

**UPDATED: NATIONAL ARTS COUNCIL 2021 Call for Funding Results
10 December 2021**

The National Arts Council of South Africa (NAC) is pleased to announce the last two of the eight art disciplines, Multidiscipline and Music.

This is subsequent to the release of the six art disciplines namely: Craft, Dance, Literature, Theatre, Visual Arts and International Bursaries on the 4th of December. The NAC issued this call for funding on the 27th of August 2021.

A total of 4,170 applications worth over a billion rands were received by the closing date on 20th of September 2021. See table below for the summary of applications received:

Table 1: Applications received and the Rand Value

Art Discipline	No. of Applications received	Value of Applications Received (R)
Bursary	150	46 150 604
Craft	382	103 795 994
Dance	232	68 014 023
Literature	271	71 815 740
Multidiscipline	1 306	429 348 241
Music	977	277 761 537
Theatre	424	131 093 604
Visual Arts	428	124 202 242
TOTAL	4 170	1 250 191 336

The increased number of applications received is a result of the efforts by the NAC Council responding to industry requests to relax stringent application requirements that become barriers to apply for funding for most artists.

As indicated above, the total value of the 4 170 applications received amounted to R1 250 191 335.77. This was against the available budget of R27 538 844, which was apportioned across all the art disciplines to be funded as per the table below (Table 2)

Table 2: Budget allocated per Art Discipline

Art Discipline	Budget (R)
Bursary	3 938 723
Craft	2 289 245
Dance	2 860 233
Literature	2 610 233
Multidiscipline	5 720 466
Music	4 649 478
Theatre	2 860 233
Visual Arts	2 610 233
TOTAL	27 538 8444

Table 3: Total number of applications shortlisted against received

Art Discipline	Applications Received	Applications shortlisted for Panel Review
Bursary	150	35
Craft	382	191
Dance	232	159
Literature	271	86
Multidiscipline	1306	401
Music	977	383
Theatre	424	281
Visual Arts	428	78
TOTAL	4170	1614

Due to the limited budget available (R27.5 million), against the total Rand value of applications received (R1.2 billion), Independent Panels were further provided with guidelines for the final selection of successful applicants.

After a diligent process of adjudication by Panels, Council received and approved the submission by the Panel of Chairs Committee as per the table 4 below:

Table 4: Total number of applications approved

Discipline	Received	Rejected by Admin	Adjudicated by Panels	Approved		
				Total	Indiv.	Org.
Bursary	150	116	34	18	18	n/a
Craft	382	191	191	20	6	14
Dance	232	75	159	41	16	25
Literature	271	181	86	52	23	29
Multidiscipline	1 306	801	505	45	19	26
Music	977	536	441	50	13	37
Theatre	424	172	245	41	25	16
Visual Arts	428	291	100	32	22	10
TOTAL	4 170	2 363	1 761	299	142	157

The table below (Table 5) depicts the total number of approved applications per Province. **Where the number is zero, it either means applications were declined at administrative compliance or were declined by the Panels**

Table 5: Number of applications approved per Province for eight disciplines

Discipline	Applications approved per Province								
	EC	FS	GP	KZN	LIM P	MP	NC	NW	WC
Bursary	1	0	6	3	0	0	2	1	5
Craft	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	2
Dance	2	3	11	2	2	1	3	5	12
Literature	3	1	16	7	15	2	0	3	5
Multidiscipline	6	3	10	4	2	5	4	2	9
Music	7	1	12	7	7	4	2	2	8
Theatre	5	5	8	6	3	1	2	6	5
Visual Arts	2	1	13	11	1	0	0	0	4

We wish to thank the sector for positively responding to this call and submitting their creative proposals.

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