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From: Deborah R. Presson, City Clerk & Elections Official

530-896-7250

### **PRESS RELEASE**

The City of Chico and the City of Chico Arts Commission are pleased to announce that the 2026/2027 Arts and Culture Grant applications are now available.

The City of Chico allocates 1% of the Transient Occupancy Tax or “Hotel/Motel Tax” to be earmarked for funding of not-for profit arts and cultural organizations within the City.

The purpose of the City of Chico Arts and Culture Grant Program is to support Chico Arts Organizations and Artists so that they may make quality arts and cultural work, performances, and exhibitions available and accessible to members of the Chico community.

#### **Eligibility**

- Nonprofit 501 (c)(3) arts & cultural organizations
- Operating within the City of Chico
- Two-year history of producing or presenting
- Individual artists are only eligible if applying under the sponsorship of a 501 (c) (3), not-for-profit that meets the other eligibility requirements.

The minimum award that may be requested is \$2,000 and the maximum award is \$5,000. Matching funds are required to receive all awards.

The Arts Commission will host a grant application Q&A session on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm on the third floor of the Municipal Center. Please RSVP to the City Clerk’s Office at 530-896-7250 or [cityclerk@chicoca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@chicoca.gov) .

Grant Application Deadline – 5:00 p.m. Friday, June 19, 2026

The grant requirements and application are available through City of Chico by emailing [cityclerk@chicoca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@chicoca.gov)