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**\$10,000 - \$40,000 GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR MEDIA AND TRADITIONAL ARTS  
ARTISTS & ORGANIZATIONS**

**CULTURAL COUNCIL OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY HOSTS THREE  
CREATIVE WORK FUND INFORMATION SEMINARS**

To assist media and traditional artists and organizations interested in applying to the Creative Work Fund Grants Program, the Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County is hosting three grant seminars. The Creative Work Fund, a program of the Walter and Elise Haas Fund, makes \$10,000 - \$40,000 grants available to northern and central California artists and organizations. Artists and organizations from a dozen California counties are eligible to apply for funding including Santa Cruz County. **Letter of inquiry deadline is December 3, 2008.**

**Seminar dates are:**

Monday, October 6, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, La Manzana Community Resources, 521 Main Street, Watsonville.

Monday, October 6, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County, 2400 Chanticleer Avenue (Live Oak Business Park), Suite G, Santa Cruz.

Tuesday, October 7, from 10:00 am to 12 noon, Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County, 2400 Chanticleer Avenue (Live Oak Business Park), Suite G, Santa Cruz.

To reserve a spot, please contact Nabil Ghachem at the CCSCC at [grants@ccsc.org](mailto:grants@ccsc.org) or Laura Gigounas at the CWF at [laura.gigounas@gmail.com](mailto:laura.gigounas@gmail.com).

For its December 2008 deadline, the Fund is inviting applicants to apply for projects in the areas of media arts or traditional/folk arts.

- Media Arts – includes works for film, video, sound installations, radio, or computer-based media.
- Traditional / Folk Arts – includes art forms learned as part of the cultural life of a group of people whose members have a common ethnic heritage, language, religion, occupation, or region. These expressions are usually deeply rooted in and reflect a community's shared standards of beauty,

values, or life experiences. Projects can include individual artists or a group of artists. Works can include oral traditions, performances, crafts, multidisciplinary works, and others.

"It's wonderful to see Bay Area foundations expand their outreach to Santa Cruz County artists and organizations," said Nabil Ghachem, Grants Program Coordinator at the Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County.

The Creative Work Fund has scheduled 18 seminars to assist artists and organizations with the application process.

More information can be found at [www.creativeworkfund.org](http://www.creativeworkfund.org).

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**About the Cultural Council:** The Cultural Council's mission is to lead the community in advancing the arts in Santa Cruz County. Our programs include Grants to artists and arts organizations, SPECTRA arts learning in Santa Cruz County public schools, and the Open Studios Art Tour.