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WALTHAM CULTURAL COUNCIL SEEKS FUNDING PROPOSALS

The Waltham Cultural Council supports the arts, humanities, and sciences through grants and advocacy for nonprofit cultural organizations, schools, and visual and performing artists. Through our efforts, we strive to make our community a better place to live, work, and visit. As a public investor in the arts, humanities, and sciences, we work to ensure everyone in our community has a place in our rich cultural life.

We are seeking proposals for programs and events that celebrate cultural diversity, explore local history, engage the community and increase arts education for Waltham Youth. Based on this year's Community Input Survey priority will be given to applicants that focus specifically on diversity, equity, inclusion and accessibility, neighborhood revitalization and community engagement, arts programming for school aged children, and opportunities that are specifically targeted to our low income, BIPOC (black, indigineous, people of Color), immigrant and youth communities.

Preference is given to activities that take place in Waltham; activities outside of Waltham that enrich the Waltham community will be considered. Organizations, schools, and individuals are welcome to apply.

The deadline for the grant application is November 16th. Applications will be accepted from now through November 16, for events that occur between July 1, 2020 and December 31, 2021.

The online application and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program are available online at http://mass-culture.org/Waltham. For local guidelines and more info on the Waltham Cultural Council, contact walthamculturalcouncil@gmail.com.

The **Waltham Cultural Council** is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community. The WCC also receives an annual appropriation from the City of Waltham.