

The “Tejas Mission Grant Program”

Program Purpose:

Further the mission of Tejas Storytelling Association (TSA) by providing financial grants to TSA Affiliate Guilds to assist with new storytelling programming in their community.

Program Guidelines:

- 1) Affiliate Guild must be active and in good standing with TSA
- 2) Program must be a newly developed program to benefit one or more of the following:
 - a. Specific community within geographic area of the Guild
 - b. Educational institutions within the geographic area of the Guild
 - c. Specific demographic out-reach within the geographic area of the Guild
- 3) Program must be designed to further the mission of TSA
 - a. Boosting awareness of storytelling as an oral tradition
 - b. Promoting storytelling as a performing art
 - c. Encouraging storytelling as an educational tool
- 4) Maximum of three (3) grants will be awarded each year
 - a. Maximum amount of a single grant will be \$500.00
 - b. Maximum one (1) grant award to a single Guild in a single year
 - c. No minimum number of grants will be awarded each year

Selection Process:

- 1) Interested Guilds will submit a Grant request to TSA by November 30th
 - a. Grant request form will be distributed to the Affiliate Guild Point of Contact
 - b. Grant request form will be available for download from the TSA website
 - c. Electronic submission of the Grant Request form is acceptable
- 2) Grant Review committee will review all received grant requests by February 1st of the following year
 - a. All Grant Requests will be considered
 - b. A maximum of three (3) Grant Requests will be chosen for award
 - c. There will be no minimum number of awards
- 3) Grant Review committee will submit the chosen requests to the TSA Board in time for the February board meeting
 - a. TSA Board will make a final review and acceptance of recommendation
 - b. Awards will be reflected in the February board meeting minutes
 - c. TSA Board will direct the Treasurer to have checks printed for the Accepted awards
- 4) Grants will be awarded during the Membership Meeting held during the annual Festival
 - a. Awarded Guild will be notified of award prior to Festival
 - b. Awarded Guild will be notified of the time and date of the Membership Meeting
 - c. Awarded Guild will have a representative on hand during the meeting to accept the check
 - d. Awarded Guild will have a representative on hand at the next membership meeting to report on the program activity.