Dear friends,

A change of season has certainly brought on significant shifts and developments in our landscape, from an upcoming, critical election—with new and nuanced voting options due to the pandemic—to the announcement of a significant opportunity for the folk and traditional arts field by the National Endowment for the Arts. Here at NCTA, we are committed to making sure all these opportunities and updates are shared with you and with as many creative voices as possible.

Artists, culture bearers, and practitioners are the heart of our work, offering direct connections to our communities' histories, stories, and voices. Through your work and platforms, you capture the realities and experiences of our past and present, and our hopes for the future. It is our goal to ensure that we not only amplify the purpose of your voice, but also help to expand and enrich the message that your voices share.

Vote. Stay informed. Raise your volume.

Thank you,
National Council for the Traditional Arts
Resource Alerts: Resilience, Reframing, Actions (RARRA) shares various funding opportunities, new resources and tools to help support the NCTA community during the COVID-19 crisis. Daily posts of new and timely resources are shared on the NCTA's Facebook and Twitter pages. Please subscribe to these for regular Resource Alerts.

Our newsletter lists some of the most compelling resources and key highlights for the upcoming month.

### Highlighted Resources

**Alternate Roots Solidarity 2.0**

Alternate Roots' support resource for artists and organizations in Arkansas, Kentucky, Virginia, and West Virginia returns for a second cycle. Grants, ranging from $500-$5,000 for artists and $5,000-$20,000 for organizations, are accepted on a rolling basis in the fall. The next deadline is **November 6**.

[More here](#)

**The Awesome Foundation**

The Awesome Foundation, a global initiative of private giving opportunities in numerous cities worldwide, offers $1,000 grants for artists and creative makers with fresh ideas for their communities.

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**Puerto Rico’s Department of Business and Commerce**

Starting **October 5**, members of the island’s creative sector can apply for $1,000 grants from the Department of Business and Commerce.

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The National Endowment for the Arts Announces the National Folklife Network

Earlier this month, the NEA announced the rolling out of a National Folklife Network, an initiative that invests $1,000,000 into the Folk and Traditional Arts Field, specifically to develop infrastructure in areas where demonstrated gaps in the field have been found. Visit the NEA website to read the full Request for Proposals to organizations interested in administering the initiative.

More here

Art Equity's BIPOC Surviving Predominantly White Institutions Series

Art Equity has designed a series of online discussions and gatherings. Sessions have been weekly since October 14, but registration is still open for the remaining discussions in November.

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Helpful Resource Libraries

Vote.org

It's nearing that time to vote. Make your voice heard.

This year voting takes on a different approach because of the pandemic. To ensure you can find your way to the polls—whether it's early, online, or in person—visit the website for details.

More here

Black Arts & Cultural Funding and Justice Resource Hub

The Black Arts & Cultural Funding and Justice Resource Hub
Resource Hub has created a hub to amplify funds and resources specifically for BIPOC communities and leadership.

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While At Home

While At Home offers a list of ongoing grants and other opportunities for creatives and freelancers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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The National Council for the Traditional Arts maintains the Resource Alert: Resilience, Reframing, Actions social media and email campaign. To share a resource with us, please email support@ncta-usa.org.

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