

2023 SCANDINAVIAN FOLK ARTS & CULTURAL TRADITIONS IN THE UPPER MIDWEST

New York, NY—The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) is pleased to announce the opening of its 7th annual competition for **Scandinavian Folk Arts & Cultural Traditions in the Upper Midwest** (North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa and the Upper Peninsula of Michigan). Through these fellowships and grants, ASF extends its reach beyond New York to foster the perpetuation of Scandinavian traditional arts and skills in the Upper Midwest of the U.S., while also promoting cultural exchange between the U.S. and Nordic region.

Two kinds of awards are available – **fellowships for artists** and **grants for public programs and community projects**. All of our grants encourage both the practice of folk arts and cultures and the presentation of these arts to public audiences.

Deadline: September 1, 2023 at 11:59 pm CDT

To read guidelines and submit an application, [please click here!](#)



—IMAGE: Photo by Natalie Norman (2018 Artist Fellow) of a Fritt broderi course taught at Gammelgården Museum of Scandia, Minnesota

FELLOWSHIPS FOR ARTISTS

Fellowships for artists deepen the skills of master artists; foster relationships among masters of artistic and technical skills and their apprentices, thereby encouraging the development of traditional skills as well as the perpetuation of skills from generation to generation; and encourage the awareness of folk traditions by creating innovative projects with wide visibility and public appeal.

GRANTS FOR PUBLIC PROGRAMS & COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Grants for public programs and community projects encourage the preservation of Scandinavian cultural traditions through the support of community festivals, celebrations, and heritage events as well as workshops, performances, classes, and demonstrations. Applicants for public programs grants must be nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations.

THE AMERICAN-SCANDINAVIAN FOUNDATION

The American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) promotes firsthand exchange of intellectual and creative influence between the United States and the Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden. A publicly supported American nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization, ASF has an extensive program of fellowships, grants, intern/trainee sponsorship, publishing, and cultural activities. Headquartered in New York City, ASF has members throughout the United States, and alumni and donors worldwide. For more information, please visit amscan.org.

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