



**Doris Duke Foundation: Performing Arts Technologies Lab**  
**Fiscal Sponsorship Resources**

**Do I need a fiscal sponsor when applying or only if accepted into the lab?**

If you are applying as an individual, a collective or an entity that is not a registered 501(c)(3), you do not need a fiscal sponsor to apply, but you will need one if your project is selected for funding.

The Doris Duke Foundation can only award grants for this program to organizations that have 501(c)(3) tax exempt status. A fiscal sponsor is a nonprofit organization that agrees to assume legal and financial oversight for a charitable activity or project that does not have its own tax-exempt status. Fiscal sponsorship fees will be an allowable expense as part of a grant budget and the need for this cost will be considered in determining grant size.

We can address questions about fiscal sponsorship as potential grantees have them. Please email us at [artsRFP@dorisduke.org](mailto:artsRFP@dorisduke.org).

If you want to learn more about what a fiscal sponsor does, the process of engaging one, and/or about some of the organizations that offer this service, please see this [link](#).

The foundation does not require grantees to work with specific fiscal sponsors, so we encourage you to explore your options.

Examples of organizations that offer this service are as follows.

*Please note: This is not a comprehensive list and DDF does not endorse any specific fiscal sponsors. It is a starting point for your research in finding the right partner if you are awarded the grant.*

- Alternate ROOTS\*
- Dance Films Association
- Foundation for Independent Artists
- The Field

- Fractured Atlas
- National Performance Network
- NEO Philanthropy
- New York Foundation for the Arts
- Public Media, Inc.

*\*Eligibility requirement: To apply for fiscal sponsorship, applicants must have been a member of Alternate ROOTS for at least one year.*