



Annual Application Limits

Each program component has limits on the number of applications you can submit and/or the grants you can receive each year — details are included in the guidelines for each component. In addition, there are overriding limits on the number of applications you can submit annually to Canada Council for the Arts (1 March to 28/29 February). If you are planning several projects in a year, you will want to strategize which projects to submit to the Canada Council for support.

The overriding limits are as follows:

Individuals and groups, as well as organizations not receiving core (operating) grants may submit a maximum of 3 applications to the Council each year.

Organizations receiving core (operating) grants may submit a maximum of 2 project applications to the Council each year, in addition to their core grant request every 2 or 4 years.

However, there are exceptions. To enable you to respond to invitations and other time-sensitive opportunities, applications to the following components are not counted in the overriding limits

Creating, Knowing and Sharing: Travel

Creating, Knowing and Sharing: Small-Scale Activities

Arts Across Canada: Travel

Arts Across Canada: Representation and Promotion

Arts Across Canada: Translation

Arts Across Canada: Circulation and Touring

Arts Abroad: Travel

Arts Abroad: Representation and Promotion

Arts Abroad: Translation

Arts Abroad: Circulation and Touring

Digital Strategy Fund

Access Support Fund

Market Access Strategy for Official Language Minority Communities (OLMC) Fund

Media Arts Equipment Acquisition Fund

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Individuals and groups, and organizations not receiving core (operating) grants

OVERRIDING LIMIT
Maximum of 3 applications per year:
March 1 to February 28-29

OVERRIDING LIMIT: Maximum of 3 applications per year (March 1 to February 28-29) in the following components		
	Component's annual application limits	Component's annual grant limits
Explore and Create		
Professional Development for Artists	1 application	
Research and Creation	1 application	
Concept to Realization	2 applications, of which only 1 can be for composite	project grants: maximum combined grants \$100,000
Artist-Driven Organizations		1 core grant from any program
Engage and Sustain		
Artistic Catalysts		1 core grant from any program
Artistic Institutions		1 core grant from any program
Creating, Knowing and Sharing		
Short-Term Projects	2 applications	projects cannot overlap in time with another Short-Term Project grant, and cannot be related to activities supported by a Long-Term Project grant
Long-Term Projects	2 applications	projects cannot overlap in time with another Long-Term Project grant, and cannot be related to activities supported by a Short-Term Project grant
Indigenous Organizations		1 core grant from any program
Supporting Artistic Practice		
Professional Development for Arts Professionals	2 applications	
Sector Innovation and Development	2 applications, of which only 1 can be for composite	project grants: maximum combined grants \$100,000
Literary Publishing Projects	1 application	
Literary Publishers		1 core grant from any program
Support Organizations		1 core grant from any program
National Arts service Organizations		1 core grant from any program
Arts Across Canada		
Foreign Artists Tours	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$75,000
Public Outreach	2 applications, of which only 1 can be for composite	project grants: maximum combined grants \$100,000
Arts Festivals and Presenters		1 core grant from any program
Arts Abroad		
Residencies	1 application	
Co-productions	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$50,000

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NOT COUNTED IN THE OVERRIDING LIMIT: Maximum of 3 applications per year

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	Component's annual application limits	Component's annual grant limits
Creating, Knowing and Sharing		
Travel	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Small-Scale Activities	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$3,000
Arts Across Canada		
Travel	1 application for any eligible activity + 2 applications for performing arts showcases and for researching artistic content	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Representation and Promotion	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Translation		maximum 8 translations
Circulation and Touring	3 applications	maximum combined grants \$200,000
Arts Abroad		
Travel	1 application for any eligible activity + 2 applications for performing arts showcases	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Representation and Promotion	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Translation		2 grants
Circulation and Touring	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$200,000
Strategic Funds		
Digital Strategy Fund		
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	Component's annual application limits	Component's annual grant limits
Creating, Knowing and Sharing		
Short-Term Projects	2 applications for exceptional projects	
Supporting Artistic Practice		
Sector Innovation and Development (National Arts Service Organizations can apply for research projects only)	2 applications for exceptional projects (not eligible for composite)	maximum combined grants \$100,000
Arts Across Canada		
Foreign Artists Tours	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$75,000
Public Outreach (not open to organizations receiving core grants from Arts Festivals and Presenters)	2 applications for exceptional projects (not eligible for composite)	maximum combined grants \$100,000
Arts Abroad		
Residencies	1 application	
Co-productions	2 applications	maximum combined grants \$50,000

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Travel	1 application for any eligible activity + 2 applications for performing arts showcases and for researching artistic content	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Representation and Promotion	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Translation		maximum 8 translations
Circulation and Touring	3 applications	maximum combined grants \$200,000
Arts Abroad		
Travel	1 application for any eligible activity + 2 applications for performing arts showcases	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Representation and Promotion	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$30,000
Translation (open to theatre organizations receiving core grants)		2 grants
Circulation and Touring	4 applications	maximum combined grants \$200,000

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