



FY2026 Folk and Traditional Arts Apprenticeship Grant Panelist Assessment

Panelists' overall application scores will reflect the following.

Value	Description	Score
Excellent	Application response demonstrates exemplary strategies and has a completely developed description.	91-100
Good	Application response demonstrates effective strategies and includes an adequate description.	81-90
Fair	Application response demonstrates questionable strategies and/or includes a partially developed description.	61-80
Weak	Application response demonstrates ineffective strategies and/or an inadequate description.	0-60

Excellence of the Mentor Artist (maximum 30 points)

- Mentor artist's practice of the traditional art form was learned in the community.
- Mentor artist's work samples demonstrate artistic excellence as defined by the community.
- Mentor artist demonstrates an effective teaching plan based on apprentice's potential.

Excellence of the Apprentice (maximum 30 points)

- Apprentice's current skills in the traditional art form were learned in the community.
- Apprentice's work samples demonstrate potential excellence and representation of the traditional art form.
- Apprentice's capacity to share the traditional art form within the community and beyond.

Apprenticeship Work Plan (maximum 40 points)

- Work plan will advance the apprentice toward excellence in the art form with appropriate schedule of sessions and locations.
- Work plan addresses how the mentor artist will teach knowledge, techniques and stories about the art form to the apprentice.
- Plans for both the mentor artist and apprentice to document progress during the apprenticeship experience.
- Plans for the mentor artist and apprentice to share the traditional art form with their community or the public.