

Minnesota State Fiddlers Association Mini-Grants

Next Deadline: July 1, 2021

The Minnesota State Fiddlers Association (MSFA) has a mission to “Keep the Heritage of Fiddling Alive” through fiddle music education activities with an emphasis on the upper mid-west. To this end, the MSFA may give small, annual grants to projects that support this mission. The number and amount available for these grants will be determined each year by the MSFA board of directors. The final approval for fund disbursement will reside with the MSFA board. The MSFA will accept requests that include (but are not limited to) fiddle contests, workshops, scholarships to fiddle related camps and workshops and support of old-time jams.

The MSFA will also consider grants to the Minnesota State Arts Board or other similar arts grants organization for a project that promotes the purpose of the MSFA. Projects may support any style of traditional, old-time music; the dollar limits for any grant will be from \$50 to \$250 for an individual scholarship and \$100 to \$500 for group event. It is anticipated there will be two calls per year for grant applications. Mini-Grant Applications shall be submitted via email before the grant due date. Applicants will be notified by email within 30 days of the due date. Grant funding will be provided upon approval of application, payable to the point of contact.

In consideration of the agreement by the MSFA for these grants, the recipient will agree to:

- 1) credit the MSFA by listing the MSFA as a sponsor and including the MSFA name and website wherever possible in appropriate printed and electronic materials,
- 2) allow the MSFA to hang a banner and/or provide membership information at any public events as deemed appropriate,
- 3) allow MSFA to publish pictures and written accounts of the funded activity in MSFA websites, social media and e- newsletters.

MSFA board members that are considering applying for these mini-grants shall recuse themselves from the development of the selection process and voting on individual grants where they may personally benefit.

Contact MSFA@gmail.com for more information or any questions. The Grant-Application instructions can be found on the MSFA web site.

Minnesota State Fiddlers Association (MSFA) Mini-Grant Application

The Mini-Grant Application must be completed with each section completed, agree to included conditions, signed, dated, and submitted at least 30 days prior the event or activity. Application shall be no more than three (3) pages.

Name/Title of application:

Date/s of event:

Location of event:

Amount requested:

Point of Contact, POC (Name, address, phone, email):

Purpose of event and how it supports the primary mission of MSFA:

Prior relative experience in conducting/participating in this type of event:

Types of material and methods of distribution to participants:

How will the event be promoted?

Number of participants anticipated to attend:

If there will be an audience, the anticipated size:

Include the following language in your application: *In consideration of the agreement by the MSFA for these grants, the recipient agrees to:*

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A report documenting the event will be submitted to the MSFA within 30 days of completion of the event/s. (one page)

- Shall include name and date of the event.
- How it supports the primary mission of MSFA.
- Lessons learned, both positive and negative.

Email the signed application (pdf format) to msfafiddlers@gmail.com by July 1, 2021.