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

August 5, 2009, Rochester, NY -The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester announces that its Community Art Grants, totaling over \$90,000, are available to nonprofit organizations throughout the region. The grants are for programs to be completed in 2010. The deadline for applying is Thursday, November 5, 2009. 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 and September. Attendance at a seminar is mandatory.

Seminars will take place at the following times and locations:

- **Tuesday, August 25, 2009, 3:30 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester , 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 206
ABBREVIATED SESSION FOR THOSE THAT APPLIED IN 2007 or 2008 ONLY!
- **Thursday, August 27, 2009, 2:30 p.m.**
Charlotte Branch Library
3557 Lake Avenue, Rochester, NY 14612
To register, call: (585) 473-4000, ext. 206
For Directions to the library, call: (585) 428-8216
- **Monday, August 31, 2009, 4:00 PM**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester , 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 206
- **Thursday, September 3, 2009, 10AM**
Ogden Farmers' Library
269 Ogden Center Rd, Spencerport, NY 14559
To register, call: (585) 473-4000, ext. 206
For Directions to the library, call: (585) 617-6181
- **Tuesday, September 8, 2009, 12:00 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester , 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 206
- **Thursday, September 10, 2009, 6:00 p.m.**
Brighton Memorial Library
2300 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester NY 14618
To register, call: (585) 473-4000, ext. 206
For Directions to the library, call: (585) 784-5300
- **Monday, September 14, 2009, 3:00 p.m.**
Lyell Branch Library
956 Lyell Avenue, Rochester, NY 14606
To register, call: (585) 473-4000, ext. 206
For Directions to the library, call: (585) 428-8218
- **Thursday, September 17, 2009, 5:00 p.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester , 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 206
ABBREVIATED SESSION FOR THOSE THAT APPLIED IN 2007 or 2008 ONLY!
- **Wednesday, September 23, 2009, 10:00 a.m.**
Arts & Cultural Council Offices
277 N. Goodman Street, Rochester , 14607
(585) 473-4000, ext. 206

To register for a seminar or to make an appointment for a grant-writing consultation, call (585)473-4000, x 206; or email jwatson@artsrochester.org.

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

Please note: These grant programs are offered contingent upon the Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester's receipt of funding. The Arts & Cultural Council reserves the right to cancel the grant programs at any time.

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*The **Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester** is a nonprofit corporation serving arts and culture in the 10-county greater Rochester region. Our mission is to strengthen and promote the region's creative sector through grant programs, constituent services, and special initiatives; and to act as an advocate, planner, and funder, supporting artistic vitality and cultural diversity throughout the region. For more information about our programs and services, visit www.artsrochester.org.*