

Individual Grants

1 WHAT IS AN INDIVIDUAL GRANT?

An individual grant allows to develop (new) ideas, explore (different) ways, initiate a (new) evolution, reflect on one's own practices and to deepen them.

There are **short-term** (maximum 1 year) and **multi-annual** grants (maximum 3 years).

The difference with a project subsidy lies in the disinterestedness of the grant: there is no counterpart on the part of the beneficiary.

2 WHO CAN SUBMIT AN APPLICATION?

A grant can only be allocated to **artists and designers** who are active within the professional Arts field. Designers include planners and architects.

Nationality does not count when applying for a grant; the only requirement is involvement in the art scene in the Flemish Community.

The Flemish Parliament Act supports **professional** arts. The reference to 'being active at a professional level' is evaluated per dossier by means of a quality assessment on the basis of the content-based criteria.

Short-term grants

For a short-term grant, both young, promising artists and already recognised, well established artists are eligible.

Short-term grants include the former development-oriented grants, work grants and work visits. A short-term grant can also be used for a residence at home or abroad.

Multi-annual grants

The multi-annual grant is reserved for already recognised, well established artists who have been involved for at least three years in the art scene of the Flemish Community.

3 WHICH FUNCTIONS ARE ELIGIBLE?

A grant is exclusively linked to the function '**development**'.

4 WHICH CRITERIA MUST MY APPLICATION SATISFY?

The grant applications shall meet quality criteria. These criteria are different for short-term and long-term grants.

'Quality of the motivation' is both for short-term and for multi-annual grants a criterion. The artist explains why he or she - at this stage in his carrier – needs time and space for development. The artist specifies what evolution he or she aspires and how this process will proceed within what timeframe.

Short-term grants

For **short-term grants**, the following criteria shall apply:

1. the quality of the motivation
2. the growth potential of the artist's work
3. if applicable, further specification of the criteria by the Government of Flanders.
No further specifications will apply during this legislation

Multi-annual grants

For **multi-annual grants**, the following criteria shall apply:

1. quality of the motivation
2. the importance and the quality of the artist's work
3. the contribution to the development of the artist's pathway
4. if applicable, further specification of the criteria by the Government of Flanders.

5 SUBMISSION DEADLINE

There are **three submission deadlines** per year for grants, namely:

- 15 September
- 15 January
- 15 May

6 PRACTICAL

A grant is paid in two instalments. You shall receive the advance of 90% after signature of the decree allocating the grant. To receive the balance of 10%, there must first submit a detailed report explaining how the grant period has contributed to the artistic development of the artist. It is not necessary to provide a financial report.