NEIGHBORHOOD PERFORMING ARTS INITIATIVE 2016
Smaller Sights and Sounds Mini Grant Application

The Office of Arts Culture and Tourism, in collaboration with the Parks Department and the Partnership for Providence Parks is providing a new opportunity to bring performing arts to your park as part of Playful Providence 2016.

This project seeks to engage the smaller or newer volunteer park groups “friends” in transforming their neighborhood parks into community hubs for the arts, healthy living, and play. Additionally, families from across the city will be encouraged to sample a selection of activities at a different park each week. We anticipate that each of these one-or-two event (smaller sights and sounds) series will be promoted as one event in the NPAI series. This initiative will provide park groups and community partners with an opportunity to test the waters, without exceeding their group’s capacity. All participants will receive technical assistance and support from the Partnership in areas of recruiting and managing volunteers, organizing and promoting events, and facilitating play. Ultimately, each group will be inspired and prepared by their experience in the summer that they will be well equipped to apply for and execute the larger NPAI grants.

Please note:

• The cost range for performers at each event is $150-300 (depending on number of performers, scale of performance, reputation, etc.) and we are looking to fund at least 2 events at each site. The Partnership pays these fees directly and will help negotiate them. Any other costs, such as food or advertising will need to be covered by your organization.
• All applicants are required to have a meeting, phone or email consultation with the Partnership for Providence Parks prior to submitting application.
• Project dates must be weekday late afternoon/early evenings between 7/5 and 9/4/16
• Generally, all acts should be unplugged, unless there is a nearby source of electricity (sometimes a neighbor will let you run cords). If needed, it is up to the act to bring any sound equipment and power source.
• Because of the intimate nature of these performances, a stage is generally not needed and is reserved for the larger NPAI concerts.
• All awardees will be required to complete a final report by September 30, 2016. A survey will be provided by the Partnership.
• Representatives from your group must be present to welcome guests and host performers at all performances, including set-up and clean-up.
• Have fun!

Please complete and email application by June 6th at 4pm to:
Helene@providenceparks.org
ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name of Organization: _______________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ___________________________________________________________________

City: Providence                  State: RI       Zip: __________________________________

Executive Director: _________________ Event Coordinators: _____________________________

E-mail: __________________________ Phone: _______________ Cell Phone for events: ______

Organization’s Mission:

Organization History
Briefly describe your organization’s capacity for programming:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Summary
Please provide one paragraph that summarizes the proposed project including potential artists or genres and community partners and numbers and types of individuals who will benefit:

Project Location
Which Providence Park are you proposing for this project?

Capacity Building
How can you use this opportunity to build the capacity of your friends group or organization?

PROJECT BUDGET
Please describe any additional funding or resources your group will be able to contribute to the success of the series? Some ideas: Ice cream social, sound system, advertising, etc..

SIGNATURE

The applicant, by signing below, agrees to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal laws that prohibit discrimination based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability, and also to comply fully with all of the other terms, conditions, and guidelines of this application.

Authorized Official
Applying Organization
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Signature

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Printed Name Title