



Dear Friends of the Arts,

As we approach the end of the year, we can't help but reflect on how grateful we are. Today marks the official launch of the MC Gives! campaign and your generous support will go towards our Arts4Healing program. Your support makes a tremendous difference in helping bring the arts to our community.

Arts as healing programs are a testament to the profound truth that within the strokes of a paintbrush, the melodies of a song, or the grace of a dance lies the boundless capacity of the human spirit to heal, thrive, and create beauty from adversity.

Our Arts4Healing programs have a profound impact on individuals facing physical, emotional, or mental health challenges. Through the healing power of art, these programs provide a creative and nurturing space where individuals can find solace, express their emotions, and embark on a transformative healing journey. Since 2009, we have brought these programs to community partners, such as the Veterans Transition Center, CHISPA Senior Housing, Community Day Schools, Rancho Cielo, and many more!

Your support enables these programs to reach a wider audience, fostering emotional well-being, boosting self-esteem, and aiding in the recovery and resilience of participants. By supporting our Arts4Healing program, you will contribute to the well-being and recovery of individuals while recognizing the immense potential of the arts to bring about positive change in the lives of those who need it most. Please consider donating today through MCGives! and join us in using the arts as a source of hope and renewal for those on the path to healing and recovery.

Your generosity can truly make a world of difference to so many!

Give Today

All gifts made through Monterey County Gives! are matched, which means your donation goes even further.

Thank you!



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## The Healing Power of Art



**We want YOU to experience Arts4Healing!**  
Every donation to the Arts Council of \$50 and above through MC Gives!  
by Tuesday, November 28th, is invited to join us, on  
**Thursday, November 30 at 6 pm**  
at  
La Cantina Brewing Co., at 165 Main St., in Salinas

for an Arts4Healing experience.  
Led by Arts4Healing teaching artist Jess Ansberry.

*Donate by Tuesday, November 28*

Donate Now



Take Action



CFTA/CAA is mobilizing the field through a [sign on letter](#) to urge the California Arts Council (CAC) to reject several of the eligibility and grant program changes proposed by the CAC's Program Policy Committee.

In particular we are demanding that the CAC NOT limit grant eligibility to organizations with budgets under \$3 million, NOT limit State-Local Partner funding to organizations with budgets under \$1.5 million and NOT end the State and Regional Networks program as currently configured (visit our [FundCAarts webpage](#) for the committee report here and more info).

These proposed changes have been made without adequate input from the field, have the potential to destabilize critical programs and arts infrastructure in the state, and may pit members of the field against each other at a time when we need to unite to advocate for greater overall funding. We respect that the CAC is looking for ways to make arts funding in the state more equitable, but we don't believe these changes will help achieve these goals.

**We are submitting a letter to the Council urging them to reject the proposed changes - please sign on!**

Read & Sign the Letter TODAY!

## Program Spotlight: Arts Education



Students at Madonna del Sasso School in Salinas take part in weekly art classes and music lessons. In the art class, teaching artist Janaka Stagnaro gives students lots of different leaves to use for their drawing. They learned about textures, shapes, and colors. In the music class, teaching artist Jerad Fox shows them how to play different chords on their ukuleles. Lessons are made possible by Arts4MC's Professional Artists in the Schools program.

## 17th Annual Juried Exhibition

# Call to Artists

*Raising Awareness of Monterey County's Native Habitats, Animal and Plant Life*

**Deadline EXTENDED!**  
**November 15, 2023**



On behalf of the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors, the Arts Council for Monterey County is seeking original works of art for a 17th Annual Juried Exhibition.

This year's theme is "Raising Awareness of Monterey County's Native Habitats, Animal and Plant Life".

[Learn More](#)

## Call for Nominations

**Deadline  
EXTENDED!**

**ARTS COUNCIL**  
for Monterey County

# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

## Monterey County Poet Laureate

**REGISTER OR  
NOMINATE TODAY!**

Deadline to apply is November 30th, 2023



Monterey County  
Poet Laureate



[www.arts4mc.org/poetlaureate](http://www.arts4mc.org/poetlaureate)

### Applicants Must Be

- 18 years of age and older
- A resident of Monterey County
- Able to travel countywide

*Are you a poet? Are you a Monterey County resident and like to share your poetry, or know someone who does? We are looking for you!*

Arts4MC is currently accepting nominations for the next Monterey County Poet Laureate! The Poet Laureate is a two-year position that celebrates the County of Monterey's cultural heritage and promotes literacy and literature among county residents.

**Deadline extended to November 30, 2023.**

Applications Now Open

ArtWorks @Salinas Studios Available



## AFFORDABLE ARTIST STUDIOS AVAILABLE

262 MAIN ST., SALINAS



Open studios  
(not enclosed/private)

Rent starting from  
\$200/month  
based on size

Includes utilities, Wi-Fi,  
& marketing assistance

**APPLY  
TODAY!**



Are you a working artist in the Salinas area looking for a working space? Check out the artist studios currently available at Artworks @Salinas located at 262 Main Street in Downtown Salinas!

[Apply for an Artist Studio](#)

ArtWorks @Salinas will have a rotating art gallery and six small studio spaces for artists to sublease at an affordable rate. Rent includes all utilities, Wi-Fi and marketing.

## Arts & Cultural Impact Grants Open



Arts & Cultural Impact Grants up to \$5,000 are now open for application to nonprofit organizations seeking support for public arts and culture projects/programs to support and enhance creative projects in our community.

**Deadline to apply is November 15, 2023.**

[Apply Now](#)

**Informative/technical session via Zoom meeting for the Arts & Cultural Impact grant applicants will be held:**

Monday, November 13, 2023, Time: 1-2pm

## Community Arts Grants



Community Arts Grants are available to small nonprofit arts organizations seeking support for public arts and culture projects/programs up to \$5,000 per year.

[Apply Now](#)

## Opportunities for Teaching Artists

WE ARE HIRING!



# TEACHING ARTISTS

MUSIC  
DANCE  
THEATER  
VISUAL ARTS



LEARN MORE AT [ARTS4MC.ORG/JOBS](https://arts4mc.org/jobs)

Submit an Arts Event



Don't forget to add any upcoming art events to our calendar, such as galas, festivals, and community gatherings so we avoid overlapping and missing out on all the excitement!

[Submit An Event](#)

## Events/Happenings

November 14th at 10 am: [CalPayArt: Informational Webinar](#)

November 18th: [Hartnell College Foundation Presents Gala for the Arts](#)

November 19th at 4 pm: [Black Art & Liberation by Kweens Kounsel](#)

## Call to Artists/Auditions

November 11th: [Community Art Contest Benefiting Pets & People](#)

Deadline Extended to November 15th: [Public Art Exhibition at Monterey County Government Center](#)

Deadline Extended to November 30th: [Call for Nominations "Monterey County Poet Laureate"](#)

## Grants & Scholarships

November 10th: [MCFC's 2023 Film Student Scholarship Competition](#)

November 14th: [Arts & Cultural Impact Grants](#)

Until Funds Expended: [Community Arts Grants](#)

Ongoing: [Free Video Tutorial Grant Writing for Succe\\$\\$](#)

## Art Directory

Did you know... The Arts Council for Monterey County has an arts directory that allows you to quickly find all types of arts classes throughout Monterey County? Find an [art class here](#).

Click [here](#) to add your own organization, or update your existing directory listing, to help others find you.



Thank you to the County of Monterey and the Board of Supervisors for the ongoing support of the Arts Council for Monterey County's efforts to strengthen and broaden the County's economic base.

*Support the arts in Monterey County!*

[Make A Donation](#)

