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**Montgomery County Arts & Cultural District to Hold Free Workshops for Organizations Interested in applying for Special Project Grants**

Montgomery County Arts & Cultural District (MCACD) kicks off its 2009-10 Special Project grant program, with free workshops for all applicants. The program awards \$140,000 annually for arts and cultural programs to non-profit organizations located in Montgomery County. Special Project grants provide support for one or a series of arts and cultural activities in performing, visual, media, literary and folk arts; festivals; artists' series; arts and cultural programs of PreK-12 schools; colleges and universities; cultural traditions, public art programs; and other community and neighborhood arts and cultural partnerships. MCACD will hold several free workshops covering the guidelines, application process and documentation required. Attend a free Grant Workshop hosted by the following locations at a time convenient for you:

**Special Project Guidelines**

Wednesday, May 6, 2009, Noon - 1:30 pm  
Dayton Cultural Center  
40 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd.  
Downtown Dayton

**Special Project Guidelines**

Tuesday, May 12, 2009, 5:30 – 7:00 pm  
Dayton Cultural Center  
40 S. Edwin C. Moses Blvd.  
Downtown Dayton

**Special Project Guidelines**

Saturday, May 23, 2009, 10:00 - Noon  
Dayton Metro Library Meeting Room  
215 E. Third Street  
Downtown Dayton

**Special Project Budgets**

Thursday, May 28, 2009, 5:30 - 7:00 pm  
Dayton Metro Library Meeting Room  
215 E. Third Street  
Downtown Dayton

**Special Project Budgets**

Saturday, May 30, 2008, 10:00 - 11:30am  
Dayton Metro Library Meeting Room  
215 E. Third Street  
Downtown Dayton

**Guideline Workshop:** Step-by-step walk through of the application with helpful hints to successfully complete the application.

**Budget Development Workshop:** Bring your budget work in-progress and receive specific feedback on the financial component of your application. Bring as much back-up documentation to support the numbers so you can update your work while in the workshop.

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New and repeat applicants are encouraged to attend. Information provided will include MCACD funding guidelines, the application itself (\$10,000 maximum grant), as well as specific information regarding policy changes for eligibility, restrictions, and additional documentation required. Draft applications are required for new applicants and repeat applicants unable to attend a grant workshop.

The deadline for the final application is July 1, 2009, with a draft deadline for first-time applicants of May 29, 2009. Projects must take place from November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010. Details, guidelines and application forms will be provided at the workshop. Registration is not necessary. Direct all questions to the MCACD Staff at 937-224-3850. Applications and other information can be found online at [www.mcoho.org/services/ced/art\\_cultural.html](http://www.mcoho.org/services/ced/art_cultural.html).

#### **ABOUT MONTGOMERY COUNTY ARTS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT**

*The Montgomery County Arts and Cultural District is a special purpose unit of government created under Ohio Law to provide support to arts and cultural organizations and individual artists within Montgomery County, Ohio. Currently, the District allocates approximately \$1 million annually to support the arts and cultural heritage of Montgomery County.*

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