

JCS Fund "Picture This" Visual Arts Mini-Grant Guidelines



2018 is off to an artful start thanks to the generosity of the DuPage Foundation's JCS Fund. In an effort to enrich the creative landscape in DuPage County, the JCS Fund is offering a Visual Arts Mini-Grant opportunity in 2018 for painting and drawing related not-for-profit arts organizations and governmental agencies. Entities may request up to \$2,000 for locally-developed, high-quality visual arts projects that reflect the art and strengths of our diverse yet unified community.

Goals of the Mini-Grant Program are:

- To enliven public spaces with visual arts in DuPage County
- To raise the visibility of DuPage County's robust arts and culture ecosystem
- To create excitement and engagement in the local art scene to enhance the identity of DuPage County.

Program Description

Mini-Grants are designed to provide quick access to funds supporting visual arts projects that relate to drawing or painting in any medium or related arts activities. Examples of project types include exhibitions, public art, pop-up galleries, community murals, master classes, arts projects created by or for seniors, and cultural heritage projects.

Eligibility

DuPage County 501(c)(3) organizations and governmental agencies.

Grant Amounts

\$500 - \$2,000

Applications / Decisions

Applications may be submitted at any time beginning March 1, 2018. Awards will be made quarterly starting March 31, 2018 until the grant funds are exhausted.

Review Criteria

Special consideration will be given to organizations that have not received funding from the DuPage Foundation in the past.

Artistic Goals & Impact	Originality & Feasibility
Artistic Experience & Skill	Community Engagement
Project Finances	Strength of Project
Partnerships, In-kind or Matching funds	

Application

The JCS Fund "Picture This" Visual Arts Mini-Grant Application is available on the DuPage Foundation's website at <u>www.dupagefoundation.org</u> under Grants/JCS Fund.

Receiving a JCS Fund "Picture This" Mini-Grant does not preclude you from applying for a DuPage Foundation Community Needs Grant.