

**Southwest Minnesota Arts & Humanities Council**  
**SMAHC Programs for Organizations & Schools**  
**FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012: July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012**

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ART PROJECT GRANTS</u></b></p> <p><i>Provides area organizations with up to \$20,000 in matching funds to produce or present high quality arts events that leave an arts legacy in Minnesota. 25% cash match required</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DEADLINES</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round I</b>  <b>Application Deadline: August 22, 2011</b>                  Panel Meeting: Sept. 17, 2011                  Board Action: Sept. 27, 2011                  Earliest project start date Oct.15, 2011</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round II</b>  <b>Application Deadline: January 13, 2012</b>                  Panel Meeting: February 11, 2012                  Board Action: February 23, 2012                  Earliest project start date: March 9, 2012</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round III</b>  <b>Application Deadline: May 15, 2012</b>                  Panel Meeting: June 9, 2012                  Board Action: June 26, 2012                  Earliest project start date: July 1, 2012</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ARTS ORGANIZATION DEVELOPMENT GRANTS</u></b></p> <p><i>Provides up to \$5,000 (25% match required) in matching funds to local arts organizations to strengthen their capacity to provide quality arts activities. Provides up to \$2000 in matching funds for local organization start-up or planning grants (no match). Provides up to \$15,000 in matching funds for equipment &amp; facilities grants for local art organizations (35% cash match required).</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DEADLINES</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round I</b>  <b>Application Deadline: September 1, 2011</b>                  Board Action: September 27, 2011                  Earliest project start date: October 15, 2011</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round II</b>  <b>Application Deadline: February 1, 2012</b>                  Board Action: February 28, 2012                  Earliest project start date: March 9, 2012</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ARTS in the SCHOOLS GRANTS</u></b></p> <p><i>Matching grants to schools for artist residencies or arts-related field trips that include educator training and community involvement. Up to \$600 (field trips), \$750 (pre-packaged theatre residencies) or \$2,500 (residencies) 25% cash match required..</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DEADLINES</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round I</b>  <b>Application Deadline: October 15, 2011</b>                  Panel Meeting: November 12, 2011                  Board Action: November 22, 2011                  Earliest project start date: December 1, 2011</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Round II</b>  <b>Application Deadline: April 16, 2012</b>                  Panel Meeting: May 12, 2012                  Board Action: May 22, 2012                  Earliest project start date: June 1, 2012</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>ART PROJECT PLANNING</u></b></p> <p><i>Provides area art organizations up to \$2,000 to complete a thorough planning process for large-scale arts projects.(10% cash match required.)</i></p> <p><b>Ongoing deadline:</b> 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.                  Board Action: Next scheduled board meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CULTURAL BANK INSURANCE</u></b></p> <p><i>Up to \$400 in insurance support for projects which face possible loss of expected revenue. Not a grant. Reimburses losses up to 1/3 of total cash cost not to exceed \$400. Must be member organization of SMAHC.</i></p> <p><b>Ongoing deadline:</b> 28 days before project performance date.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:</u></b></p> <p>Free to all area schools, arts organizations and artists.  <b>Call the SMAHC Office at 507-537-1471</b></p>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>PRAIRIE STAR AWARD</u></b></p> <p>This award (\$5,000) was established to provide awareness and recognition of one artist per year, from southwest Minnesota, whose body of work best exemplifies the highest quality of art in the SMAHC region.</p> <p>These awards made by nomination only.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DEADLINES</u></b></p> <p><b>Application Deadline: April 1, 2012</b>          Board Action: TBD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>PRAIRIE DISCIPLE AWARD</u></b></p> <p>This award (\$500) acknowledges one person who has been instrumental in promoting the arts in the 18-county area of southwestern Minnesota. In 2012, this award will be given to recognize a teacher/educator only.</p> <p>These awards made by nomination only.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DEADLINES</u></b></p> <p><b>Application Deadline: April 1, 2012</b>          Board Action: TBD</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:</u></b></p> <p>Free to all area schools, arts organizations and artists.  <b>Call the SMAHC Office at 507-537-1471</b></p>