Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment
Application Guidelines

Grant proposals are due on Monday, August 1, 2016.

Winning projects will be announced prior to Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, on Friday, September 30, 2016

Mission Statement:
The Howard B. and Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Fund serves to encourage artistic creativity within a Jewish context by aiding individual artists or organizations in creating works with a Jewish theme.

Application Requirements/Guidelines:
- Proposals are welcome that request support for artistic creativity with Jewish content. Applications by individual artists or organizations within the Minnesota artistic and Jewish communities are emphasized. Applicants may be Jewish or Gentile as long as the content of the proposed project is Jewish. Intended audiences may be Jewish, Gentile, or both but must be located within Minnesota, with a possible reach to the upper Midwest (touring shows, for example, are welcome).

- The arts are broadly defined; applications emphasizing music, dance, literature, theatre, visual artists, or film are welcome.

- Submit a clear description of the project including:
  1. How the project addresses the Howard B. and Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Fund’s mission of creating works with a Jewish theme.
  2. An explanation of how residents of Minnesota and/or the Upper Midwest will benefit from the work and how the work will be made available to these communities. (For example, if you are writing short stories of Jewish teens, explain where you would be offering a reading in Minnesota).
  3. An explanation of how the applicant can carry out the proposed project describing previous experience in creating, producing, or sponsoring other artistic work.

The art pictured above shows the face of a very rare coin from Howard Brin’s collection of ancient Jewish coins. One of the earliest designed Jewish images, it is an inspiration for the Brin Jewish Arts Endowment. Minted in 131 CE during the Jewish state’s revolt led by Bar Kokhba against Roman Rule, the coin depicts a large amphora with ribbed body and two handles for storing liquids surrounded by the Hebrew inscription: “Year One of the Redemption of Israel.”
4. A description of the time frame for the project. Note, the project may not start before October 2, 2016, the Jewish New Year.

5. A project budget with both expense and income. **Grant awards range from $500 to $10,000.**

6. A statement of where else you are seeking funding.

- Provide a brief example of your work. **Only electronic work samples will be accepted***. When providing samples, please use the following formats:
  - For **Performing Arts** embed a Vimeo link into your application
  - For **Fine Arts** samples attach photos in jpg, pdf, or gif format
  - For **Audio** samples please **embed a link** to your online work into your application – the link can be thru Vimeo, a personal website, or another place as long as it links to a free and easily accessible location.

***If questions about attaching work samples please contact us.***

**Additional Information**

- The fund does not accept proposals from students.

- The fund may not be used to cover travel costs.

- If you were funded in the previous year you must wait one year to apply.

- **Monday, August 1, 2016 is the deadline for grant proposals.**

- To access and submit proposals go to [http://jewishminneapolis.org/](http://jewishminneapolis.org/)

- Proposals will be reviewed by the Fund’s allocations committee comprised of relatives of Howard B. and Ruth F. Brin, art experts, and representatives of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation.

**If accepted, awardees will be required to:**

- Acknowledge support from the Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Fund using the Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Fund **logo** in all publicity, programs, catalogues or written material, and interviews about this project. The Minneapolis Jewish Federation will provide the logo to grant recipients.

- Acknowledge support from the Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Fund using the following **wording**: *This project was made possible with support from the Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment, a fund of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation’s Foundation.*
• Submit a narrative **evaluation** to the Foundation at the conclusion of the project and attach any kind of publicity or program that was produced. The report should include an estimate of the number and response of those who saw or participated in the project, if there was an audience or viewers.

**Administration:**
The Fund is a designated fund of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation’s Jewish Community Foundation.

**To Learn More:**
Log onto [www.jewishminneapolis.org](http://www.jewishminneapolis.org) highlight Resources, click on *Grants* and scroll down to Howard B. & Ruth F. Brin Jewish Arts Endowment Grants. You can also contact the Community Impact Department of the Minneapolis Jewish Federation at 952-417-2314 or email CommunityImpact@jewishminneapolis.org.