

## **DSAC 2<sup>nd</sup> Wave Arts, Culture and Heritage Relief Grants**

### **GUIDELINES**

Aimed at providing short-term emergency support for the creative industries, this second window of DSAC Relief Funding is aimed at performing artists, heritage practitioners, technicians, sound engineers, roadies, and other support workers in the live performance industry, who have been affected by the shutdown of venues, festivals and other events as a result of the COVID-19 crisis. Creative industries working individuals who do not have a regular salary source, whose income has been severely interrupted or stopped, and who rely solely on their creative work as their source of income, are eligible to apply for a grant up to a maximum of R6 600, to be paid in three instalments during the period September to November 2020 if successful.

**1. The DSAC Relief Fund supports creative practitioners in South Africa who have been infected or affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, as per the criteria and processes outlined in points 2 to 4 below.**

#### **2. Criteria**

2.1. The DSAC Relief Fund will assist individuals in the arts, culture and heritage sectors.

2.2. Applicants must be:

2.2.1. practitioners in the performing artists, heritage practitioners, technicians, sound engineers, roadies, and other support workers in the live performance industry, who have been affected by the shutdown of venues, festivals and other events as a result of the COVID-19 crisis

2.2.2. creative industries' working individuals who do not have a regular salary source, whose income has been severely interrupted or stopped, and who rely solely on their creative work as their source of income.

2.3. Exclusions:

2.3.1. Applicants that are organisations, e.g. an NGO, NPI, NPC, (Pty) Ltd, etc.

2.3.2. Applicants who are permanent or fixed-term contracts employees. These will be considered on the Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme or may explore other relief interventions available to businesses and labour.

- 2.3.3. Applicants who do not rely solely on the income earned from participating in art, culture and heritage activities.
- 2.3.4. Applicants who benefitted in the first cycle of the Relief Fund of DSAC or its provincial counterparts, or any other government COVID-19 response support.
- 2.3.5. Group applications (choirs, bands, etc.).
- 2.3.6. Applicants in the fields of visual arts, craft and design. These can apply to the Department of Small Business Development.

### **3. What will be funded?**

- 3.1. Applicants can apply for a relief grant up to a maximum of R6 600, to be paid in three instalments during the period September to November 2020 if successful.

### **4. How does it work?**

- 4.1. All applications must be completed online

(<https://nac.praxisgms.co.za/xaLogin/NAC/reglogin.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fdefault.aspx>) OR through the WhatsApp number provided (087 153 1027).

- 4.1.1. NB: Once you have selected the platform on which you want to apply, please continue on this platform for the duration of your application and ensure you ONLY submit ONE application per person, as multiple or duplicate applications on one or both platforms may result in disqualification.

- 4.1.2. Ensure that all the required supporting documents are included in your application. If you do not provide all the information required by DSAC, your application will not be considered. State where information is not applicable to your application, by writing 'N/A' in the appropriate section on the application. Supporting documents required include:

- proof of income from arts, culture and heritage activities
- proof that you are an arts, culture and heritage practitioner
- proof of income in the arts, culture and heritage sector within the past 12 months, covering any period between March 2019 and end February 2020
- a certified copy of a South African identity document/Smart Card (do not submit a passport), which should be no older than three months' prior to the closing date
- proof of tax compliance and/or exemption – for instructions on how to request your Tax Compliance Status, visit

<https://www.sars.gov.za/ClientSegments/Individuals/TCS/Pages/How-to-request-your-TCS.aspx>.

- 4.2. Incomplete applications will not be processed.
- 4.3. Provide honest and accurate information. If you misrepresent any information, your application will be rejected.
- 4.4. In addition to the application and supporting documents, the DSAC may require further information from you. You will be contacted if further information is required.
- 4.5. Online applications must be completed before the closing date of 31 August 2020.
- 4.6. WhatsApp applications must be completed before the closing date of 2 September 2020.
- 4.7. If you complete your application by the closing date, you will receive an acknowledgement of submission. Late applications will NOT be considered.
- 4.8. Approved grant payments will be paid out once a month (R2 200 per month) for the three-month period.
- 4.9. If your application is successful, you will be sent a notification to inform you of the outcome of the Council's decision.