

# GRANTS FOR EUROPE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP SUPPORT YOUR COLLECTION GOALS





## GRANTS FOR INSTITUTIONS IN EUROPE AND THE UNITED KINGDOM

Cultural heritage organizations can sometimes experience challenges meeting the deficits in their funding, stalling their ability to preserve collections and fulfill their cultural missions. By using every resource possible, institutions can maximize their collection's potential and serve their audiences better. That's why we've put together this list of grants.

Many of the grants on this list are annual, so if a due date for a grant your institution is interested in is listed as passed due, it's important to check the granting website for the most up to date information. Good luck in your grant search!

## ROTHSCHILD FOUNDATION

### International

<http://rothschildfoundation.eu/grants/museums/>

The Rothschild Foundation supports the preservation of Jewish Culture around the world. Through multiple annual museum grants, Rothschild funds both traveling and permanent exhibitions, collections management, professional development, and multi-museum exhibition planning.

## OPEN SOCIETY FOUNDATION

### International

<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/>

Open Society Foundation awards grants internationally, mostly to organizations. These grants can vary in allocation, sometimes supporting specific projects and sometimes supporting operating budgets. Applications should focus on social issues, and preserving local cultural heritage. Check out their list of open global grants [here](#).

## TURKISH CULTURAL FOUNDATION

### International

<http://www.turkishculturalfoundation.org/pages.php?ID=27>

The Turkish Cultural Foundation supports international organizations that preserve Turkish culture, both in Turkey and abroad, building cultural bridges between Turkey and other countries, and supporting their youth education program. Their grants have been awarded to museums related to Turkish culture.

## KOREA FOUNDATION

### International

<http://culture360.asef.org/opportunity/korea-foundation-grants-cultural-exchange-projects/>

The Korea Foundation Grant for [Arts and Cultural Exchange](#) and [Support for Overseas Museums](#) grant are specifically for organizations and museums outside of Korea that wish to promote understanding and friendship between Korea and other countries. For more information on this grant, visit [Grants For Cultural Exchange](#).

## DUTCH CULTURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

### International

<http://dutchculture.nl/en/funding>

DutchCulture supports artists and organizations on obtaining funding for international projects in the areas of culture, media, and heritage. Funding for international activities includes foundations, schemes, and programs to which cultural organizations can apply directly.

## KRESS FOUNDATION GRANTS

### International

<http://www.kressfoundation.org/>

The Kress Foundation provides a Digital Resources Grant to help integrate new technologies into arts, and can include supporting foundations of European institutions. Visit them [here](#) for more information on their digital funding programs.



## BANK OF AMERICA ART CONSERVATION PROJECT

### International; Conservation

<http://museums.bankofamerica.com/arts/Conservation>

The Bank of America Art Conservation Project is a unique program that provides grants to nonprofit museums throughout the world in support of projects that conserve historically or culturally significant works of art in danger of degeneration, including works that have been designated as national treasures.

## GLOBAL GIVING

### International

<https://www.globalgiving.org>

Though not a traditional way to secure funding, GlobalGiving allows you to initiate a fundraising campaign online. GlobalGiving makes it easy and safe for donors to give to projects anywhere in the world, while providing nonprofit institutions with the tools, training, and support they need to become more effective.

Museums already using this resource include Tech Museum of Innovation in the USA and the Traditional Arts and Ethnology Centre (TAEC) in Laos.

## WELCOMEUROPE

### Europe

<http://www.welcomeurope.com/>

The CREATIVE EUROPE program for European culture and linguistic diversity targets the cultural and creative sectors looking to operate beyond their country's borders. Nonprofits are eligible to apply, and should feature the promotion of cultural diversity.

Learn more [here](#).

## EUROPEAN CULTURAL FOUNDATION

### Europe

[http://www.welcomeurope.com/european-funds/european-cultural-foundation-ecf-246+146.html#tab=onglet\\_details](http://www.welcomeurope.com/european-funds/european-cultural-foundation-ecf-246+146.html#tab=onglet_details)

The European Cultural Foundation Grant is a program specifically for organizations using their creative potential to generate new social, environmental, economic and democratic models through their cultural practices, including through museum programming, digitization projects, and so forth. To learn more about this program, visit [here](#).

## CREATIVE EUROPE

### Europe

<http://www.europeanheritageawards.eu/>

Nonprofit organizations looking to conserve their museum or working on conservation are eligible to apply for conservation related funding through the [Europa Nostra Award](#).

## CONSERVATION AND REVITALISATION OF CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE

**Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Spain, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia**

<http://eeagrants.org/What-we-do/Programme-areas/Protecting-cultural-heritage/Conservation-and-revitalisation-of-cultural-and-natural-heritage>

The historical value of Europe's cultural heritage is undisputed. The cultural sector is also a significant contributor to economic growth and job creation. However, decades of neglect have left many cultural sites in the beneficiary countries in need of restoration and modernisation. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway's support to cultural heritage programmes in 14 beneficiary countries contributes to conserving and revitalising cultural and natural heritage and improving public accessibility.

## PROMOTION OF DIVERSITY IN CULTURE AND ARTS WITHIN EUROPEAN CULTURAL HERITAGE

**Bulgaria, Spain, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Czech Republic,  
Hungary, Latvia, Portugal, Slovakia**

<http://eeagrants.org/What-we-do/Programme-areas/Protecting-cultural-heritage/Promotion-of-diversity-in-culture-and-arts-within-European-cultural-heritage>

As a result of centuries of exchange and migratory flows, Europeans share a rich cultural heritage. Promoting cultural diversity is essential for strengthening democratic values in Europe and to contribute to economic and social cohesion. Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway support programmes promoting the diversity in culture and arts in ten beneficiary countries. These programmes aim to encourage intercultural dialogue and diversity in the arts.

## THE AMBASSADORS FUND FOR CULTURAL PRESERVATION (AFCP)

### Albania

<https://al.usembassy.gov/education-culture/educational-exchange-programs/ambassadors-fund-cultural-preservation-afcp/>

The AFCP looks to preserve the rich cultural heritage of Albania, and can be used to support preservation projects for cultural sites, and cultural objects and collections. This funding can help to support your collections management strategies, or conservation projects you may be considering. For more information on upcoming dates and submissions, email [CultureandEducationTirana@State.gov](mailto:CultureandEducationTirana@State.gov)



## AADF

### Albania

<http://www.aadf.org/cultural-eco-tourism/>

The Albanian-American Development Foundation focuses on the “rich natural and cultural heritage” of Albania, and looks to develop the economy of surrounding communities. This includes funding the development of strategic management plans for Albania’s cultural heritage sites, such as historic sites and museums. They also feature a program specifically designed to **empower museums through the use of technology**. To learn more about the foundation contact them [here](#).

## CALOUSTE GOLBENKIAN FOUNDATION, PROJECT GRANTS

### Armenia

<https://gulbenkian.pt/en/grant/grants-for-research-projects/>

The Calouste Golbenkian Foundation sponsors several grants, including the Project Grants. These grants are awarded throughout the year. Applications that feature education or the preservation of Armenian culture will be prioritized. For questions, email [carmenias@gulbenkian.pt](mailto:carmenias@gulbenkian.pt).

## KUNST KULTURE

### Austria

<https://www.kunstkultur.bka.gv.at/-/funding-culture>

Austrian grants are provided by the government in order to strengthen Austrian culture and institutions. Kunst Kulture provides multiple grants in order to meet the needs of Austrian regional culture. Check out these grants that provide funding for museums, libraries, and cultural collections:

Förderungen für Museen

Der Österreichische Museumspreis

Förderungen für die Volkskultur

Öffentliches Büchereiwesen

## BALKAN MUSEUMS NETWORK

### The Balkans

<http://bmuseums.net/>

The Balkan Museums Network has multiple funding opportunities for museums in the western Balkans, including this [small museums grant](#). To learn more about their support of cultural institutions and collections, email [aida.vezic@chwb.org](mailto:aida.vezic@chwb.org).

## US SMALL EMBASSY GRANTS PROGRAM

### Belarus

<https://by.usembassy.gov/education-culture/u-s-embassy-small-grants-program/>

This US Embassy Small Grants Program serves the development of civil society in Belarus. Museums who apply must show full project details, and a commitment to the preservation of cultural and natural heritage. All non-government organizations are eligible to apply.

## DAIWA FOUNDATION

### UK and Japan

<http://dajf.org.uk/grants-awards-prizes/daiwa-foundation-small-grants>

The Daiwa Foundation Small Grants funds £2,000-£7,000 to projects looking to create partnership and support between the two countries. Nonprofits are eligible to apply, and this grant is awarded twice each calendar year.

## THE WOLFSONIAN FOUNDATION

### United Kingdom

<http://www.wolfson.org.uk/funding/>

The Wolfsonian Foundation provides annual grants for educational institutions and organizations with collections, and can be used to renovate and improve museums and collections across the UK. In January, 2017, the Foundation was part of a joint funding round of £4 million awarded to 39 museums and galleries across the UK. To learn more about their grants, apply [here](#).

## HERITAGE LOTTERY FUND

### United Kingdom

<https://www.hlf.org.uk/about-us/news-features/museums-and-heritage>

The Heritage Lottery Fund awards grants to all kinds of museums and institutions in the UK, giving over £2 billion to more than 3,500 museum projects since 1994. Grants can be used to update the museum's physical plant, protect collections, support acquisitions, and more.

To learn more about the grants, visit [here](#), and apply [here](#).



## ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND

### United Kingdom

<https://www.artscouncil.org.uk/funding>

In addition to funding £118 million to museums through the Arts Council England 21 Major Partner Museums program, they also award additional strategic funds and grants. Stay tuned to their website to learn more about grants.

## CLORE DUFFIELD FOUNDATION

United Kingdom

<https://www.cloreduffield.org.uk/main-grants>

The Clore Duffield Foundation funds two annual grants, in June and December. The foundation largely supports museums and cultural organizations, and much of the funding goes towards capital projects.

## THE NETHERLAND-AMERICA FOUNDATION

### USA and Netherlands

<http://thenaf.org/naf-programs/cultural-programs/>

The NAF Cultural Programs Grant awards several hundred thousand dollars to organizations looking to create projects and partnerships between the two countries. In 2013, they awarded \$169,000 for 30 grants to support exhibitions. Proposals are reviewed four times a year.

## PARTNERING WITH GALLERY SYSTEMS

To help make better collections management a reality and strengthen public engagement in your collections, Gallery Systems offers software to help you manage collections of any size or type and allow you to dynamically publish information to your website, intranet, and kiosks. At Gallery Systems, we have assisted a number of institutions with their successful grant applications and we would be happy to guide you through the process. To learn more, contact us at <https://www.gallerysystems.com/contact/>.

