

## EAR Emergency Relief Fund GUIDELINES

### Fund Description:

EAR's Emergency Relief Fund provides assistance to visual artists residing in Calgary who are in urgent need due to an unforeseen medical emergency or other catastrophic event that impedes them from pursuing their artistic career.

A recipient may receive only one grant per year. Grants are made available to a maximum of \$2500. This amount will be based on available funds and will be dispersed at the discretion of the EAR review committee. Grants are limited to the applicant and are not to cover emergencies of the applicant's family members. The amount and kind of assistance provided depends on the assessment and particular circumstances of each application. All information received will remain strictly confidential.



Decisions for funding are based on the EAR fund's policies and information provided in the application, as well as supporting documentation, and will be reviewed by a multi-disciplinary assessment team. Not every applicant is guaranteed funding. We will do our best to review every application within a reasonable timeframe. It is important that applications be as complete and thorough as possible.

### Application Requirements:

The EAR Emergency grant is restricted to visual artists residing in the Calgary area.

Individuals must be **professional artists** as defined by the Canada Council:

To quote the Canada Council: A professional artist is someone who:

- has specialized training in the field (not necessarily in academic institutions)
- is recognized as a professional by his or her peers (artists working in the same artistic tradition)
- is committed to devoting more time to artistic activity, if possible financially
- has a history of public presentation in a professional context

### Support Material:

In addition to your CV and the personal reference required on the Application Form, each artist is asked to provide proof of their professional standing. Please provide: Up to 10 images of previous work as low-res JPEGs via email (or on one CD/DVD) **and/or** documentation of 3 public presentations in a professional context. NOTE that "proof of public presentations" may take the form of such items as programs, posters, or clippings, which may be scanned and attached).

### Submitting an Application:

[Complete the online application](#). If you are unable to complete the application online, please download and print this PDF and mail your application to Elephant Artist Relief, #14, 223 – 12 Avenue S.W. Calgary T2R 0G9.

### Application Adjudication:

- EAR Funding is limited. Please note that applicants that have not received assistance from EAR in the last 12 months will be given priority weighting in adjudication.

--You will be contacted by telephone in a timely manner as to the assessment committee's decision. Payment arrangements with successful clients will be discussed upon notification.

Contact EAR by email with any questions at [elephantartistrelief@gmail.com](mailto:elephantartistrelief@gmail.com)