



## Support for artists

This document aims to help you decide whether DYCP is the right fund for you and, if it is, what you need to do to apply.

This is an interactive document. Wherever you see this symbol  you can click to activate a link or be taken to the relevant page.

A downloadable planning template is also available on our blog [here](#) 

# This is an overview of the two ACE funds individuals can currently apply to.

## Developing your Creative Practice

## Arts Council National Lottery Project Grants

Only open to individuals

Open to individuals, arts organisations, museums, libraries and other organisations who use the arts in their work

You are at an early to mid-point stage in your practice and you need support to make a major change or carry out a period of focused development work

You may be an emerging artist all the way up to an international touring company. Your project may be creating new work, reaching new audiences, research and development a tour or something totally different

The main beneficiary is you

The main beneficiaries are usually the people engaging with the project

Grants of £2,000 to £10,000

Grants of £1,000 to £100,000

For activities up to one year in length

For projects up to three years in length

There are four deadlines per year

You can apply at any time. There are no deadlines

Decisions on applications take up to nine weeks from the relevant deadline

Decisions on applications for £15,000 or less take six weeks. Decisions on applications for over £15,000 take 12 weeks

You can apply to two rounds within a 12-month period

You can apply at any time (unless you are waiting for a decision on a previous application)

**Which fund should you apply to?**

**Do you need money to help you...**

...develop your

- skills and/or knowledge
- practice
- networks?



...research, plan or make new work which you intend to share with people at some point?



Apply for...

# ACE Developing Your Creative Practice (DYCP)

The next round of DYCP funding **opens on 22nd February 2022** and closes on **15th March 2022**.

This short film explains the scheme:



**Interested in applying?**  
Click here for information  
about the next steps



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# Applying for DYCP

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**I have** applied to Arts Council England using Grantium before and have a user account and profile.





**I have not** applied to Arts Council England using Grantium before.



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# Developing Your Creative Practice (DYCP)

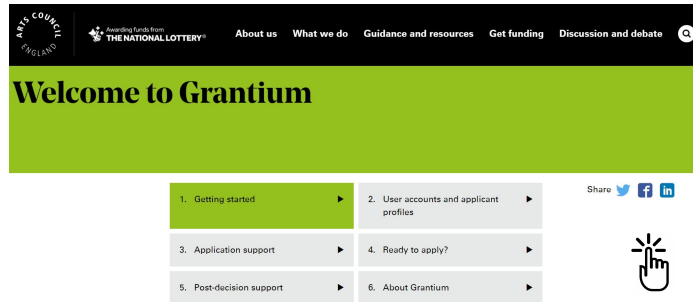
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4. Log in to Grantium to check your user account is working and up to date. Do this at least 10 days before the deadline, in case something needs fixing.
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
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# Quick planning tool for DYCP

What **changes** do you want to make to your skills, your practice or your networks?

**Why** do you want to make these changes? What do you hope will be **the result**?

**What actions** do you need to take to make these changes happen? Will you need other people's input?

What are **the costs** involved in these actions? Will you need equipment, materials, transport or people's time?

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**Back to the blog to download our planning template**

Apply for...

# ACE National Lottery Project Grants

National Lottery Project Grants is a rolling programme. There are no deadlines and you can apply at any time.

From November 2021, there were some changes made to Project Grants. You are now able to apply for up to £30,000 and get your decision within 8 weeks. For applications of over £30,000, the decision will take 12 weeks.

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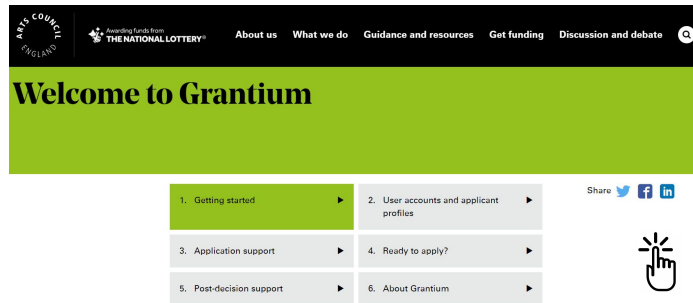


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