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Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester Announces Community Arts Grants Available to Region's Nonprofit Organizations

August 5, 2008, Rochester, NY -The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester announces that its Community Art Grants, totaling approximately \$105,000, are available to nonprofit organizations throughout the region. The grants are for programs to be completed in 2009. The deadline for applying is Thursday, November 6, 2008. The maximum grant award is \$5,000.

There are two types of grants available: 1) Decentralization Grants, administered by the Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester and funded in partnership with the New York State Council on the Arts, support nonprofit organizations in Monroe County for arts-related programs that serve Monroe County residents. 2) Capacity Building Grants, administered by the Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester and funded in partnership with Rochester Area Community Foundation, support projects that will improve an organization's management, develop audiences, strengthen fundraising and/or achieve operating efficiencies through shared resources and is for cultural organizations with budgets of less than \$600,000 in Monroe, Wayne, Ontario, Livingston, Genesee or Orleans County.

Any organizations planning to apply for a Community Arts Grant must register to attend one of nine grant seminars scheduled during the months of August, September, and October. Attendance at a seminar is mandatory.

Seminars will take place at the following times and locations:

- **Tuesday, August 26, 2008, 3:30 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester, 14607
585)473-4000, ext. 202
**ABBREVIATED SESSION FOR THOSE THAT
APPLIED IN 2006 or 2007 ONLY!**
- **Monday, September 15, 2008, 4:00 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester, 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 202
**ABBREVIATED SESSION FOR THOSE THAT
APPLIED IN 2006 or 2007 ONLY!**
- **Thursday, August 28, 2008, 2:30 p.m.**
Henrietta Public Library
455 Calkins Road, Henrietta, 14476
(585)359-7092
- **Tuesday, September 16, 2008, 5:30 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester, 14607
(585)473-4000, ext. 202
- **Wednesday, September 3, 2008, 2:00 p.m.**
Seymour Public Library
161 East Avenue, Brockport, 14420
(585)637-1050
- **Thursday, September 18, 2008, 12:30 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester, 14607
(585)473-4000, ext. 202
- **Monday, September 8, 2008, 3:00 p.m.**
Maplewood Community Library
1111 Dewey Avenue, 14613
(585)428-8220
- **Tuesday, September 23, 2008, 6:00 p.m.**
Arnett Branch Library
310 Arnett Blvd., Rochester, 14619
(585) 428-8214
- **Wednesday, September 24, 2008, 10:00
a.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester, 14607
(585)473-4000, ext. 202

To register for a seminar or to make an appointment for a grant-writing consultation, call (585)473-4000, x 202; or email mfutter@artsrochester.org.

Applications and guidelines are available at <http://www.artsrochester.org/artscouncil/grants.htm>.

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