



Young Artist Grant

Submission Guidelines

In 2023, the **Young Artist Grant** will support three projects by young artists with a \$5,000.00 grant. Submissions are accepted from artists that comply to the following:

- Are Canadian citizens or permanent residents of Canada,
- Are 18 to 30 years of age, and
- Are of Italian heritage (at least one great-grandparent was born in Italy).

The **Young Artist Grant** will support a specific original project that is a work in progress, in the following categories:

Fictional Literature: novel, novella, collection of short stories or poems, comics, graphic novel, theatre play.

- Ineligible projects: non-fictional works, academic studies, anthologies featuring works by multiple authors, screenplays.

Music: album, musical score, movie soundtrack.

- Ineligible projects: individual songs.

Film: short film, feature-length film, music video, TV/streaming series or series pilot, screenplay.

- Ineligible projects: documentary movies, film journalism, recording of a live performance.

One artist can submit only one project, under one category. Each submission must be the work of the sole individual artist or by a team/band under the direct guidance of the artist who is submitting the project.

Each submission package must include:

- Completed online Application Form
- A valid photo ID (e.g., driver's license, passport, etc.)
- The applicant's resume
- An overview of the project (500 – 800 words)
- The budget for the project, highlighting how the grant money will be spent
- A sample of the proposed project, such as a 2-to-5-page excerpt for the literary entry, 1-2 song(s) from the music album, or 2-5 minutes of the film – or an equivalent artistic product that will convey a sense of the quality of the craftsmanship in the medium selected for the submission.

Heavy files can be emailed through file-sharing sites (such as Dropbox, WeTransfer, etc.).

Submissions that are received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Submission packages must be submitted via email to execs@villacharities.com no later than Friday, September 28th, 5:00pm EDT.

In your Email subject line, please include 'Young Artist Grant' and your First and Last Name.

Submission Rules & Regulations

The submission of a grant application represents a commitment to Villa Charities Inc. to complete the project as specified in the proposal. The successful grant recipient will receive 70% of the grant (\$3,500.00) at the time it is rewarded. Upon completing the project, the remaining 30% (\$1,500.00) will be issued. If for any reason, the project is not completed, all grant monies must be returned to Villa Charities Inc.

By submitting a grant application (a "Submission"), the applicant confirms that the Submission and the project contained in the Submission is and will be an original work, and no part of the Submission or project is copied from anywhere else or in any way plagiarized, and that no AI product (including e.g., ChatGPT) was used to create the submitted project. Any Submission submitted with material owned by third parties without proper permission for use will be disqualified. Villa Charities Inc. is not responsible for any third party's rights violation by an applicant and the Applicant shall be held liable for such violation. The Submission must not contain anything that infringes a third party's intellectual property rights or violates, or encourages any conduct that would violate, any applicable law or regulation. The Submission and its included project must not be defamatory, obscene, pornographic, vulgar or offensive, and may not promote discrimination, bigotry, racism, hatred, harassment or harm against any individual or group. The Submission and included project may not contain information or materials embodying the names, images, likenesses, voices, or other indicia identifying any third person (living or dead), such as personal names, e-mail addresses or street addresses, including, without limitation, those of celebrities and/or other public or private figures, living or dead.





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By submitting a Submission, the Applicant grants to Villa Charities Inc. the right to use at no cost any material related to the entry including the included project (in early or final form) for use in any and all manner, format, or media whether now known or hereafter devised (which use may include without limitation, editing, reformatting, modifying, publishing, posting, distributing, displaying, and transmitting for print, audio, visual, digital, or broadcast media and the like), for any purpose, including without limitation advertising Villa Charities or Villa Charities' products, services and organization. The Applicant represents and warrants that, if applicable, the Applicant has obtained all relevant authorizations and rights from third parties to use their material in the Submission for the uses contemplated herein.

Selection and Adjudication

- There are three (3) prizes of \$5,000.00 CDN each.
- The grant recipients will be evaluated by a selection committee for each category. The decision of the selection committee will be final and cannot be appealed.
- As stated above in the Submission Rules, the selection committee and Villa Charities Inc. will not be responsible for issues arising from alleged plagiarism that may be found in the grant recipients' work. If such is the case, all funds must be returned to Villa Charities Inc. and the artist will be ineligible to submit proposals in the future.
- In case of insufficient or inadequate entries, the prize will be unassigned. The decision of the selection committee in this respect is final and cannot be appealed.

