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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE CAHA FY 2022 Grant Cycle Opens Call for Applications

[Hagåtna, Guam, May 25, 2021] – The Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities a.k.a. CAHA announces the opening of its FY 2022 Grant Cycle. Applications for Grants and Fellowships are currently being accepted in the following disciplines: Artsin-Education, Folk Arts, Media Arts, Performing Arts, Underserved, Visual Arts and Special Projects (i.e. Humanities and Literature, etc.) Project period for the FY 2022 Grant Cycle is October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.

Special preference will be given to projects that fall within the following grant lines:

- 1. Arts & Humanities in Times of Crisis Literature and the arts have always held a prominent place in helping to define who we are as human beings and in enriching our lives. This is all the more apparent during moments of crisis, like the current COVID-19 pandemic. CAHA is soliciting projects from individuals and groups that consider the role and value of their particular practice during times of crisis. Interpretations of the role the arts and humanities play in society during challenging times.
- 2. **Keeping your distance** Exhibitions, showcases, concerts, recitals, book readings and poetry slams all require an audience. How do artists present our work to the community while keeping our distance? CAHA is soliciting projects from individuals and groups who utilize technology such as Internet streaming, podcasts, broadcast mediums, and other vehicles to bring the product of their particular practice to the community while keeping their distance.
- 3. Sustaining the Arts & Humanities With resources stretched to the limit, how can artists make their practice more sustainable? CAHA is soliciting projects that make use of recycled/reused materials and/or natural resources found in Guam. How can artists participate in a circular economy? This grant line also is open to projects that use or discuss the theme of "Sustainability" in their art form.
- 4. **Arts & Humanities, Identity and Social Justice** In "The Art of Social Justice," Maria X. Martinez states: "Artists not only document social change; they promote, inform and shape it. Whether through music, plays, graphics, paintings, songs, films, media, architecture, textiles, jewelry, photography, poetry, sculpture, pottery, landscapes, written word, spoken word, or dance, art is powerful. . . Art is the intellectual underpinnings of social change; nowhere is there more potential and more need for art than here and now." Artists and their art can promote social justice, mitigate disparities, bring people together, and build healthy neighborhoods. CAHA is seeking projects that demonstrate this

In lieu of the required person-to-person grant workshop and to be eligible to receive a grant, it is <u>mandatory</u> that all applicants watch the CAHA Grant Workshop PowerPoint slide show. The PowerPoint slideshow, and grant materials can be found at https://guamcouncilontheartsandhumanities.submittable.com/submit. Deadline to submit applications with supporting materials to CAHA is 11:59 p.m. on July 30, 2021 via the Submittable platform. For further information, contact Jackie Balbas, Acting Executive Director at 300-1204 to 300-1208 or via email at info@caha.guam.gov.

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