

COVID-19 Emergency Grant 2021

This form is for dramatists (playwrights, composers, lyricists, and librettists) to apply for emergency financial assistance from the Dramatists Guild Foundation due to Covid-19 related circumstances.

Eligibility Form

Please choose the option that applies to you:

- I am a member of the Dramatists Guild of America, the Playwrights' Center, New Dramatists, the Lark, or the BMI Musical Theater Workshop.
- I have attended an MFA program in playwriting or musical theater writing.
- I have received monetary compensation for my writing a play or musical for the American theater
- My play or musical has been presented for an audience of ticket-buyers
- More than one of the above
- None of the above.

Eligibility Status

If you have selected None of the Above, you unfortunately do not meet the eligibility requirements for a DGF Emergency Grant. Please see The Actors Fund, The Authors League, or PEN America for similar funding opportunities

Application Form

One of the intentions of the Dramatists Guild Foundation (DGF) is to assist writers in times of extreme personal hardship. The questions below are to assist DGF in evaluating your situation. Please be assured that all information furnished by you will be kept in strict confidence.

**indicates a required field*

Preferred Name*:

Legal Name (if different from preferred name):

Pronouns (e.g. she/hers, they/them, he/his, etc.):*

Current Mailing Address*

Street (e.g. 123 Main Street, #1A):

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Email Address*:

Phone Number*:

Age*:

Are you a member of the Dramatists Guild of America*?

- Yes
- No
- Previously

Financial State

In this section, please answer the questions below to give us an overview of your finances.

Please specify any present sources and amounts of income. *
(These may include wages, pensions, dividends, interest payments, royalties, etc.)

Do you have any of the following accounts? Please check all that apply.

- Checking
- Savings, Money Market, etc.
- Business bank account
- Other payment accounts (Venmo, PayPal, CashApp, etc.)

Do you own securities, stocks, bonds, real estate, or other investments? *

- Yes
- No

Do you live in a two-income household?*

- Yes
- No
- Other

What was your total individual income last month?* \$ _____

Are you currently receiving Social Security benefits?*

- Yes
- No

Are you currently receiving unemployment benefits?*

- Yes
- No
- I do not qualify
- I have not been able to get through to the unemployment office

Do you have dependents?*

- Yes
- No

Career Information

In this section, please tell us about your career writing for the stage.

Have you written/are you writing for the American theatre? Please provide details*:

Please include in your submitting this application, any document that confirms your career as a writer for the American theater. You can also email this document to applications@dgf.org.*

Examples: A stage resume, an original script for the theater, a libretto, a musical score inclusive of lyrics, press clippings, a program from a staged performance, or verification of DGA membership.

Please note: We cannot accept scripts written for television or film. Please include the title and your full name on the cover page of your work. You may submit scripts/scores for works that have not been produced. DGF reserves the right to verify your documentation.

Your Emergency

In this section of the application, please tell us about the emergency you are currently facing.

Please check all that apply regarding the nature of your emergency.* *It is assumed that all applicants have been impacted by COVID-19.*

- Medical
- Housing
- Living expenses (groceries, utilities, transportation, etc.)
- Dependent care
- Natural Disaster Relief (not COVID-19)

Please outline the nature of your current emergency. Please be as specific as possible.*

Please indicate the amount of financial assistance you are requesting.* \$ _____

Please provide a detailed breakdown of how you plan to use this grant.*

Please include in your submitting this application, any document(s) verifying your status/request. You can also email this document to applications@dgf.org.*

This may include medical bills, termination notices, contracts, utility bills, rent receipts, etc. You may submit formal documents if you have them--if not, other written correspondence such as emails will suffice.

Have you received a DGF Emergency Grant(s) prior to March 12, 2020? *

- Yes
- No

Have you received a DGF Emergency Grant(s) since March 12, 2020? *

- Yes
- No

Have you received support from any other institution since March 12, 2020? *
(e.g. Authors League Fund, Actors Fund, etc.)

- Yes
- No

How did you learn of the Dramatists Guild Foundation?

- Dramatists Guild of America
- dgf.org
- Facebook
- Instagram
- Other:

May DGF share your application with organizations that offer similar emergency funding?* *Your application would be shared in an effort to ensure you receive additional support. Your application will remain confidential within our organizations.*

- Yes
- No

I understand that application processing times may vary. DGF appreciates your patience as we work quickly to support the many artists in need at this time.*

Additional Information (optional)

We hope you will answer the following questions. The information you provide will help us raise funds to continue supporting writers like you. This information will not impact DGF's review of your request.

DGF does not and shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, gender expression, age, national origin, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status, in any of its activities or operations

What is your age?

- Under 20
- 20-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50-59
- 60-69
- 70-79
- 80 or older

Do you consider yourself a member of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and/or Queer community?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

What is your gender?

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary / third gender
- Prefer to self-describe: _____
- Do not identify as female, male, or transgender
- Prefer not to say

Do you identify as transgender?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer to self-describe: _____
- Prefer not to say

What is your sexual orientation?

- Gay or Lesbian
- Bisexual
- Heterosexual/Straight
- Prefer to self-describe
- Prefer not to say

With which racial and ethnic group(s) do you identify? Please select as many are applicable to you.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian/Asian American
- Black/African American
- Hispanic/Latinx
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Non-Hispanic White
- Unknown
- Not listed or prefer to self-describe: _____
- Prefer not to answer

What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

- Less than high school diploma
- High school degree or equivalent
- Bachelor's degree (e.g. BA, BS)
- Master's degree (e.g. MA, MS, MEd)
- Doctorate (e.g. PhD, EdD)
- Other

Do you identify as a military veteran or service member?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to answer

I certify that the above is correct and complete. I understand that any grant may need to be disclosed as part of the Dramatists Guild Foundation's public filing. *