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**THE PELHAM CULTURAL COUNCIL SEEKS FUNDING PROPOSALS**  
**Proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs due October 15, 2026.**

The **Pelham Cultural Council** encourages organizations, schools, and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community.

These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in Pelham or the Amherst-Pelham public schools—including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, performances, workshops, and lectures.

**Funding priorities** include:

- arts programs and projects serving residents of Pelham and (K-12) students and their families in the Pelham and Amherst Regional Public School System
- projects celebrating Pelham's history, culture, and environment
- programs featuring Pelham visual and performing artists, writers, musicians, scientists, historians, or other subject area experts
- programs which feature global perspectives

This year, the Pelham Cultural Council will distribute approximately **\$5,700 in direct-funding grants**. Previously funded projects and performers include:

- a summer youth theater program,
- an engineering and tinkering workshop for kids,
- support for a local ballet studio,
- and a multi-medium, multilocation community art and place-making celebration called *Picturing Pelham*.

The Pelham Cultural Council is part of a network of Local Cultural Councils (LCCs) across the Commonwealth, publicly funded through the Mass Cultural Council (MCC) supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences, and humanities every year. **Enclosed are last year's funded programs.**

For questions or additional information about the **Pelham Cultural Council**, contact John Page at **[pelhamculture@gmail.com](mailto:pelhamculture@gmail.com)**. Applications and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program are available online at **[www.massculturalcouncil.org](http://www.massculturalcouncil.org)**.