

ATTACHMENT C

Eligibility for Three-Year Operating Funding

(taken from Page 3 of the Culture & Heritage Operating Grant Guidelines & Criteria)

Three-year funding is available to established not-for-profit professional culture and heritage organizations that have been in existence for at least four (4) years. In order to be eligible, applicants must have received at least one annual grant through the City of Nanaimo's Culture & Heritage Funding Program. The organization must have an arts, culture and heritage mandate (should this funding be removed); be recognized for excellence in their artistic discipline; provide annual programming to the community; demonstrate long-range financial stability on a year-round basis, be able to articulate long-term artistic visioning and planning; and receive operating funding from the provincial and / or federal level.

Definition of Professional Organization

A "professional organization" is defined as organizations that employ professional artists and pay industry standard artist fees and have paid administrative staff.