

# Art Lives يحييا الفن

Emergency Initiative to Support Arab Arts Practitioners

## General Guidelines and FAQs



### **Is there a specific timeframe for the Art Lives Initiative?**

This is an exceptional initiative which aims to provide support for 85 artists in total.

### **What does the Art Lives Initiative offer?**

The Art Lives Initiative offers two kinds of support:

- **Healthcare Support:** To provide emergency healthcare support to 35 artists from different artistic fields and age groups, enabling them to look after their physical and psychological health in the short term.
- **Livelihood Support:** To provide livelihood support for 50 artists from different artistic fields and age groups, and who have lost work and income due to the Covid-19 outbreak.

### **What is the amount of support?**

The amount of support is determined based on the needs of each beneficiary. We estimate that the initiative will provide each beneficiary with a sum ranging between \$1500 and \$2500. This will be a one-time contribution to each artist and their family.

### **Is there a specific criterion for how to spend the supporting amount?**

That decision is only up to the beneficiary.

### **How can we apply to Art Lives?**

Application to the Art Lives Initiative is open all year. All you have to do is fill out an application form and send it to one of the following email addresses:

For Healthcare Support: [artlives@ettijahat.org](mailto:artlives@ettijahat.org)

For Livelihood Support: [artlives@act4hope.org](mailto:artlives@act4hope.org)

### **Will I receive a confirmation that my application form has been received?**

You can be sure that we have received your application when you are sent a **Received Application Notice**. If you don't receive this automatic response, please re-send your application.

### **What is the selection process?**

Every two weeks, applications will be reviewed and assessed by a joint committee of members from all three institutions, including independent jurors whose names will be announced once the initiative has ended. They will study applications periodically, and contact beneficiaries to inform them of their decision.

### **What are the criteria of evaluation?**

The process of approving applications and offering support is based on the following criteria:

- The economic status of the applicant, and the average cost of living in their place of residence
- The artist's physical and psychological state
- The artist's personal conditions and the extent of their fragility

**What is the process of follow up and documentation after receiving support?**

The initiative adopts a flexible framework of follow up and support, which takes into account the personal conditions of beneficiaries:

- Electronic signatures are accepted for agreements, in cases where applicants are unable to print documents
- Beneficiaries are not required to provide any receipts after receiving support. Their only task will be to answer a few questions aimed at future assessment of the programme's efficiency
- Support can be spent as quickly or urgently as possible after final approval

**Are artistic institutions, initiatives, and artistic collectives allowed to apply to Art Lives?**

This initiative is focused on individual artists and their dependants. A member of the artist's family is able to apply on their behalf, provided they include an explanation of why this decision was made.

**Can beneficiaries of the Art Lives Initiative apply for support more than once?**

No.

**Can beneficiaries of other programmes from Ettijahat, Action For Hope, and Mophradat apply to the Art Lives Initiative?**

Yes.

**Will the names of Art Lives beneficiaries be publicly announced?**

The names of this initiative's beneficiaries will not be announced. Their privacy and private information will be safeguarded.