

Cultural Council

The Mass Cultural Council is a state agency that promotes excellence, inclusion, education, and diversity in the arts, humanities, and sciences, fosters a rich cultural life for all Massachusetts residents, and contributes to the **vitality** of our communities and economy.

The Council pursues this mission through a wide range of grants, initiatives, and advocacy for artists, communities, organizations, and schools.

In all its forms, culture is essential to the health and vitality of the Commonwealth.

The Sandisfield Cultural Council has established the following:

Mission: to broaden and enhance the cultural life available to the town of Sandisfield and its residents. The council will encourage and promote all forms of cultural activities. The council will act as a bridge connecting the arts, business, government and educational institutions and help support communication and cooperation in our community.

Vision: the cultural council will serve as an advocate for the public by encouraging efforts within the local community and educating policy makers about the benefits of the arts.

Priorities: the following priorities will be considered when reviewing applications:

The venue should reach a large group in the community.

School children and activities related to learning are a high priority.

Local presenters dealing with the arts, humanities and science are encouraged.

Sandisfield Cultural Council will be accepting applications for grants to be awarded in January 2020.

Grant applications are to be filed **ON-LINE ONLY** and will be available beginning on September 1, 2019; deadline for application filing is October 15, 2019.

All council programs are available online at www.mass-culture.org.

Local Members who participate include Rosanne Carinci-Hoekstra, Rosanne Skrip, Connie Canty, Billie Pachulski, Jennifer Salzano-Hibbard, Ellen Croibier and John Skrip.