Apteryx Media

Please find below a list of places to find grant, fellowship and project funding for writers, journalists, media professionals, Film & television.

General Comments

Some organizations make opportunities available for working professionals. Below are resources we're aware of in creative arts, film, journalism, media and television.

These opportunities can be internships, prizes, professional development, or project funding.

Some databases are freely searchable while others are subscription only. Here we're presenting a set of databases that are freely available to use. We recommend you create your profile and enable alerts for the grants, scholarships and opportunities that match your interests, experience, and specific field(s). Some databases will send you regular updates, and for the most convenient ones you can set a regular update period (such as weekly) others notify those registered as opportunities are released.

A wide (but not inappropriately so) set of search terms, and developing a regular habit of reading through opportunities on e.g. on alternate mornings or evenings is time-intensive, but often pays you back in identifying novel and interesting openings that you quality for, which you may otherwise have missed.

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WARNING: Many US programs are suspended and/or their eligibility requirements have changed. You will need to check carefully as to the status of American opportunities.

- **African Women's Development Fund (AWDF)**:
  - Grants and funds that support African women's rights and feminist organizations.
- **Alfred Friendly Press Partners Fellowships**:
  - Supports fellowships for early-career journalists from developing countries to live and work in the USA for six months..
- **Bertha Challenge**:
  - Supports investigative journalists and activists on pressing social justice issues, annual Fellowships.
- **Canadian Council for the Arts**:
  - Wide array of support mechanisms from individual to organizations, offering project and grant funding, fellowships, prizes and awards.
- **Doc Society Climate Story Fund**:
  - Creative and documentary projects on climate, climate change, and solutions.
- **Earth Journalism Network (EJN) Grants**:
  - Supports environmental journalism.
- **Eisenhower Fellowships**:
  - Opportunities available for mid-career leaders from various fields, including STEM, media and communications and performing arts, to the U.S.A..
- **Ford Foundation's Just Films**:
  - Grants for documentary films and media projects (focus on DEI)
- **Global Forum for Media Development (GFMD)**:
  - Grants, funding and training in media, and journalism.
- Global Investigative Journalism Network
  - Global, regional and local opportunities for journalists
- **Hii Stage Fund (Kenya)**:

  - Grants for Kenyan performing arts and film, up to €15,000.
- **Hot Docs-Blue Ice Docs Fund**:
  - Supports African documentary filmmakers focus is on emerging African documentary makers.
- **Hubert Bals Fund**:
  - For filmmakers from Africa, Asia, and Latin America.
- **IDFA Bertha Fund**:
  - For documentary film makers from Africa, Asia, and Latin America.
- **International Center for Journalists (ICFJ)**:
  - Wide array of grants and training opportunities for journalists. Opportunities are global, and regional.
- **MacArthur Foundation**:
  - Funding for non-profit reporting and citizen-centered/community-based media projects.
- **National Geographic Society Grants**:
  - Multiple global grants, fellowships and internships for storytellers, educators, and scientists.
- **Next Narrative Africa Fund**:
  - Film and television projects supporting African people (in Africa, and abroad) for script development.
- **Nieman Foundation Fellowships at Harvard University**:
  - Harvard's one-yer academic-year fellowship for journalists
- **Pulitzer Center Grants**:
  - To report on relevant global issues with impact, that have been under-recognized.
- **RCDIJ Africa Fund**:
  - Investigative journalism projects across Africa (up to $10,000)

- **Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism Fellowships**:
  - A fully funded fellowship for mid-career journalists at Oxford.
- **Rory Peck Trust**:
  - Global fund that supports training and provides funds to freelance journalists.
- **Solutions Journalism**:
  - Funding, training, networking, and resources for journalists to start or upgrade journalism project.
- **The Open Society Foundation**:
  - Grants and fellowships and grants for human rights, justice, and governance initiatives, particularly with a focus on communications.
- **The Rele Art Foundation**:
  - Grants and mentorship opportunities for African artists, primarily contemporary art.
- **The World Press Photo Foundation**:
  - Offers an annual grant to support photojournalists and documentary photographers.