OPEN SPACES PROGRAM

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The Kenneth Rainin Foundation enhances quality of life by championing the arts, promoting early childhood literacy and supporting research to cure chorionic disease.
Arts Program Brief Overview

- SFFILM-Rainin Grants
- Rainin Arts Fellowship
- New & Experimental Works (NEW) Program
- Open Spaces
What is Temporary Public Art?

- Public art is broadly defined
- Projects may embody many multidisciplinary approaches
- Temporary (aka not a permanent mural)
- Community-engaged work
Open Spaces Priorities

- Visionary and timely projects
- Advancing artistic practice
- Community engagement & relevance
- Leveraging public resources and cultural assets
- Mutually beneficial partnerships
- Temporary projects
Open Spaces Grant Tracks

Not sure which grant track is the best fit for your project? Check out our FAQ’s.

Development Support Grants for early-stage project planning, R&D.

Production Support Grants for the execution of temporary public art projects of scale and limited duration.
Open Spaces Grantee Project: Temescal Roots Project

- 2022 Development Support grantee
- Early stage project
- Focus on concept research and community engagement activities
Open Spaces Grantee Project: Mutual Air

Rosten Woo
Artist, Designer and Writer
Program Information

- Program Deadlines
- Eligibility
- Priorities
- Qualified Projects
- Criteria
Program Deadlines & Key Info

- **Stage One Application**
  Period: May 13 - June 10

- **Stage Two Full Proposal**
  Period (by invitation): July 15 – August 12

- **Awards Announced:**
  December 2024

- **Grant Period:**
  January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2026
  (projects must have a premiere date after January 1, 2025)

- **Grant Range**
  - Development Support - $15,000-$20,000.
  - Production Support - $100,000-$175,000

- **Project Locations:** Oakland and/or San Francisco

- **Applications** must be submitted via the Foundation’s online system
Open Spaces Eligibility

- **Lead applicants:** Bay Area artists, artist collectives, nonprofits

- **Partners:** Bay Area artists, artist collectives, nonprofits, fiscal sponsors

- Compensating artists at a significant level (1/3 must go to artists and direct expenses for creating the work)

- 2022 Open Spaces Production Support grantees are not eligible. 2022 Development Support grantees are eligible
Evaluation Criteria

- Mutually Beneficial Partnership
- Effective project management
- Timeliness
- Place-based
- Community engagement
- Rigor
- Innovation
- Production Support: track record & readiness
Evaluation Process

- Stage One: reviewed internally by Arts Program Staff
- Stage Two: Invited Applicants
- Feedback
Stage One Application

- Eligibility Quiz
- Common App Questions
- Artist / Artist Collective / Organizational Info
- Project Support Info
- Project Budget Info
Stage One Application Tips

- Articulate why your project is **ambitious** and boundary pushing.

- Tell us: why this project now?

- Explain your relationship with the community served by this project. How will they **engage in and with** the project?

- Tell us about your project team and partnership. Why is this group suited to make this project together?
Eligibility Questions

Open Spaces Program Eligibility Quiz

Before taking the eligibility quiz, please read the recently updated Open Spaces guidelines and FAQs. You can review them on the next page or head over to our website.

START →

You’ll need to complete the eligibility quiz to gain access to the application portal.
Logging in

NEW USERS
Follow the link to create and activate your account.

RETURNING USERS
Use your current credentials. If you don’t remember them, just reach out!

2024 Open Spaces Round One Application | Development Track

Development Support Grants of $15,000-$20,000 fund projects in their initial stages over a 24-month grant period. In addition to the grant amount, grantees receive support to document their project and will be paired with an experienced public art advisor for the project's duration. Development Support Grants fund the research, design and planning phases of a large scale, temporary public art project. Projects must feature a partnership and include community engagement activities to be competitive for funding. Note: being awarded a Development Support Grant does not guarantee receiving a Production Support Grant in a future year, however, it sets the stage for a strong Production Support Grant application.
Open Spaces Resources

- Guidelines
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Eligibility Quiz

- Sign up for Office Hours
- Email me: arts@krfoundation.org
More Resources

- **Articles:**
  - In/With/For The Public
  - How Public Art Exposed Class Tensions in San Francisco

- **Past Grant Recipients:**
  - Check out our [website](#)

- **KRF YouTube:**
  - [Visionary Public Art playlist](#)

- **KRF Blog**
  - Search “Open Spaces”

- **Public Art Network resources**
  - [Forecast](#) nonprofit founded for and by artists working in public space (based in Saint Paul, MN)
  - [Public Art Archive](#) online database of completed public artworks throughout US and abroad
  - Americans for the Arts [Public Art Network](#)
  - Municipal Artist Partnerships [tools & resources](#)
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