# REACH OUT ARTS (ROA) PROJECT GRANT GUIDELINES

#### **Grant Objectives**

The Reach Out Arts (ROA) Project Grant supports projects that apply, disseminate, engage with, draw upon, or expand the philosophies and approaches of Dr John Diamond MD.

The grant encourages both emerging and experienced arts and health practitioners, educators and researchers to engage in projects that will support the activation and dissemination of these approaches (for more information visit Dr John Diamond's <u>website</u>).

The grant scheme supports a range of activities, including community outreach initiatives, classes, workshops, research, publications, resource development, professional development, and any other initiatives that are in line with the grant's objectives.

### **Available Funding**

Successful applicants will receive a grant of up to \$5,000 to be spent within one calendar year of the transfer of funds (for larger grants or longer grant periods, please discuss with the ROA Executive Director).

Grant applications are considered on a rolling basis, and can be submitted by applicants at any time. Applicants may be recipients of more than one grant, but must demonstrate their capacity to complete the projects in the given one-year time frame.

## Eligibility

Applicants may come from any field, discipline or practice, with any level of expertise or experience. Applicants must demonstrate their ability to undertake and complete the project successfully, and align their project with the aims of the grant.

The Board prioritises projects that demonstrate a tangible outcome, engage new participants and audiences, and/or that have the potential for sustained benefit and impact. Funding can also be used for professional development, research and networking or presenting opportunities, if they align with the grant program objectives.

### How to Apply

Applications need to be submitted using the ROA Project Grant Application Template. All sections of the application form need to be complete for the grant to be considered. Applicants can apply at any time as project applications are considered by the ROA Board on a rolling basis. However, we request applications are submitted in a timely fashion sufficiently far in advance of the commencement of the proposed project to allow Board suitable time to fairly review the Application.

# NB: It is highly recommended that prospective applicants first discuss their proposed project with the Executive Director or a member of the ROA Board in order to ensure their project aligns with the aims of the Grant Program.

# **Completion Report**

Successful projects will submit a Completion Report no later than 60 days after the end of the grant period (unless negotiated otherwise), based on the ROA Project Grant Completion Report Template. This will include:

- General project summary
- Number and type of participants (where relevant); and forms of engagement
- Impacts and outcomes for participants and project leader, in line with the aims of the grant
- Summary of the final timeline of the project
- Final budget and justification of expenditure
- Reflection on the program, including successes, challenges and lessons learnt.

For any enquiries, and to submit a completed application form, please contact: Dr. Peter C. Muir, Executive Director, Reach Out Arts on +1 845 554-2077; mail@reachoutarts.org