

HUDSON CULTURAL COUNCIL SEEKS FUNDING PROPOSALS

Proposals for Community-Oriented Arts, Humanities, and Science Programs due October 17th

HUDSON — The Hudson Cultural Council is seeking online applications from organizations, schools, and individuals for grants to support community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs. If you have a great idea for bringing culturally enriching programming to Hudson and need funding to make it a reality, you are welcome to apply for a grant. The online application window will be open from September 1st through October 17th.

The Hudson Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community. Application forms and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program will be available online https://www.mass-culture.org/lcc_public.aspx in September.

HCC awards grants to private and public/municipal organizations, and individuals for cultural projects that benefit the Hudson community. The Council is responsible for making the final decisions on how to best serve the cultural needs of Hudson in selecting grant recipients and the amount of each grant.

Priority is given to programs which take place inside the town of Hudson and to those serving Hudson residents as well as Hudson-based organizations and institutions. Some of this past year's direct grant recipients include Howie Newman's *Baseball Show* at the Hudson Senior Center, Hudson Division of Recreation *Summer Concert Series*, Hudson Public Library Children's Room *STEAM Program*, and Assabet Valley Chamber of Commerce's *Market Music*.

Check out the council's website www.hudsonculturalcouncil.org or Facebook page www.facebook.com/HudsonCulturalCouncil/ for updates and more information on the application process. For the upcoming grant cycle, the Hudson Cultural Council will use a direct grant payment system.

The Hudson Cultural Council is composed of volunteers appointed by the Town of Hudson Select Board. To contact the HCC directly with questions, or to become a HCC member, please email HUDSONCULTURALCOUNCIL@gmail.com .