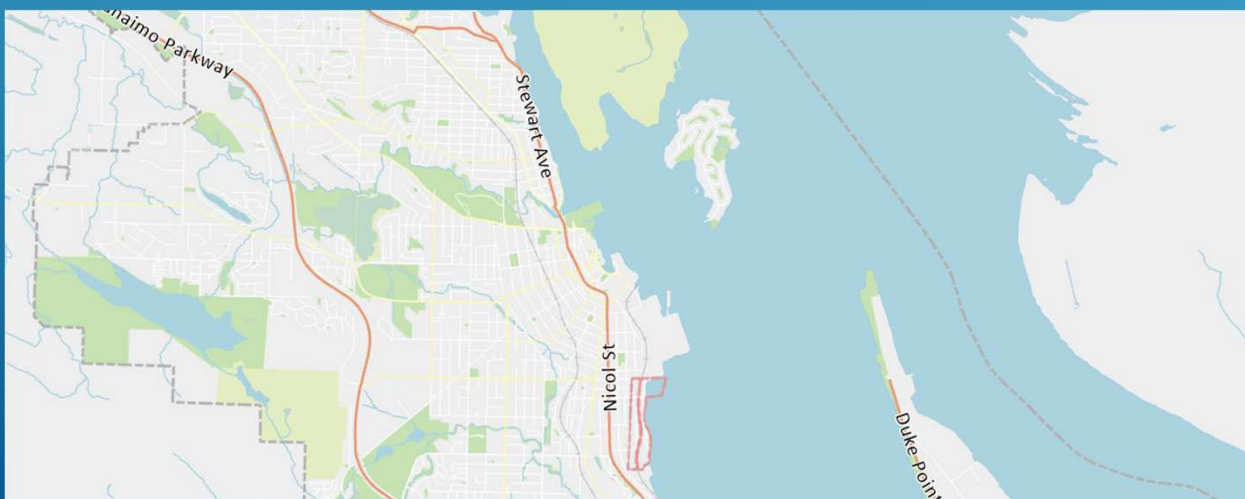
**BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
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**CANADA**

**BC REGISTRIES AND ONLINE SERVICES**  
Incorporation Number: S0054846 [www.gov.bc.ca/Societies](http://www.gov.bc.ca/Societies) Page 1 of 2

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

## **My organization is located outside the City of Nanaimo boundaries. Are we eligible?**

As already covered, to be eligible for funds at the City of Nanaimo, your organization must be registered as a nonprofit with an address inside the boundaries of the City. Organizations that operate in multiple communities must be registered to an address inside the boundaries of the City of Nanaimo and must be able to demonstrate public activities taking place inside the City limits in order to receive funding through the Culture Grant Program.



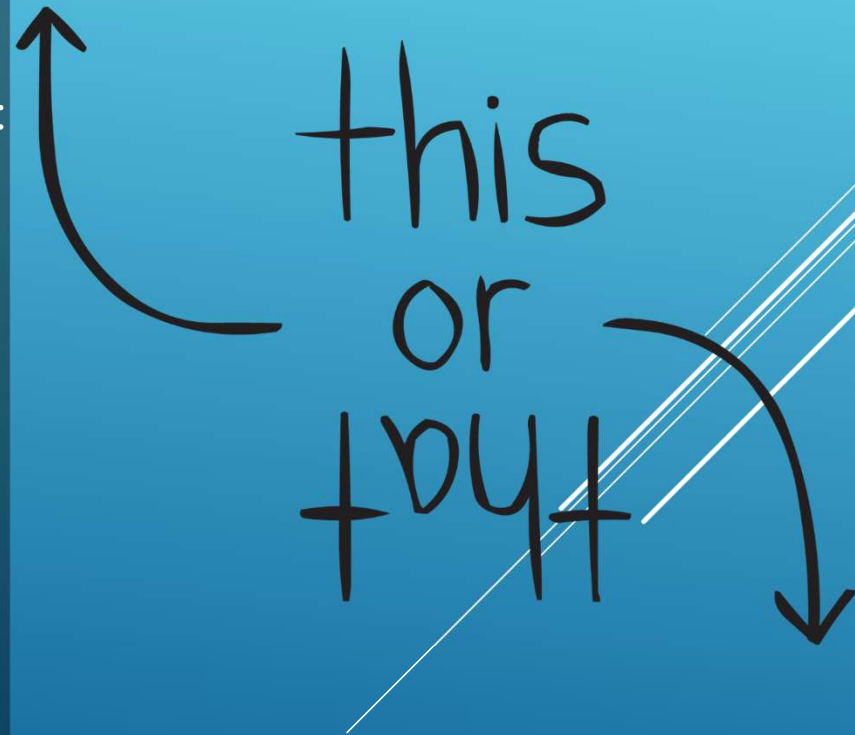
# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

## What type of grant should I apply for: Project or Operating?

This decision should be made based on several factors:

- The reviewed difference between Project and Operating – Are you seeking to fund operational costs or funds for a specific project/ series of activities?
- Is your organization eligible for a Culture Operating Grant?
- Your organization's financial needs. A reminder: In 2023, \$83,000+ above available budget for Project Grants funding was requested

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or  
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# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**My organization is applying to host our annual cultural event fundraiser, with proceeds going to charity. Can we seek support from the City of Nanaimo?**

Fundraising activities, where the outcome generates funds for a separate charitable cause are **not eligible** for funding through this program. Organizations that undertake fundraising activities, such as regular programs and events that charge a fee for entry, where the funds raised will be a portion of the annual revenues at the organization applying for funding, are eligible to apply, provided their fundraiser is not the sole activity of the organization.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

*Pacific Sails, John A. Charnetski, 2007*

## Can I apply for more than one Project Grant project/initiative?

Yes. Based on funds available, up to **three** Project Grant applications may be approved in a year.

## Can our organization apply for a Culture Project Grant and a Culture Operating Grant?

Applicants who are receiving Culture Operating support may apply for **one** supplemental Project Grant. Organizations that receive an Operating Grant may apply for one Project Grant that is either a collaboration with another organization or a capacity building activity. The application must clearly demonstrate how the request falls outside of regular operations.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Can our organization apply for a Culture Project Grant and a Downtown Event Revitalization Grant?**

Organizations may apply to both funds, provided the requests are for separate projects, events or activities.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Can I apply for more than one Downtown Event Revitalization project/initiative?**

Yes. Based on funds available, up to **four** Downtown Event Revitalization applications may be approved.

**I am part of an Artists' Cooperative. Can we apply in this capacity for a DERF or Project Grant (multiple applicants, one proposal)?**

No. One person or organization must be responsible for the funding.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**Can I apply for Downtown Event Revitalization funding if I have received other funding from City of Nanaimo for my project?**

Organizations and individuals may apply more than once to the City of Nanaimo, but the funds must support a different project, program or activity.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**My event is new and/or my organization has just been created. Can I still apply for Downtown Event Revitalization funding?**

Yes. These requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis. DERF funding is intended to activate the downtown and applications will be evaluated based on merit! You have ideas? We want to hear them.

**My activity/ project will start in 2024, but will last into 2025, am I still eligible to apply?**

Yes, the fund supports activities that are initiated in 2024. Organizations with activities that carry over into 2025 must supply an interim report if/when submitting a new application to the Culture Project Fund.





# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

**I would like to run an event, in collaboration with a society. Can they apply on my behalf?**

Partnerships and collaborations are encouraged, however it is not recommended that a society apply on behalf of another organization or individual.

*\*Funds allocated in support of the event are disbursed under contractual obligations that we require the event organizer to uphold.*



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

What if I have additional questions?

Reach out to us at [culturegrants@nanaimo.ca](mailto:culturegrants@nanaimo.ca) and we will do our best to guide you.

Application Due Date: **October 10 | 4PM**



# BONUS... OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

## With the City of Nanaimo:

- Community Development Grant
- Travel Assistance Grant
- Social Planning Grants
  - Community Vitality
  - Social Response
- Youth Resiliency Grant (note: this grant's deadline has passed)

## Corporate Funding:

- Telus Community Funds
- RBC Emerging Artists
- The Rio Tinto Aluminum Canada Fund

## Other:

- Canada Council for the Arts
- BC Arts Council
- Department of Canadian Heritage
- Heritage BC
- BC Community Gaming
- Creative BC Funding
- BC Museums Association
- FACTOR (the Foundation to Assist Canadian Talent on Records)
- MusicBC (travel grants)
- Artstarts
- First Peoples' Cultural Council
- Island Coastal Trust Community Placemaking Program



# QUESTIONS?

