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**Mesa Arts Center Foundation is now accepting applications for the  
*Arts at the Center* program.**

**Mesa, AZ** - The Mesa Arts Center Foundation's *Arts at the Center* program is now accepting Letters of Interest for the 2022-2023 season. *Arts at the Center* grants provide support to educational and non-profit organizations for the use of Mesa Arts Center ("MAC") spaces, including its beautiful world-class theaters.

**The deadline to submit an initial Letter of Interest to request *Arts at the Center* support this cycle is May 18, 2022. Those accepted to submit full applications will be notified on May 26, 2022 and sent a short application which must be returned by June 16, 2022.**

Up to six *Arts at the Center* grant recipients are chosen each year to present a performance or activity on one of MAC's stages or in one of its other spaces (studios, outdoor spaces). Theater seating can accommodate from 100 to 1,500 attendees, depending upon the selected space and the type and size of the presentation.

"We are pleased to be able to make access to the beautiful spaces at Mesa Arts Center available to organizations who might otherwise not have the opportunity to perform there. We encourage organizations who haven't previously applied to consider doing so, as we'd love to welcome them to Mesa Arts Center. The MAC Foundation is proud to offer a way for both established and grassroots arts organizations to inspire and celebrate with the community" said Dennis Kavanaugh, Arts at the Center committee chair.

An *Arts at the Center* Grant allows presenters to waive the facility's rental fee and receive up to \$1,000 in financial support to offset production costs.

Past grant recipients include Phoenix Boys Choir, Grey Box Collective, Ballet Folklorico Quetzalli, Alice Cooper's The Rock Teen Center-Proof is in the Pudding, The Arizona School for the Arts and Harmony Project

Applicants can download the application [here](#). Please email your Letter of Interest to: Natalie Booth, [azmacfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:azmacfoundation@gmail.com).

For more information about Mesa Arts Center Foundation and *Arts at the Center*, visit [mesaartscenter.com/foundation](http://mesaartscenter.com/foundation).

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### **ABOUT MESA ARTS CENTER FOUNDATION**

The mission of Mesa Arts Center is to invite all people to create and discover entertaining, challenging, and diverse art and arts experiences within joyous, dynamic, and welcoming environments. The non-profit Mesa Arts Center Foundation is a community-driven, volunteer-run fundraising organization for Mesa Arts Center. Mesa Arts Center Foundation's mission is to engage with Mesa Arts Center to support the arts through community advocacy, philanthropy and service. For more information, please visit [mesaartscenter.com/foundation](http://mesaartscenter.com/foundation).

### **ABOUT ARTS AT THE CENTER**

The mission of Arts at the Center is to foster broader community access to Mesa Arts Center ("MAC"), through annual targeted grants of free single-day use of MAC's world-class facilities, that will inspire participants, positively impact and connect the community, and excite the public to the value of the arts. We will provide MAC facilities and services to a variety of thoughtfully selected arts and educational groups, including: (a) groups without the necessary facilities to stage their cultural events; (ii) groups around the County and State that may not consider the MAC as a venue option; and (iii) specific arts groups that the Committee and MAC identify as desirable collaborators.

### **ABOUT MESA ARTS CENTER**

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning, international award-winning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries, and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons, and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions, and outstanding arts education classes. The facility is an architectural showpiece and a destination for visitors to the Phoenix area. Mesa Arts Center's mission is to invite all people to create and discover entertaining, challenging and diverse art and arts experiences within joyous, dynamic and welcoming environments. For more information, visit [mesaartscenter.com](http://mesaartscenter.com).