



## Grant Agreement

Grant Number: 2026-0047678

THIS AGREEMENT, made by and between the ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL, an agency of the State of Illinois (hereinafter referred to as AGENCY) and

NAME: Lake County  
ATTN: Lisa Wolf  
ADDRESS: 18 N. County Street  
CITY: Waukegan, IL

(hereinafter referred to as GRANTEE).

The AGENCY and GRANTEE hereby agree as follows:

1. Upon execution of this contract, AGENCY agrees to make a lump sum grant payable to GRANTEE in the amount of **\$12,000.00** from State Funds for the following program (hereinafter referred to as PROJECT): **Creative Projects 2026 - Organization Application**,
2. All grant monies payable hereunder shall be expended by GRANTEE for PROJECT between **January 1, 2026** (beginning date) and **August 31, 2026** (ending date).

Additionally:

- (a) GRANTEE may expend grant monies for PROJECT expenses incurred between the beginning date above and the ending date of this AGREEMENT, as described in its application to the AGENCY.
- (b) GRANTEE agrees that all funds issued by AGENCY pursuant to this AGREEMENT shall be expended only for the specific project described herein.
- (c) If, for any reason, GRANTEE needs to extend the term of this AGREEMENT, application must be made in writing to the AGENCY prior to the above ending date of PROJECT. If no extension has been requested of, and approved by, the AGENCY, any monies payable hereunder remaining after the completion of the PROJECT, or after the date set forth above, must be returned to the AGENCY within 45 days.

3. GRANTEE agrees that credit shall be given AGENCY on all public notices, publicity, printed programs, public media, and other applicable material. The following language shall be used in

such notices:

**'This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council.'**

4. GRANTEE agrees to the following with respect to reports on this grant:

(a) To submit to AGENCY no later than thirty days after the ending date of PROJECT a Final Report consisting of Financial and Narrative components prepared according to instructions provided.

(b) To comply with any subsequent requirements which may be adopted by AGENCY with respect to grant reporting.

5. If the grant amount awarded in this contract is \$25,000 or above, GRANTEE agrees to the following: To submit to the AGENCY quarterly reports within thirty days after the end of each quarter, which describe the progress of the program, project, or use and the expenditure of the grant funds related thereto **Failure to submit timely and acceptable reports will jeopardize the receipt of future funds from AGENCY.**

6. The GRANTEE agrees to the following:

(a). to account for grant expenditures separately. If separate accounting is not feasible, all grant expenditures shall be properly identified in the records.

(b). to maintain books and records related to the performance of the contract and necessary to support amounts charged to the State under the contract for a minimum of three (3) years from the last action on the contract. GRANTEE further agrees to cooperate fully with any audit and to make the books and records available to the Auditor General, chief procurement officer, internal auditor, the purchase agency and Attorney General.

(c). upon request, to make available to AGENCY and the General Assembly of the State of Illinois all audited and unaudited financial statements for each year in which a grant was received from AGENCY. AGENCY shall have unlimited access to the accounts, books, records, and other financial documents of GRANTEE supporting information stated in GRANTEE'S application for AGENCY funds or any subsequent documentation regarding PROJECT funded hereunder.

7. Any and all patents, copyrights, or other legal interests in and to PROJECT, or materials generated in pursuance of PROJECT, shall be the sole and exclusive property of GRANTEE or GRANTEE'S design. GRANTEE, however, agrees to supply AGENCY with access to publicity or related activities contemplated hereunder, and hereby grants to AGENCY free and unlimited license to use such information for such purpose as AGENCY, in its sole discretion, shall determine.

8. GRANTEE agrees that no monies payable hereunder shall be used for the purchase of

permanent equipment, capital improvements or construction, to pay balance of GRANTEE'S previous year's deficit, out-of-state touring, or subsidizing an individual's academic study.

9. GRANTEE agrees that it is illegal for anyone receiving assistance from the Illinois Arts Council to discriminate unlawfully on the basis of, including but not limited to, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, sexual harassment, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, disability, age, order of protection status, marital status, arrest record, military status, unfavorable discharge from military service, pregnancy, and retaliation, while otherwise qualified, be excluded from participation in, be denied benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to unlawful discrimination under any program or activity supported in whole or in part by funds provided hereunder.

10. If funds provided hereunder are used in whole or in part for employment of any person, GRANTEE further agrees that no person shall be unlawfully discriminated against on the basis of, including but not limited to, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, sexual harassment, national origin, ancestry, citizenship status, disability, age, order of protection status, marital status, arrest record, military status, unfavorable discharge from military service, pregnancy, and retaliation, while otherwise qualified, be denied equal opportunity in the hiring process, or be otherwise unlawfully discriminated against with respect to compensation, terms, conditions, or benefits of employment.

11. GRANTEE agrees that it shall fully comply with all rules, regulations, and other requirements now existing or which may hereafter be adopted by AGENCY with respect to GRANTS of this nature.

12. Obligations of the State will cease immediately without penalty of further payment being required if in any fiscal year the Illinois General Assembly fails to appropriate or otherwise make available sufficient funds for this agreement.

13. 30 ILCS 705/10 requires all interest earned on grant funds held by GRANTEE to become part of the grant principal when earned and be treated accordingly for all purposes. If the cost of accounting for the interest or allocating the interest to principal is significant in terms of the amount of interest received, then the interest earned on grant funds may be retained by GRANTEE. Interest earned on grant funds, held by GRANTEE after the expiration of the grant, becomes part of the principal and is subject to recovery under 30 ILCS 705/4.

14. GRANTEE certifies under oath that:

(a). It is not barred from being awarded a contract under 30 ILCS 500/50-5. Section 50-5 prohibits a grantee from entering into a contract with a State agency if the grantee has been

convicted of bribery or attempting to bribe an officer or employee of the State of Illinois, or if the grantee has made an admission of guilt of such conduct which is a matter of record. The grantee further acknowledges that the chief procurement officer may declare the related contract void if this certification is false.

(b). It is not barred from being awarded a contract under 30 ILCS 500/50-10.5. Section 50-10.5 prohibits a grantee from entering into a contract with a State agency if the grantee, or any officer, director, partner, or other managerial agent of grantee has been convicted of within the last 5 years of a felony under the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 or a Class 3 or Class 2 felony under the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 or if the grantee is in violation of Subsection (e). The grantee further acknowledges that the chief procurement officer may declare the related contract void if this certification is false.

(c). It is not a trustee or beneficiary of a land trust.

(d). It will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance in the performance of the contract. If employing 25 or more employees and this contract is worth more than \$5,000, it will provide a drug free workplace pursuant to the Drug Free Workplace Act.

(e). It and any affiliate, is not barred from being awarded a contract under 30 ILCS 500/50-aa. Section 50-11 prohibits a grantee from entering into a contract with a State agency if the grantee knows or should know that it, or any affiliate, is delinquent in the payment of any debt to the State as defined by the Debt Collection Board. The grantee further acknowledges that the chief procurement officer may declare the related contract void if this certification is false.

(f). It is not barred from being awarded a contract under 30 ILCS 500/50-14. Section 50-14 prohibits a grantee from entering into a contract with a State agency if the grantee has been found by a court or the Pollution Control Board to have committed a willful or knowing violation of the Environmental Protection Act within the last 5 years. The grantee further acknowledges that the contracting State agency may declare the related contract void if this certification is false.

(g). All professional performers and related or supporting personnel so employed shall receive not less than the prevailing minimum compensation as determined by the Secretary of Labor. Labor standards are set out in 29 CFR Part 505 'Labor Standards on Projects or Productions Assisted by Grants from the National Endowment for the Arts and Humanities.' Copies of this regulation may be obtained by writing to the Grants Office, National Endowment for the Arts, Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506-0001.

(h). No part of any project or production will be performed or engaged in under working conditions which are unsanitary or hazardous or dangerous to the health and safety of the employees so engaged. Compliance with the safety and sanitary laws of the State in which the performance or part thereof is to take place shall be *prima facie* evidence of compliance.

(i). Grantee is not now suspended or debarred from Federal sponsorship of grant funding. Suspension of a grant is an action by a Federal sponsoring agency that temporarily suspends Federal sponsorship of the grant pending corrective action by the recipient or pending a decision to terminate the grant by the Federal sponsoring agency. Termination of a grant means the cancellation of Federal assistance, in whole or in part, at any time prior to the date of completion. If you or your organization is suspended or debarred by one Federal agency, you are suspended or debarred by all Federal agencies.

(j). Grantee certifies that it has not retained a person or entity to attempt to influence the application process for compensation contingent in whole or in part upon the decision as per 30 ILCS 500/50-38.

(k). All information in this grant agreement is true and correct to the best of the grantee's knowledge, information, and belief; that the funds shall be used only for the purposes described in the grant agreement; and that the award of grant funds is conditioned upon such certification.

15. As part of each grant agreement, GRANTEE acknowledges and agrees that should they provide false information, or fail to be or remain in compliance with the Standard Certification requirements, one or more of the following sanctions will apply: the contract may be void by operation of law, the State may void the contract, and the grantee may be subject to one or more of the following: suspension, debarment, denial of payment, civil fine, or criminal penalty. Identifying a sanction or failing to identify a sanction in relation to any of the specific certifications does not waive imposition of other sanctions or preclude application of sanctions not specifically identified.

ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL:  
For Joshua Davis-Ruperto

by *Pius Zacharias*  
12/19/2025 03:41PM UTC

**Joshua Davis-Ruperto**

GRANTEE:  
Lake County  
**Grantee Name**  
by *Lisa Wolf*  
**Signature of Authorizing Official**

**Executive Director**  
**By Pius Zacharias**  
**Director of Grants Management**

Lisa Wolf  
**Name of Authorizing Official**  
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ILLINOIS ARTS COUNCIL

**Legal Status Disclosure Certificate**

In reference to Grant Number 2026-0047678 for Lake County, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien).

Name: Lake County

Social Security Number:

or

Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN): 36-6006600

(If you are an individual, enter your name and SSN as it appears on your Social Security Card. If completing this certification for a sole proprietorship, enter the owner's name followed by the name of the business and the owner's SSN or FEIN. For all other entities, enter the name of the entity as used to apply for the entity's FEIN and the FEIN.)

Legal Status (check one):

Individual

Governmental

Sole Proprietor

Nonresident alien

Partnership/Legal Corporation

Estate or trust

Tax-exempt 501(c)(3)

Pharmacy (Non-corp)

Corporation providing or  
billing medical and/or health  
services

Pharmacy/Funeral  
Home/Cemetery (Corp.)

Corporation NOT Providing  
medical and/or health services

Other:   

Limited Liability  
Company (select  
applicable tax  
classification)  
D = disregarded entity

C = corporation

P = partnership

Signature: *Lisa Wolf*

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Lisa Wolf

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