

The Gill Local Cultural Council (LCC) 2023 Survey

Each year, the Gill Cultural Council reviews proposals and distributes grant funds that support arts and culture in our region. Your input helps the volunteers on the Council make funding decisions that reflect the interests of the residents of Gill. We greatly appreciate you taking the time to answer the following questions:

1- What current Gill LCC-sponsored arts and cultural programs or services are you already aware of and feel are important to maintain?

2- In your opinion, what defines or describes a "Cultural Activity"?

3- How might artists, musicians, performers, authors, historians, naturalists, and other creatives enliven our community? Please share your ideas.

4- How do you hear about cultural activities that interest you? (Check any that apply.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Local newspapers | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandwich Board on Town Common or elsewhere |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Notices at the library | <input type="checkbox"/> Schools |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local news websites | <input type="checkbox"/> Cable access channel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Word of mouth | <input type="checkbox"/> Town newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media (Facebook, etc) | <input type="checkbox"/> Flyers on Community bulletin boards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Town website | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ |

5- In the past five years have you attended a cultural program (arts, music, dance, literature, humanities, etc.) that was funded in part or in whole by the Gill Cultural Council?

6- Recently the Gill LCC's funding priorities have been as follows:

Funded projects should:

- create ample opportunities for cultural/artistic expression and experience for all residents
- provide a mix of both live and on-line events
- engage a variety of performers, artists, historians, naturalists, speakers, musicians and workshop presenters
- be generated by a Gill resident or in partnership with an organization or venue in Gill or an adjoining town
- seek diverse sources of funding and be clear on how the project will proceed with less than full funding.

Do you believe we have made this clear in our publicity and our communications to applicants?

Yes, quite clear Yes, reasonably clear No, not very clear No, not at all clear

7- How would you like to see the Gill Cultural Council use its resources to support Culture in Gill and in our region?

8- Do you, as a Gill resident, prefer programs funded by the Gill Cultural Council to be programs organized by either Gill residents or other Gill entities (such as the Ag Commission or the Recreation Committee), or do you prefer programs funded by the Gill Cultural Council to be programs organized by outside organizations or artists who bring their programs to Gill and the surrounding area?

9- What should be the most important priorities for our Gill LCC funding? Please rank at least your top three recommendations, with "1" for most important, "2" for the next, etc.

- Nature, science, environmental education projects
- Arts education in the schools
- Restoration or preservation projects
- Communitywide gatherings: festivals, concerts, plays
- Projects celebrating local history, cultural diversity
- Local cable programming
- Other: _____

10- Is there a particular population segment we should aim to reach through public funding of cultural projects? Please rank at least your top three recommendations, with "1" for most important, "2" for the next, etc.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Families |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teens | <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Low-income | <input type="checkbox"/> People with disabilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communities of color | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigrant communities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single adults | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

11- Are you an artist, historian, craftsperson, writer, musician, theatre artist, cultural teacher, presenter, or other cultural practitioner who lives or works in Gill?

- Professional
- Non-Professional
- Your Field(s) _____

(Optional) Please indicate your name and contact information if you would like us to be in touch about grants deadlines and other information about cultural activities in Gill or funded by the Gill Cultural Council. Or just to let us know you're here and part of our cultural community!

12- Other Comments or Suggestions for the Gill Cultural Council:

Thank you for participating in this survey! Mail or drop off the completed survey to:
Gill LCC, Town Hall, 325 Main Rd. Gill MA 01354, ideally by April 1, 2023.