



Live Arts Boston Eligibility Quiz

Welcome! Please take the following quiz to determine your eligibility for the LAB grant.

Are you applying to LAB as an:

- Individuals/Groups of Artists
- Organizations

-- -- -- Individuals/Groups of Artists -- -- --

The primary applicant applying on behalf of the group would take this quiz since only they need to meet all eligibility requirements.

*Age of Eighteen

I am over the age of 18.

- True
- False

*Arts Professional

I am an artist or arts professional, i.e., someone who has devoted significant time and training to build a career creating, interpreting, presenting or producing works of art.

- True
- False

*Professional Work History

I have had at least a two-year history of creating and/or presenting professional-level work outside of an academic context.

- True
- False

*Full Time Student

I, as the primary applicant, will NOT be a full-time student (graduate or undergraduate) in the 2024-2025 academic year.

- True
- False

*Project Presentation Plans for Public

I am applying for a project that I have plans to present to the public (either as a finished work or in progress) between December 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

- True
- False

*** Not for Film Project**

I am NOT applying for a project that is predominantly a film or visual arts project.

- True
- False

***Project Focus**

My project is NOT primarily focused on arts education or primarily involves youth.

- True
- False

***No Live Arts Boston Grant**

I have NOT received a Live Arts Boston Grant in the last two calendar years.

- True
- False

*** No Individual Grant Application**

I, as (if applying as the primary applicant for my group), am NOT also applying for a grant as an individual.

- True
- False

*** Time Commitment**

If selected, I CAN and WILL participate in the full 18-month Grant Cycle.

- True
- False

--- -- Organizations --- --

Instructions, Organizations:

The Boston Foundation welcomes LAB applications from collaborators and organizations. A “collaborator” is a co-owner of a project and provides creative input. Groups and collaborators should identify one individual as the primary applicant and submit a single application. It is NOT required that all collaborators or group members meet the eligibility requirements that apply to individual artist applicants; however, the primary applicant must meet ALL of the eligibility requirements. If you are applying on behalf of an organization, it is understood that the primary applicant will move through this grant cycle to bring back their learnings and growth to serve the organization.

***Age of Eighteen**

I am over the age of 18.

- True
- False

*** Non-Profit Status**

My organization or collective has non-profit status or fiscal sponsorship.

- True
- False

*** Budget**

My non-profit performing arts organization has a budget of less than \$450,000.

- True
- False

*** Full Time Student**

I, as the primary applicant, will NOT be a full-time student (graduate or undergraduate) in the 2024-2025 academic year.

- True
- False

*** Project Presentation Plans for Public**

We are applying for a project that we have plans to present to the public (either as a finished work or in progress) between December 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

- True
- False

*** Not for Film Project**

We are NOT applying for a project that is predominantly a film or visual arts project.

- True
- False

*** Project Focus**

Our project is NOT primarily focused on arts education or primarily involves youth.

- True
- False

*** No Live Arts Boston Grant**

My organization/collective has NOT received a Live Arts Boston Grant in the last two calendar years.

- True
- False

*** No Individual Grant Application**

I, as (if applying as the primary applicant for my group), am NOT also applying for a grant as an individual.

- True
- False

*** Time Commitment**

If selected, I CAN and WILL participate in the full 18-month Grant Cycle.

- True
- False

-- -- -- Eligibility Results -- -- --

If all answers are correct (meaning the applicant selects the response “TRUE” in every case), the applicant receives this message.

Eligible to Apply:

Congratulations! You are eligible to apply!

Based on your answers, you are eligible to apply for the Live Arts Boston grant! More information around LAB’s eligibility requirements and how to apply is available [here](#). To create your account and begin your application, [click here](#).

NOT Eligible to Apply:

We're sorry! Based on your answers, it appears that you are ineligible and do not meet our guideline requirements. See below for possible ineligibility and go to our website for a full list of eligibility requirements. For questions, contact the LAB team at LAB@tbf.org.

If you answered “false” to “I/we am/are applying for a project that I/we have plans to present to the public (either as a finished work or in progress) between December 1, 2025 and June 30, 2026.”

-All LAB-funded projects must be available to Boston and Greater Boston audiences to be seen/experienced in some form during the grant period indicated (December 1, 2025 until June 30, 2026). We cannot support projects that have finished before the grant period begins.

If you replied “false” to “I/we am/are NOT applying for a project that is predominantly a film or visual arts project.”

-LAB grants do not support stand-alone media, visual or film projects. Each of these areas may be components of a project, but the majority of the work must align with the following disciplines: dance, theater, music, opera/musical theater, spoken word, performance art, circus arts, traditional and folk performing arts, and any combination of these.

If you answered “false” to “My/our project is NOT primarily focused on arts education or primarily involves youth.”

-A requirement of the LAB program is that core artistic members of the project must be professional artists over the age of 18. We define a professional artist as someone who has devoted significant time and training to build a career creating, interpreting, presenting, and/or producing works of art. An individual or group comprised of professional artists may perform for younger audiences, and youth can be included in grant-funded performances (for example, in the case of a children’s choir taking part in a larger production). However, projects primarily focused on teaching arts and/or youth work are not eligible for LAB funding.

If you answered “False” to “I am over the age of 18.”

-All applicants must be at least 18 years old to apply for a LAB grant.

If you answered “false” to “I, as the primary applicant, will NOT be a full-time student (graduate or undergraduate) in the 2024-2025 academic year.”

-If you, as the primary applicant, will be enrolled as a full-time student (graduate or undergraduate) in the 2024-2025 academic year, you are ineligible to apply for a grant.

If you answered “false” to “My organization is a non-profit with a primary mission in performing arts.”

-Only organizations whose PRIMARY mission is focused on arts and culture may apply for a LAB grant.

If you answered “false” to “My non-profit performing arts organization has a budget of less than \$450,000.”

-LAB grants only support organizations with annual operating budgets of \$450,000 or less during the organization's most recently completed fiscal year.

If you answered "false" to "I/we have NOT received a Live Arts Boston Grant in the last two calendar years."

- Grantees who receive LAB funding for two years in a row are required to take a year off before re-applying. For example, a grantee who received funding in 2022 and 2023 would not be eligible to apply in 2024 but could reapply in 2026.