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OSPR Announcements

FY09 Fringe Rates Announced

Office of Sponsored Programs and Research
Controller's Office

The Fringe Rates for Fiscal Year 2009 have been announced. Please use these percentages when calculating the various employee fringe benefit amounts in your grant budget(s):

Full-time/academic year (non-federal)	33.50%
Full time/academic year (federal)	32.30%
Part-time/summer faculty	19.30%
Student Employees	5.35%

Doctoral Dissertation Research Expense Award Program (DDREAP)

University Research Council

Deadline: May 2, 2008 (due in OSPR by 5PM)

URL: <http://www.csuohio.edu/research/internal.html>

The University Research Council is pleased to announce the availability of funding to support specific doctoral student dissertation research expenses. Awards are made competitively to doctoral students to pursue dissertation research. Support is not available from the University Research Council for master's thesis research or alternative exit projects. The guidelines for the program can be found at the above URL. Deans and heads of doctoral programs are urged to distribute this announcement to their doctoral candidates.

Please note that the due date for submission to the Doctoral Program Director is **May 2, 2008**; the due date to the Office of Sponsored Programs and Research is May 8, 2008, by 5 pm.

NIH Public Access Policy to Published Articles

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Important Links:

Policy URL: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov>

The Full Announcement: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-08-033.html>

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PubMed Information: <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov/>

Policy Training Programs URL: <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/communications.htm>

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- Submit to PubMed Central an electronic version of every peer-reviewed article once the article(s) is accepted for publication.

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Grants.gov Help Pages

Grants.gov is a sometimes difficult system to use but as time goes on it is making headway in terms of service. One of the most notable changes to this massive portal is the Help section. A page that you may find particularly helpful is one that describes other grant sources, resources for individuals, and grants management resources -- as well as many other useful links. You can access this page at <http://www.grants.gov/help/relatedlinks.jsp>.

Did you know that you can receive alerts to you email account from Grants.gov - tailored to your research interests? You can by going to <http://www.grants.gov/> and selecting "Grant Email Alerts" from the *Quick Links* box on the right side of the page.

Once on the Email Alerts Page, read the selections carefully; you can sign up for any and all of the options offered, depending on your needs and interests. But if you want to receive notices related to your research, you can do so by clicking on "Notices Based on Advanced Criteria" and following directions.

Federal Grant-Maker Announcements

Changes at HUD

Department of Housing and Urban Development (www.hud.gov)

In advance of the announcement of the new SuperNOFA (Super Notice of Funding Availability), the agency has released the notice of changes that will apply to the FY2008 program. HUD is joining the other 25 federal funding agencies in the move to Grants.gov which means that anyone applying for an HUD grant will have to do so at the Grants.gov portal. HUD will follow the move to Adobe on the Grants.gov site. Potential applicants are cautioned that the must use Adobe and that they must use the correct *version* of Adobe (8.1.2) – or risk having their application rejected. HUD says the forms are compatible with the Microsoft Windows Vista operating system, Apple Macintosh computers and Microsoft Office 2007. While HUD urges the use of Adobe 8.1.2, users are cautioned that they must comply with Grants.gov requirements and use “the latest compatible version available.” To review Grants.gov requirements, visit the portal: www.grants.gov.

Important Guidance for Application Cover Letter

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (www.nccam.nih.gov)

URL: <http://nccam.nih.gov/research/appcletter.htm>

Applicants who believe their application should be assigned to NCCAM for potential funding should state so in the cover letter of their application, especially for FOAs with multiple sponsors. Applicants who have discussed their application with an NCCAM Program Officer should indicate that they have done so in the cover letter, and provide the name of the Program Officer.

NIH moves closer to new grantmaking process

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Story was taken from Federal Grants & Contracts Weekly, February 28, 2008, Vol. 32, No. 10

URL: <http://enhancing-peer-review.nih.gov>

The National Institutes of Health last week moved closer to revamping its grantmaking process as officials zeroed in on the major kinks in the system and outlined coordinated approaches to correcting them.

The effort is aimed at adapting NIH's increasingly burdened peer review system – long seen as the gold standard in judging the best research – to rapid changes in the biomedical and behavioral sciences and demands for funding. NIH estimates receiving 80,000 applications this year.

A major concern is the ability to nurture new investigators to ensure the future biomedical and behavioral science workforce. Success rates for new investigators are lower than those for established scientists at every stage of the application process for research project grants.

Addressing those issues, a key working group summarized the challenges in a draft report. NIH needs to:

- Reduce the administrative burden of applicants, reviewers and NIH staff (by reducing the number of applications);
- Enhance the rating system (to highlight priority criteria);
- Enhance review and reviewer quality (to focus on proposal impact and innovation);
- Optimize support at different career stages and types (to enhance support for new investigators and enable greater productivity of established scientists);
- Optimize support for different types and approaches of science (to foster transformative research);
- Reduce the stresses on the support system of science (to ensure best use of NIH resources);
- Provide for continuous review of peer review.

Recommendations to meet the challenges range from shortening applications to using “prebuttals” to allow applicants to correct factual errors prior to review (see page 8). NIH said it will assemble an implementation team four to six weeks following finalization of the draft report to plan pilot testing recommendations.

Grantees may see a return to cost-sharing at NSF

National Science Foundation (www.nsf.gov)

Story was taken from Federal Grants & Contracts Weekly, February 21, 2008, Vol. 32, No. 9

URL: http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/publications/2008/rprt_congress_cs_policy.pdf

The National Science Board has recommended that the National Science Foundation return to requiring grantee cost-sharing under certain programs.

In the first of two reports requested by Congress, the NSB, NSF's policy arm, said NSF should selectively reinstate mandatory cost-sharing. The board said the decision to

eliminate the practice agency-wide in 2004 had unintended consequences and undermined program goals.

The activities in question include: the Engineering Research Centers program; the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research; and the Industry/University Cooperative Research Centers program.

These programs call for building regional, state or institutional capacity; creating partnerships with industry; and promoting sustainability of activities beyond the grant. Those features are increasingly important in light of the current emphasis on scientific and economic competitiveness.

But the board said removal of cost-sharing “virtually eliminated the incentive for participation by industry” and hampered the ability of the programs to meet their goals.

NSF banned cost-sharing due to concerns that the practice was biasing award decisions and interfering with objective review of applications on the basis of scientific merit. Grantees complained that cost-sharing unfairly discriminated against less well-heeled institutions.

NSB conceded that cost-sharing “presents significant challenges,” not the least “efforts to broaden participation in science in federally sponsored research are hindered.” Nevertheless, NSB urged NSF to investigate ways to foster industrial participation features; define and communicate principles to guide cost-sharing; and train program officers “to avoid unintended implicit or explicit requests for voluntary cost-sharing...during the budget negotiation process.” A more comprehensive report will be issued later this year.

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Federal Grants

RTA Calls for Artists (Local Grant)

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) (www.gcrtc.org)
Woodhill RTA Station

Deadline: April 30, 2008 by 4PM

Notice URL: http://www1.gcrtc.org/pdf/Contracts/3-2008_WoodhillPublicArt.pdf

Application URL:

http://www1.gcrtc.org/bc_contractopps_SolicitationsDetail.ASP?listingid=555

RTA has sent out a call for artists for proposals regarding a public art installation to be included in the renovation of the Woodhill RTA Station. Sealed proposals will be accepted by the above deadline. The project description and guidelines can be downloaded at the above URL or by going to www.riderta.com and selecting Business Center and then Contract Opportunities, and then under Public Art Solicitation 3-2008.

Contact:

The Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority
 Executive Department, 5th Floor
 1240 West Sixth Street
 Cleveland, Ohio 44113-1331
 Attn: Teresa Burrage

Centers of Excellence in Genomics Science (CEGS) (P50)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Release Date: February 22, 2008

Letters of Intent Receipt Date(s): April 25, 2008; April 25, 2009; April 25, 2010

Application Receipt Date(s): May 25, 2008; May 25, 2009; May 25, 2010

Peer Review Date(s): October-November 2009, 2010, 2011

Council Review Date(s): January 2009, 2010, 2011
Earliest Anticipated Start Date: April 2009, 2010, 2011
Expiration Date: May 26, 2010
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/par-08-094.html>

The Centers of Excellence in Genomic Sciences (CEGS) program establishes academic Centers for advanced genome research. Each CEGS grant supports a multi-investigator, interdisciplinary team to develop innovative genomic approaches to address a particular biological problem. A CEGS project will address a critical issue in genomic science, proposing a solution that would be a very substantial advance. Thus, the research conducted at these Centers will entail substantial risk, balanced by outstanding scientific and management plans and very high potential payoff. A CEGS will focus on the development of novel technological or computational methods for the production or analysis of comprehensive data sets, or on a particular genome-scale biological problem, or on other ways to develop and use genomic approaches for understanding biological systems. Exploiting its outstanding scientific plan and team, each CEGS will nurture genomic science at its institution by facilitating the interaction of investigators from different disciplines, and by providing training of new investigators will expand the pool of professional genomics scientists and engineers.

For additional information and application procedures, use the URL link above.

Nanotechnology Undergraduate in Education (NIE) in Engineering

National Science Foundation (www.nsf.gov)

Deadline: May 14, 2008
Award: Up to 10 Awards totaling \$1.9 M. Each award will be a maximum of \$200,000 for 2 years
Funding Opportunity Number: NSF-08-544
URL: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2008/nsf08544/nsf08544.htm>

This solicitation aims at introducing nanoscale science, engineering, and technology through a variety of interdisciplinary approaches into undergraduate engineering education. The focus of this year's competition is on nanoscale engineering education with relevance to devices and systems and/or on the societal, ethical, economic and/or environmental issues relevant to nanotechnology.

Related funding opportunities are posted on www.nsf.gov/nano. Research and education projects in nanoscale science and engineering will continue to be supported in the relevant NSF programs and divisions.

For additional information, including application procedures, use the URL link above.

Biomarkers for Older Controls at Risk for Dementia (BIOCARD) Study Extension (U01) Grant

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)
Department of Health and Human Services (www.dhhs.gov)

Deadline: June 11, 2008

Award: 1 Award of \$1.5M
Funding Opportunity Number: RFA-AG-09-002
URL: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=true&oppld=17258>

The purpose of this announcement is to solicit U01 cooperative agreement applications that will extend the clinical and neuropsychological follow-up of individuals who have been enrolled in the Biomarkers for Older Controls at Risk for Dementia (BIOCARD) Study. - Mechanism of Support. This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will utilize the U01 grant mechanism. -Funds Available and Anticipated Number of Awards. The National Institute on Aging intends to commit approximately \$1.5 million dollars in direct costs in FY2009 to fund one application. Awards issued under this FOA are contingent upon the availability of funds and the submission of a sufficient number of meritorious applications.

The above URL link will provide all pertinent information for applying for this grant.

Antarctic Artists and Writers Program Grant

National Science Foundation (www.nsf.gov)

Deadline: June 18, 2008
Award: Est. Awards 8, award amount not provided.
Funding Opportunity Number: 08-552
URL: <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=true&oppld=17259>

The purpose of the Antarctic Artists and Writers Program is to enable serious writings and works of art that exemplify the Antarctic heritage of humankind. In particular, the program seeks to increase public understanding of the Antarctic region, including the continent and the surrounding oceans, as well as the associated research and education endeavors. The Antarctic Artists and Writers Program provides opportunities for professional artists and writers to travel to Antarctica – at research stations, field camps, and aboard ships – to make the observations necessary to complete their proposed projects. While the majority of award recipients are established artists and writers, the program also seeks to support early career artists and writers in an effort to broaden participation. This program is intended for individuals or small teams who would make use of existing, limited resources without requiring substantial dedicated support or a significant amount of logistical resources. The National Science Foundation funds and manages the U.S. Antarctic Program, which is devoted mainly to scientific research and education in support of the national interest in the Antarctic. The program's research and support infrastructure enables access to much of the Antarctic region for selected Antarctic Artists and Writers Program projects. It does not typically provide direct financial support to selected applicants. International Polar Year (IPY), which extends from March 2007 to March 2009 (see <http://dels.nas.edu/us-ipy> and <http://www.ipy.org>) is underway. A large number of awards have been made in response to proposals submitted to the regular Antarctic Research solicitations as well as two special solicitations during FY06 and FY07. A list of IPY awards is available at http://www.nsf.gov/od/opp/ipy/ipy_awards_list.jsp. Proposals that take advantage of prior IPY investments are particularly welcome. For information about other NSF IPY activities, see <http://www.nsf.gov/od/opp/ipy/ipyinfo.jsp>.

For additional information regarding this program, use the URL link above.

Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization (CAMEO)

Department of Commerce (DOC) (www.doc.gov)

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) (www.noaa.gov)

Funding Opportunity Number: NMFS-FHQ-2008-2001345
Deadline: Jun 17, 2008
Expected Number of Awards: 10
Estimated Total Program Funding: \$2,000,000
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: No
CFDA Number: 11.472 -- Unallied Science Program
Grants.gov URL: <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=41049>

This FOA is an initial solicitation for proposals to the Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization (CAMEO) Program. The purpose of CAMEO is to strengthen the scientific basis for an ecosystem approach to stewardship of ocean and coastal resources and ecosystems. To fulfill this purpose, CAMEO will assist policy makers and resource managers to make ecosystem-science based decisions that fulfill policy goals and management objectives of society. The program will support research to understand complex dynamics controlling productivity, behavior, population connectivity, climate variability and anthropogenic pressures. It envisages the use of a diverse array of ecosystem models, comparative analyses of managed and unmanaged areas, and ecosystem-scale mapping in support of research, forecasting and decision support. Proposals are requested for 1-2 year projects for initial modeling, retrospective, and pilot studies. Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, other non-profits, state, local, Indian Tribal Governments, and Federal agencies that possess the statutory authority to receive financial assistance.

Use Complementary and Alternative Medicine: Research on Outcomes, Cost-Effectiveness & Decision-Making Process (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

National Center for Complementary & Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
(nccam.nih.gov)

National Cancer Institute (NCI) (www.cancer.gov)

Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS), (dietary-supplements.info.nih.gov)

Program Announcement (PA) Number: PAR-08-045
Deadlines: May 19, 2008, 2009, & 2010
Opening Date: April 19, 2008 (Earliest date an application may be submitted to Grants.gov)
Funding: The size and duration of each award will vary based on nature and scope.
CFDA Number: 93.213, 93.399
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-08-045.html>

The PA seeks the submission of high-quality observational studies that evaluate the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of complementary and alternative medicine approaches used in the community, and the decision processes employed by patients and providers in deciding to use them. Over the last 10 years, there has been an appreciable increase in research that studies the efficacy and the biological basis for many therapies that are called Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM). At the same time, very little

research has been done to see how CAM is used in a “real world” setting. NCCAM has identified as a high priority studies that examine effective and cost-effective use of CAM as practiced in community settings to assuage the gaps in our knowledge about CAM use. NCCAM seeks a broad array of studies that will provide the center with a range of information regarding “CAM treatments in the manner in which they are practiced” including clinical outcomes, cost-effectiveness, patient-provider communication, and the decision-making process (patient and provider) in deciding to incorporate CAM into a patient’s healthcare plan.

This RFP seeks studies that show how CAM therapies function in actual healthcare settings, where patients may have multiple problems and utilize multiple therapies, both CAM and conventional. It places emphasis on observational studies and secondary data analyses evaluating the use of CAM in real-world settings. Examples of the types of projects this initiative could support include case-control studies, retrospective observational studies, secondary analyses of existing data, and prospective observational studies. Projects wherein the investigators assign participants to specific therapies or groups of therapies are not allowed under this RFP. Eligible PI’s include any person who has the skills, knowledge, and resources necessary to carry out the proposed research in cooperation with their institution/organization. Individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups as well as individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Visit the above URL for complete details.

Science, Technology, and Society (STS)

National Science Foundation (NSF) (www.nsf.gov)

Funding Opportunity Number: 08-553
Deadline: August 1, 2008 and August 1, February 1, 2009 and February 1, Annually Thereafter
Expected Number of Awards: 40
Estimated Total Program Funding: \$9,000,000
Award Ceiling: \$180,000
Award Floor: \$3,000
CFDA Number: 47.075 -- Social, Behavioral, and Economic Sciences
Cost-sharing/Matching: No
Grants.gov:
<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=true&oppId=17315>
Program URL: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf08553

STS considers proposals that examine historical, philosophical, and sociological questions that arise in connection with science, engineering, and technology, and their respective interactions with society. STS has four components: Ethics and Values in Science, Engineering and Technology (EVS), History and Philosophy of Science, Engineering and Technology (HPS), Social Studies of Science, Engineering and Technology (SSS), Studies of Policy, Science, Engineering and Technology (SPS). The components overlap, but are distinguished by the different scientific and scholarly orientations they take to the subject matter, as well as by different focuses within the subject area. STS encourages the submission of hybrid proposals that strive to integrate research involving two or more of these core areas. STS provides the following modes of support: Scholars Awards, Standard Research Grants and Grants for Collaborative Research, Postdoctoral Fellowships, Professional Development Fellowships, Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants,

Small Grants for Training and Research, Conference and Workshop Awards, Other Funding Opportunities. Visit the above Program URL for complete details.

Environmental Engineering

The National Science Foundation requests proposals for the Environmental Engineering Program. This program supports research and educational activities, with the goal of applying engineering principles to understand and reduce adverse effects of solid, liquid, and gaseous discharges into land, inland and coastal waters, and air that result from human activity and that impair the ecological and economic value of those resources. Responses due 9/15/08. For more info, contact Clark Liu at ccliu@nsf.gov or go to: http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_summ.jsp?pims_id=501029. Refer to Sol# PD-08-1440. (Grants.gov 3/21/08)

Ethics and Values in Engineering, Science, and Technology

The National Science Foundation requests proposals for Science, Technology, and Society. One of the areas of interest is Ethics and Values in Engineering, Science, and Technology. Examples of related topics include: Equity issues in the development, use and effects of science or technology; ethics, values, and the relationship of scientific and technical expertise to democratic decision making; ethics and values as they shape or are shaped by biotechnology and environmental sciences. \$9 million expected to be available, up to 40 awards anticipated. Responses due 8/1/08. For more info, contact Frederick Kronz at fkronz@nsf.gov or go to: http://www.nsf.gov/publications/pub_summ.jsp?ods_key=nsf08553. Refer to Sol# 08-553. (Grants.gov 3/28/08)

Water Infrastructure for the 21st Century

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requests proposals for Innovation and Research for Water Infrastructure for the 21st Century. Through this initiative, EPA seeks research efforts to produce, evaluate, and summarize information about innovative technologies that will assist the user community to reduce the cost and improve the effectiveness of design, operation, maintenance, rehabilitation, and replacement of aging/failing wastewater/stormwater/drinking water conveyance and treatment infrastructure. \$10 million expected to be available, 1 award anticipated. Notice of Intent to Apply is requested but is not required and is due 4/21/08. Final proposals due 5/12/08. For more info, contact Diana Ruffini at ruffini.diana@epa.gov or go to: <http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/tech/funding.html>

Request for Information: NIH Public Access Policy

(NOT-OD-08-060)

National Institutes of Health

URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-08-060.html>

With this notice, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) requests input from the community regarding the NIH Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting From NIH-Funded Research (NIH Public Access Policy). An identical notice is being issued via the Federal Register on March 31, 2008 at http://publicaccess.nih.gov/federal_register_March_31_2008.pdf. Complete and detailed information about the law at Division G, Title II, Section 218 of PL 110-161 (Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008), the NIH Public Access Policy, and implementation procedures issued to date are available at <http://publicaccess.nih.gov/index.htm>.

This request for information (RFI) seeks input on the Public Access Policy as described on the above website. This RFI will be active from March 31, 2008 to May 31, 2008 on

<http://publicaccess.nih.gov/comments.htm>. The NIH will post analysis and results from this RFI for public view onto <http://publicaccess.nih.gov> by September 30, 2008.

Advancing Novel Science in Women's Health Research (ANSWHR) (R03)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Components of Participating Organizations:

Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) (orwh.od.nih.gov)

National Cancer Institute (NCI) (www.cancer.gov)

National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) (www.genome.gov)

National Institute on Aging (NIA) (www.nia.nih.gov)

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) (www.niaaa.nih.gov)

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
(www.niams.nih.gov)

National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB)
(www.nibib1.nih.gov)

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
(www.nichd.nih.gov)

National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) (www.nidcr.nih.gov)

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) (www.nida.nih.gov)

National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) (www.niehs.nih.gov)

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) (www.nimh.nih.gov)

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
(www.ninds.nih.gov)

National Library of Medicine (NLM) (www.nlm.nih.gov)

Fogarty International Center (FIC) (www.fic.nih.gov)

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
(www.nccam.nih.gov)

Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) (ods.od.nih.gov)

Office of Behavioral and Social Science Research (OBSSR) (obsr.od.nih.gov)

Expiration Date: January 8, 2010
Award: Not specified
Funding Opportunity Number: PAS-07-382
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAS-07-382.html>

The purpose of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), issued by the Office of Research on Women's Health (ORWH) and co-sponsoring NIH institutes and centers (ICs), is to promote innovative, interdisciplinary research that will advance new concepts in women's health research and the study of sex/gender differences. Recent research reports have established the importance of studying issues specific to women, including the scientific and clinical importance of analyzing data separately for females and males. ORWH is particularly interested in encouraging extramural investigators to undertake new interdisciplinary research to advance studies on how sex and gender factors affect women's health; however, applications in all areas of women's health and/or sex/gender research are invited.

Review all of the information regarding application and other pertinent information at the URL link above.

Diet Composition and Energy Balance (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Components of Participating Organizations:

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)
(www.niddk.nih.gov)

National Cancer Institute (NCI) (www.nci.nih.gov)

National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM),
(nccam.nih.gov)

National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) (www.nhlbi.nih.gov)

National Institute on Aging (NIA) (www.nia.nih.gov)

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) (www.niaaa.nih.gov)

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
(www.nichd.nih.gov)

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
(www.ninds.nih.gov)

Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) (ods.od.nih.gov)

Expiration Date: March 6, 2010

Funding Opportunity Number: PA-07-218

URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-218.html>

The goal of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to invite Research Project Grant (R01) applications investigating the role of diet composition in energy balance, including studies in both animals and humans. Both short and longer-term studies are encouraged, ranging from basic studies investigating the impact of micro- or macronutrient composition on appetite, metabolism, and energy expenditure through clinical studies evaluating the efficacy of diets differing in micro- or macronutrient composition, absorption, dietary variety, or energy density for weight loss or weight maintenance.

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Bioengineering Grants (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Components of Participating Organizations:

National Cancer Institute (NCI) (<http://www.nci.nih.gov/>)

National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB)
(<http://www.nibib.nih.gov>)

National Eye Institute (NEI) (<http://www.nei.nih.gov>)

National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) (<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov>)

National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) (<http://www.genome.gov>)

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
(<http://www.niaaa.nih.gov>)

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
(<http://www.niaid.nih.gov>)

National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
(<http://www.niams.nih.gov>)

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
(<http://www.nichd.nih.gov>)
National Center for Complimentary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
(<http://www.nccam.nih.gov>)
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) (<http://www.nida.nih.gov>)
National Institute on Deafness and Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
(<http://www.nidcd.nih.gov>)
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)
(<http://www.nidcr.nih.gov>)
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
(<http://www.niehs.nih.gov>)
National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) (<http://www.nimh.nih.gov/>)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
(<http://www.ninds.nih.gov>)

Expiration Date: September 8, 2009
Funding Opportunity Number: PA-07-279
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-279.html#SectionIV3A>

Deadline: On or before September 7, 2009 by 5PM Proposer's Local Time
Participating Institutes and Centers of the NIH invite applications for R01 awards to support Bioengineering Research Grants (BRGs) for basic and applied multi-disciplinary research that addresses important biological, bioengineering or medical research problems. The BRGs support multi-disciplinary research performed in a single laboratory or by a small number of investigators that applies an integrative, systems approach to develop knowledge and/or methods to prevent, detect, diagnose, or treat disease or to understand health and behavior. A BRG application may propose hypothesis-driven, discovery-driven, developmental, or design-directed research.

Review all of the information regarding application and other pertinent information at the URL link above.

Research Project Grant Parent (Parent R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Components of Participating Organizations:

National Institute on Aging (NIA) (www.nia.nih.gov)
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) (www.niaaa.nih.gov)
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) (www.niaid.nih.gov)
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
(www.niams.nih.gov)
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering (NIBIB)
(www.nibib.nih.gov)
National Cancer Institute (NCI) (www.nci.nih.gov)
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
(www.nichd.nih.gov)
National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
(www.nccam.nih.gov)
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
(www.nidcd.nih.gov)
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR) (www.nidcr.nih.gov)

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) (www.niddk.nih.gov)
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) (www.nida.nih.gov)
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) (www.niehs.nih.gov)
National Eye Institute (NEI) (www.nei.nih.gov)
National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) (www.nigms.nih.gov)
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) (www.nhlbi.nih.gov)
National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI) (www.nhgri.nih.gov)
National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) (www.nimh.nih.gov)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS) (www.ninds.nih.gov)
National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) (www.ninr.nih.gov)
National Library of Medicine (NLM) (www.nlm.nih.gov)
National Center for Research Resources (NCRR) (www.ncrr.nih.gov)

Expiration Date: January 8, 2010
Funding Opportunity Number: PA-07-070
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-070.html>

The Research Project Grant (R01) is an award made to an institution/organization to support a discrete, specified, circumscribed project to be performed by the named investigator(s) in areas representing the specific interests and competencies of the investigator(s). The R01 research plan proposed by the applicant institution/organization must be related to the stated program interests of one or more of the NIH Institutes and Centers (ICs) based on descriptions of their programs. All research project grant applications described in this announcement will be assigned to NIH ICs according to standard Public Health Service (PHS) referral guidelines and specific program interests. Investigators are encouraged to consult the participating NIH ICs and their Web sites (see <http://www.nih.gov/icd>). Mechanism of Support. This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) will use the NIH Research Project Grant (R01) award mechanism. Funds Available and Anticipated Number of Awards. Because the nature and scope of the proposed research will vary from application to application, it is anticipated that the size and duration of each award will also vary. The total amount awarded and the number of awards will depend upon the numbers, quality, duration, and costs of the applications selected for award.

Review all of the information regarding application and other pertinent information at the URL link above.

Methodology and Measurement in the Behavioral and Social Sciences (R01)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Components of Participating Organizations:

Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research (OBSSR) (obssr.od.nih.gov)
National Cancer Institute (NCI) (www.nci.nih.gov)
National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) (www.nccam.nih.gov)
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) (www.nhlbi.nih.gov)
National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) (www.nichd.nih.gov)
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) (www.niehs.nih.gov)

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) (www.nimh.nih.gov)
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
(www.ninds.nih.gov)
National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) (www.ninr.nih.gov)
National Institute on Aging (NIA) (www.nia.nih.gov)
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) (www.niaaa.nih.gov)
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
(www.nidcd.nih.gov)
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) (www.nida.nih.gov)
Office of Dietary Supplements (ODS) (dietary-supplements.info.nih.gov/index.aspx)

Expiration Date: May 8, 2008
Funding Opportunity Number: PA-07-060
URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-07-060.html>

The goal of this Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) is to encourage research that will improve the quality and scientific power of data collected in the behavioral and social sciences, relevant to the missions of the participating NIH Institutes and Centers. -The participating NIH Institutes and Centers invite qualified researchers to submit research grant applications aimed at improving and developing methodology and measurement in the behavioral and social sciences through innovations in research design, data collection techniques, measurement, and data analysis techniques. Research that addresses methodology and measurement issues in diverse populations, issues in studying sensitive behaviors, issues of ethics in research, issues related to confidential data and the protection of research subjects, and issues in developing interdisciplinary, multi-method, and multilevel approaches to behavioral and social science research is particularly encouraged, as are approaches that integrate behavioral and social science research with biological, physical, or computational science research or engineering.

Research that addresses methodology and measurement issues in diverse populations, issues in studying sensitive behaviors, issues of ethics in research, issues related to confidential data and the protection of research subjects, and issues in developing interdisciplinary, multi-method, and multilevel approaches to behavioral and social science research is particularly encouraged, as are approaches that integrate behavioral and social science research with biological, physical, or computational science research or engineering.

Use the URL link above to view the all requirements for this opportunity, along with the online application.

NEA Creativity and Aging in America

National Endowment for the Arts (www.nea.gov)

Grants.gov: <http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?mode=VIEW&oppld=41147>
Funding Opportunity Number: 2008NEA01CA
Deadline: May 23, 2008 through 11:59 p.m., EDT.
CFDA Number: 45.024 -- Promotion of the Arts_Grants to Organizations and Individuals
Expected Number of Awards: 15
Award Ceiling: \$25,000
Award Floor: \$15,000
Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: Yes

Creativity and Aging in America is an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts designed to actively engage older Americans in quality arts programs. Through this initiative, the Arts Endowment will support exemplary projects in the disciplines of literature and music. Projects must be conducted by professional artists and engage older adults as students, artists, and/or teachers. For the purposes of these guidelines, older adults are age 65 and above. Recent research supported by the National Institutes of Health, AARP, International Foundation for Music Research, and the National Endowment for the Arts found that older adults who actively participated in ongoing, community-based arts programs, conducted by professional artists, experienced more physical and mental benefits than participants in non-arts activities. The research showed that active participation in the arts correlated positively with older adults' health outcomes and their sense of independence, potentially reducing risk factors that drive the need for long-term care. Creativity and Aging in America will focus on the disciplines of literature and music. Activities may take place in a variety of settings such as senior centers, community centers, retirement centers, museums, literary centers, performing arts centers, libraries, schools, and healthcare facilities. Projects must be planned in cooperation with the target population including local organizations that address aging-related issues. Organizations are limited to one Creativity and Aging application per year.

Review all of the information regarding application and other pertinent information at the URL link above.

FY 2008 NIH Director's Bridge Awards (NDBA)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

Notice Number: NOT-OD-08-037

NIH received 89.6 million in the *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008* to support vulnerable research programs. NDBA awards provide continued but limited bridge funding for meritorious investigators who just miss the funding cutoff and have minimal support from other sources. The program will permit the Principal Investigator additional time to strengthen a resubmission application. This announcement is an upgrade to previous ones: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-08-036.html> and <http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/financial/index.htm>.

In part it says:

"A pending, competing renewal research project grant (R01) application (original) or a resubmission application (A1, A2), which just misses the nominal funding payline for the IC to which it is primarily assigned may be nominated for the NDBA by the administering NIH Institute, provided the PI has less than \$400,000 in other support (total costs) from all sources to fund her/his research. Note that only the most meritorious A2 applications will be considered for the NDBA. Applicants may not apply for an R56 grant and applicants may not self nominate for the NDBA.

"Total costs approved by the Institute or Center for the first year of the project up to \$500,000 will be provided using a one year R56 grant. Awarding the NDBA (R56) does not affect the status of a pending R01 application."

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Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA)

National Institutes of Health (NIH) (www.nih.gov)

URL: <http://grants.nih.gov/training/nrsa.htm>

The following programs and training information can be found from the URL link above:

- Guide to Kirschstein - NRSA Programs
 - For individuals with or working on a research doctorate
 - For individuals with or working on a health-professional doctorate
- Institutional Research Training Grants
 - T Kiosk - Information about NRSA Training Grants Funding Opportunities
 - NIH Forms and Applications Page (Including PHS 398 and PHS 2590 application and other Training Forms)
 - Fillable Institutional Research Training Grant Application Forms and Data Tables
- Individual Fellowships
 - F Kiosk - Information about NRSA Fellowship Funding Opportunities
 - NIH Forms and Applications Page (Including PHS 416-1 and 416-9 application and other Training Forms)
 - Guidelines for Reviewers (Links to review guidelines for various fellowship "F" mechanisms)
 - Revision: Streamlined Review Process to be used for Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards (NRSA) Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications (F32) (08/09/2007)
- NRSA Policy Issues
 - Revised NIH Parental Leave Policy for the Ruth L. Kirschstein NRSA Awards (NOT-OD-08-064) (04/10/2008)
 - Revision: Notice of New NIH Policy for Funding of Tuition, Fees, and Health Insurance on Kirschstein-NRSA Awards (08/18/2006)
– See update: NOT-OD-08-036
 - NIH-NSF Definition of Postdoctoral Scholar (January 29, 2007 Letter to National Postdoctoral Association) (02/22/2007) – (PDF - 76 KB)
 - Guidance to Applicant Organizations about Registering Research Fellows in the eRA Commons (10/5/2006)
 - Questions and Answers Related to NOT-OD-06-093 (09/08/2006)
 - Revision: Notice of New NIH Policy for Funding of Tuition, Fees, and Health Insurance on Kirschstein-NRSA Awards (08/18/2006)
 - Summary of NIH Town Hall Meeting on NRSA Tuition Support - November 30, 2005 (MS Word)
 - Final Report of the Task Force on NRSA Tuition - June, 1995
 - Authorizing Legislation for the Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Program (RTF - 20 KB) - (42USC288)
 - Senate Report Language Associated with the Authorizing Legislation at 42USC288 (RTF - 13 KB)

- o Federal Regulations for the NRSA Program (42CFR66) - May 31, 2001 (PDF - 71 KB)
- o NRSA Policy Guidelines (Including Payback and Reporting Requirements)

Private and Corporate Grants

The 2009 AROHO Literary Gift of Freedom Award

A Room Of Her Own Foundation (www.aroomofherownfoundation.org)

Deadline: October 31, 2008

Award Amount: \$50,000

URL: http://www.aroomofherownfoundation.org/giftfreedom_application.php

The foundation assists established women artists who are making a substantial effort to be self-sufficient but you need assistance to obtain privacy and financial resources necessary to pursue their art. The successful applicant will have a well articulated creative project concept and a clear plan for how it may accomplished. The 2009 award will be given a woman writer who is a US citizen and will be living in the US during the grant period. Acceptable genres for this grant are poetry, playwriting, creative nonfiction, and fiction. Visit the foundation's Web site for complete program guidelines. Please note this award program requires an application fee.

Arts Writers Grant Program - New Application Process

Creative Capital (www.creative-capital.org)

The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts/Warhol Foundation Arts Writers Grant -- (www.warholfoundation.org)

Deadline: May 5, 2008 (Letter of Inquiry)

URL: <http://www.artswriters.org/home.php>

This grant is a three-year pilot program designed to support writers whose work addresses contemporary visual art through project-based grants issued directly to individual authors. The grant program is spearheaded by the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts as part of its broader Arts Writing Initiative and is administered by Creative Capital.

Beginning with the program's 2008 grant cycle, applicants for book projects will no longer be required to submit a letter of strong interest/intent to publish from an editor as part of the proposal. In place of this requirement, the program is implementing a new Letter of Inquiry phase for all book proposals, which will serve as a gateway to the formal grant application process. The addition of the LOI phase and the elimination of the letter of strong interest/intent to publish will enable the Arts Writers Grant Program to process a higher volume of book proposals and to consider book projects at an earlier stage of their development.

LOIs will only be accepted from writers who meet the program's general eligibility requirements and who have been writing professionally on the contemporary visual arts on a regular basis for at least three years; or have previously published a book with a reputable publisher; or have completed a Ph.D. dissertation. There is no LOI phase for writers seeking support in other categories (articles, short-form writing, and blogs/new and

alternative media). Those writers may apply directly to the program during the general application phase. For these projects, the online grant application form opens on August 4, 2008. Grant applications are due September 22, 2008. For more information and to access the complete 2008 grant calendar, visit the above URL.

Paul P. Fidler Research Grant: Students in Transition Research

The National Resource Center for the First-Year Experience Students in Transition
(sc.edu/fye/index.html)

Deadline: July 1, 2008
Amount of Award: \$5,000 Cash Stipend & Travel Funds to National Conferences
URL: <http://sc.edu/fye/research/grant/index.html>

The Center's mission is to support and advance efforts to improve student learning and transitions into and through higher education. The grant is designed to encourage the development and dissemination of knowledge that has potential to improve the experiences of college students in transition.

The awardee will travel to the 15th National Conference on Students in Transition (November 2008, in Columbia, South Carolina), at which the award will be presented, and travel to the 16th National Conference on Students in Transition (November 2009, in Salt Lake City), at which the research findings will be reported; announcement on the National Resource Center Web page, listservs, and print publications; and priority consideration for publication by the National Resource Center.

The grant competition is open to faculty, staff, and graduate students who plan to conduct research on issues of college student transitions. Cross-institutional research teams are encouraged to apply. The application and proposal form may be downloaded at the above URL.

2009 Gift of Freedom Award

A Room of Her Own (www.aroomofherown.org)

Deadline: October 31, 2008
Award: \$50,000
URL: http://www.aroomofherown.org/giftfreedom_application.php

A Room Of Her Own Foundation is dedicated to helping women artists achieve the privacy and financial support necessary to pursue their art. Toward this end, the foundation annually provides an award of \$50,000 to a woman writer.

The foundation's 2009 Literary Gift of Freedom Award will be given to an American woman writer who is a U.S. citizen and will be living in the U.S. during the grant period.

Acceptable genres for this grant are poetry, playwriting, creative nonfiction, and fiction.

Visit the foundation's Web site for complete program guidelines. (Please note: The program requires an application fee.)

Paul Robeson Fund for Independent Media - New Guidelines

Funding Exchange (www.fex.org)

Deadline: May 15, 2008

Award: Maximum award is \$20,000; most grants range between \$5,000 to \$15,000

URL: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012097/fex>

The Funding Exchange's (<http://www.fex.org/>) Paul Robeson Fund for Independent Media supports media activism and grassroots organizing by funding the pre-production and distribution of social issue film and video projects as well as the production and distribution of radio projects made by local, state, national, or international organizations and individual media producers.

The fund invites applications for projects of all genres that address critical social and political issues, combine intellectual clarity with creative use of the medium, and demonstrate understanding of how the production will be used for progressive social justice organizing.

The fund makes grants to radio projects in all production stages and to film and video projects in the pre-production or distribution stages only. The fund does not support production or post-production costs for film and video projects. The fund does not provide support to project budgets or projects of organizations with annual budgets of more than \$500,000.

See the Funding Exchange Web site to download complete program guidelines and an application form.

Active Living Research Grant Program

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (www.rwjf.org)

Deadline: May 14, 2008

Award: Award ceiling \$3.3m, awards \$50,000 to \$400,000 each and dissertation awards up to \$25,000 each

URL: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012107/rwjf>

The current Call for Proposals is the first to reflect the Active Living Research program's new focus on supporting research that informs policy and environmental strategies for increasing physical activity among children and adolescents (ages 3 to 18), decreasing their sedentary behaviors, and preventing obesity. The foundation will place special emphasis on strategies with the potential to reach racial/ethnic populations and children living in low-income communities who are at highest risk for obesity.

Proposed studies must address one of the following topics: evaluations of policy or environmental interventions and strategies for increasing physical activity and/or reducing sedentary behaviors among youth; studies of the interactive effects of built environment and social/cultural factors on youth physical activity and/or sedentary behaviors in populations at high risk for obesity; studies of the economic determinants and/or impacts of environments and policies that affect youth physical activity and/or sedentary behaviors; and analyses of macro-level policies and environmental-change strategies with the potential to increase physical activity and/or reduce sedentary behaviors among youth.

Approximately \$3.3 million will be awarded for research grants exploring the four topics, as well as dissertation grants. Research grants will range from \$50,000 to \$400,000 each, for projects ranging from twelve to thirty-six months. Dissertation awards will provide up to \$25,000 each.

Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Applicant organizations must be based in the United States or its territories.

For additional information regarding application and other specifics, use the URL link above.

CEC ArtsLink Grants

Citizens Exchange Council (www.cecartslink.org)

Deadline: November 4 and January 13
Award: \$2,500 to \$10,000

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<http://www.e-guana.net/organizations.php3?orgid=100&typeID=893&action=printContentItem&itemID=8831>

The program enables US artists and arts organizations to work collaboratively with counterparts in Central and Eastern Europe, Russia, and Eurasia. Project grants support travel expenses to artists or groups to allow exchanges with colleagues. Residences allow US organizations, including universities, to host artists for a five-week residency program. The January deadline is for project grants; the November deadline is for residencies. See Web site for criteria and awards specific to each program. Eligible countries for project program are Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Montenegro, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

PROGRAM TYPE: Consulting/Visiting Personnel; Cultural Outreach; International Exchange Programs; Travel Grants; International Grants

GEOGRAPHIC LIMITATION: Bulgaria; Central Europe; Czech Republic; Estonia; Hungary; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Poland; Romania; Russia; Slovakia; Slovenia; Ukraine; Uzbekistan

AMOUNT: \$2500-\$10,000 for projects

DATE DUE: Jan 13, Nov 4 (RECEIPT OF PROPOSAL SATISFIES)

ORGANIZATION TYPE: NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

DESCRIPTORS: Artists in Residence; Arts Administration; Cultural Outreach; International Exchange Programs

CMA/FACE French American Jazz Exchange Program

Chamber Music America (www.chamber-music.org)

Deadline: October 14, 2008

Award: \$10,000 maximum

URL: <http://chamber-music.org/programs/frenchamerican.html>

The program was created by Chamber Music America, the French Embassy, and the French American Cultural Exchange (FACE) to foster collaborative projects that unite French and American jazz artists. The program supports initiatives in both countries. Collaborations with musicians who champion world, electronic, contemporary classical, or other genres are welcome. Projects may include (but are not limited to) composition, touring, recording, and audience-development activities. Public performance is required. Application and guidelines are available online.

GRANT REQUIREMENTS: French and American citizens or legal residents are encouraged to apply.

PROGRAM TYPE: Cultural Outreach; Exhibitions, Collections, Performances, Video/Film Production; International Exchange Programs

GEOGRAPHIC LIMITATION: None

AMOUNT: \$10,000 maximum

DATE DUE: Oct 14 (RECEIPT OF PROPOSAL SATISFIES)

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Chamber Music America

305 Seventh Ave, 5th Fl

New York, NY 10001

<http://chamber-music.org/programs/frenchamerican.html>

ORGANIZATION TYPE: NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

DESCRIPTORS: International Exchange Programs; Jazz

ASCAP Foundation Announces New Grant Guidelines

ASCAP Foundation (ASCAP) (<http://www.ascapfoundation.org/>)

Deadlines: August 1, 2008 (Letter of Inquiry - mandatory)
October 1, 2008 (Full Proposal - by invitation only)

Average Award: \$3,000 - \$5,000
URL: <http://www.ascapfoundation.org/grants.html>

The ASCAP Foundation annually provides grants to non-profit organizations engaged in musical educational programs. The foundation is accepting Letters of Inquiry concerning music education and talent development programs that are consistent with the mission and objectives of the ASCAP Foundation and that support music education programs for aspiring songwriters and composers. The foundation's average grant is made on an annual one-time basis. The foundation does not consider requests for general operating or administrative support or annual giving campaigns, capital purposes, endowments, deficit operations, recordings, marketing efforts or performance and production funding. The foundation does not purchase advertisements, sponsor events, or donate equipment.

Full grant applications are by invitation only. Those interested in applying for a grant must first submit a Letter of Inquiry Form by the above deadline, although the foundation encourages applicants to submit the Letter of Inquiry as early as possible. Applicants will hear within one month of receipt of their Letter of Inquiry whether their organization will be invited to submit a full grant application. Letters of Inquiry should be submitted to the ASCAP Foundation as early as possible.

Visit the above URL on the ASCAP Foundation website for complete program guidelines, application procedures, and information on previously funded programs.

Brimstone Award in Applied Storytelling

National Storytelling Network (NSN) (www.storynet.org)

Deadline: May 2, 2008 (Preliminary proposals)
Amount: \$5,000
URL: <http://www.storynet.org/Programs/Grants/Brimstone/index.html>

NSN invites applications for the fifth annual Brimstone Award for Applied Storytelling. The award focuses on the transformational properties of storytelling and aims to increase understanding of the ways storytelling can promote change in individuals and communities.

The award provides funds a project that will be completed in calendar year 2009. The grant will support a model storytelling project that is service-oriented, based in a community or organization, and to some extent replicable in other places and situations. A variety of projects are eligible including community, organizational or institutional programs, curricular activities, short residencies, and projects combining complementary art forms.

Applicants who are not members of the National Storytelling Network must pay the current membership fee to become an NSN member. Program information and an application form are available at the above URL.

Vilcek Prize for Creative Progress - Honoring Contributions of Young Immigrants

Vilcek Foundation (www.vilcek.org)

Deadline: July 11, 2008

Amount of Award: \$25,000
URL: <http://www.vilcek.org>

The foundation's mission is to heighten public awareness of the contributions of immigrants to the sciences and arts and culture in the US. As part of this mission, the foundation has announced the creation of two new annual prizes that will be awarded to young immigrants who have made outstanding contributions in the fields of bio-medical research or the arts and humanities.

The new Vilcek Prizes for Creative Promise will be awarded each year in the field of biomedical research and in a category of the arts or humanities selected by the foundation. The arts field selected for 2009 is filmmaking. To be eligible for the prizes, applicants must have been born outside the US and be no more than 38 years old as of January 1, 2009.

Certificates of recognition designed by Stefan Sagmeister will be presented to each prize-winner during the foundation's annual awards ceremony in New York City in the spring of 2009. For more information visit the above URL and click on "Prize for Creative Progress".

William T. Grant Scholars Program

William T. Grant Foundation (<http://wtgrantfoundation.org/>)

Deadline: July 9, 2008
Amount of Award: \$350,000 (distributed over the duration)
Duration: Five Years
URL: http://www.wtgrantfoundation.org/info-url5243/info-url_show.htm?doc_id=646415

The foundation dedicates the majority of its funding to support empirical studies that advance theory, as well as policy and practice, to improve the everyday settings of youth between the ages of 8 and 25 in the United States.

The Scholars Program is designed to facilitate the professional development of early career scholars who have some demonstrated success in conducting high-quality research and are seeking to further develop their skills and research program. Applications are invited from promising early career researchers who want to tackle questions important to theory and either policy or practice for improving youth settings. The foundation is interested in applicants trained across a range of social, behavioral, and health sciences.

Applicants at all nonprofit institutions, both in the US and abroad, are eligible. International applicants should be pursuing research that has clear, compelling theory and either policy or practice implications for the settings of young people ages 8 to 25 in the US. Any discipline is eligible. Applicants must have received their terminal degree within seven years of submitting their application. Candidates are nominated by a supporting institution and must submit five-year research plans that demonstrate creativity, intellectual rigor, and a commitment to continued professional development; are grounded in theory and sound research methods; and provide evidence for appropriate mentoring from senior investigators. For complete program information and application procedures, visit the above URL.

Fellowships: Institutional/Individual

Open Society Institute Invites Innovative Thinkers to Confront Global Challenges

The Open Society Institute (www.soros.org)

Deadline: Rolling

URL: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012355/sorosfellowship>

The Open Society Institute (<http://www.soros.org/>) has announced a new fellowship program to enable outstanding individuals from around the world to pursue projects that will inspire meaningful debate and shape public policy.

The Open Society Fellowship is designed to enable innovative professionals -- including journalists, activists, academics, and practitioners -- to work on projects focused on four themes: National Security and the Open Society; Citizenship, Membership, and Marginalization; Strategies and Tools for Advocacy and Citizen Engagement; and Understanding Authoritarianism. OSI will also support a limited number of fellows whose projects are germane to its mission but fall outside the four focus categories. In particular, OSI welcomes applicants working in areas of emerging interest to OSI, especially global warming and post-conflict environments.

Fellows' projects may include books, articles, documentary films, online media, and efforts to seed new campaigns and organizations. OSI seeks fellows who will engage with its staff and inform its thinking.

The Open Society Fellowship will award a total of \$2 million in 2008. OSI will provide fellows with competitive stipends and communications assistance, and will integrate them into its networks of partners and grantees. Most fellowships will be awarded for one year.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. For complete program information, visit the OSI Web site.

Fellowships at Digital Humanities Centers

National Endowment for the Humanities (www.neh.gov)

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NEH Fellowships at Digital Humanities Centers (FDHC) support collaboration between digital centers and individual scholars. An award provides funding for both a stipend for the fellow while in residence at the center and a portion of the center's costs for hosting a fellow. Awards are for periods of six to twelve months. The intellectual cooperation between the

visiting scholar and the center may take many different forms and may involve humanities scholars of any level of digital expertise. Fellows may work exclusively on their own projects in consultation with center staff, collaborate on projects with other scholars affiliated with the center, function as “apprentices” on existing digital center projects, or any combination of these. The results of the collaboration may range from “proof of concept” to finished product. The aims of the program are to 1) support innovative collaboration on outstanding digital research projects; 2) expand digital literacy and expertise; 3) promote the work of digital humanities centers; and 4) encourage broad and open access to the humanities. FDHC grants are made to digital humanities centers and, therefore, a staff member of the digital humanities center must serve as the project director. Prospective fellows must apply through a digital center. Centers may submit one application per deadline; individual scholars may apply in collaboration with only one digital center per deadline. Awards support the scholar's fellowship in residence as well as a portion of the center's direct and indirect costs of hosting such fellowships. The scholar in residence may not be employed by, or associated with, the institution that houses the center.

Use the URL link above for all additional required information and application procedures.

Student Funding Opportunities

Scholarships available through college's Financial Aid Department

URL: <http://www.csuohio.edu/financialaid/>

Each year, all students deal with the stress of wondering how they will find the money to pay for their classes, books, and living expenses. With research, students can find money available to them, allowing higher education to be affordable.

To start with, the student must complete the Financial Aid Form, often referred to by its acronym FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid). The form can be filled out online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. This form must be completed, with the results submitted to this school's financial aid department to be considered for aid.

Next, apply for the scholarships that are available through the school. A complete list of all scholarships is available at <http://www.csuohio.edu/financialaid/scholarships/>. Remember, there are deadlines for all scholarships, whether through the college or from external sources.

Yes, applying for scholarships and financial aid is work. But the rewards are funding for college education.

The URL link above will show you the entire process, with procedures for completing any necessary forms, contact information, and deadlines.