



ARTIST FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES - FY 2011

The Connecticut Commission on Culture & Tourism (CCT) Artist Fellowship program provides support designed to encourage the continuing development of Connecticut's finest creative artists who are committed to their art form and who have a demonstrated history of professional activity in the state. The program allows artists to create new work and further their careers.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Must be submitted through CCT's online portal at <https://ct.slideroom.com> by 11:59 PM on or before December 17, 2010

Only artists working in the following disciplines may apply to this cycle:

* *Applicants may only select only one category.*

- Choreography
- Fiction
- Film/Video
- Music Composition
- Playwriting
- Poetry

PROGRAM TIMELINE

Application Deadline	December 17, 2010
Award Notification	March / April, 2011
Funding Period	April 1, 2011 - March 31, 2012
Final Report Due	May 31, 2012

WHO MAY APPLY

Eligible Applicants:

- Artists who have lived and worked in Connecticut for a minimum of one year at the time of application and are current full-time residents of the state. All awards are subject to verification of Connecticut residency.
- Artists working in the appropriate disciplines as listed above.

Ineligible Applicants:

- Students currently enrolled full-time in degree-granting institutions.
- Recent non-resident graduates of a Connecticut degree granting institution who have not lived in the state one year after graduation.
- Prior fellowship recipients who have received an award within the past five years.
- Applicants who submit incomplete applications or which do not follow the appropriate format.
- Applications submitted after the date stated above.
- CCT Executive Director, Arts Division Director, Artist Fellowship Program Manager and members of their immediate families.
- Current CCT Visual Arts Fellow and Art in Public Spaces Fellow and members of their immediate families.

REVIEW PROCESS

- Application and work samples will be evaluated by a jury of arts professionals in the field based on a single criterion - artistic merit.
- The jury will recommend awards in the amounts of \$5,000 or \$2,500.
- There is no awards quota per discipline category.
- Funding recommendations will be presented to the CCT board for approval.

GRANTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Fellowship recipients are required to submit a financial and narrative report within 60 days after the funding period. Forms and instructions are available on CCT’s website or by request.
- Where appropriate, grantees are required to credit CCT in all print, audio, video, and publicity materials (press releases, brochures, advertisements, etc.).

HOW TO APPLY

Applications and materials must be submitted through CCT’s online portal at <https://ct.slideroom.com> by **11:59 PM on or before December 17, 2010**.

The online system provides a simple way to upload and manage application materials. The submission process allows applicants to edit and save their progress as often as needed. Once everything is submitted, applicants may view their completed submission in a read-only format, but no further changes can be made so carefully review your application prior to the final step. Applicants are able to view their submission materials in the same display format as seen by the panelists. CCT will only accept and review the information requested in the application.

A \$5 processing fee is required at the last step of the application process. This fee is collected by SlideRoom and is retained by them to help provide this online system and full technical support.

For technical assistance, please visit: <https://slideroom.zendesk.com> or email support@slideroom.com.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Legislative Information:

CCT will inform legislators about your grant. Please provide accurate information of the elected officials who are currently in office at the time of your submission. Please obtain this information from your town clerk or www.votesmart.org.

U.S. Representative’s Name _____ District # _____
 State Senator’s Name _____ District # _____
 State Representative’s Name _____ District # _____

Fellowship Statement:

Applicants must submit the following Fellowship Statement:

Please discuss the work samples you have submitted in this application and your current work. In addition, briefly touch on how the Fellowship will benefit your artistic development.

(The statement must not exceed 2,000 characters and is to be entered in a text box as part of the online application.)

Media:

Applicants may upload up to five (5) media files consisting of both a resume/bio and portfolio materials. See further requirements below.

Resume/Bio:

Applicants must submit a current resume and/or bio not to exceed one page in length. Resumes or bios must be saved as a PDF and uploaded as one of the media submissions.

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Portfolio Materials:

Applicants must submit at least one (1) and no more than four (4) media samples as specified below based on the category applying to.

- For artists applying in **Fiction, Playwriting, or Poetry**, submit a manuscript saved as a PDF not to exceed 10 MB. The manuscript must not exceed the following page lengths:
 - **Fiction:** 25 double-spaced pages maximum
 - **Playwriting:** A single play (complete or work-in-progress)
 - **Poetry:** 10 pages maximum
- For artists applying in **Film/Video:** submit video file(s) (.mov, .wmv, .flv) with the combined length not to exceed 10 minutes. Include title, date and a brief description for each video work submitted. Each file must not exceed 60 MB.
- For artists applying in **Music Composition:** submit audio file(s) (.mov, .wmv, .flv) with the combined length not to exceed 10 minutes. Include title, date and a brief description for each audio work submitted.

CONTACT

Questions about the application and support materials, please contact Tamara Dimitri at (860) 256-2720 or by e-mail at tamara.dimitri@ct.gov.

For technical support with the online process, please visit:
<https://slideroom.zendesk.com> or email support@slideroom.com.

Applicants must follow all instructions and provide accurate and complete information in all sections and supporting materials as stated in the guidelines. Failure to do so will render your application ineligible for review.