

# FAQs



## Do you offer pre-application support?

We are a very small team and so we do not have the resources to give any guidance before you make a Stage 1 application. If you are invited to make a Stage 2 application, you will have the opportunity to seek clarification on anything you are unsure about.

## What are our chances of success?

Submitting a Stage 1 application will not necessarily lead to an invitation to make a Stage 2 application; and submitting a Stage 2 application does not guarantee that a grant will be awarded as we receive many more applications than we have the funds to support.

## Do you give feedback on unsuccessful applications?

No feedback is given to unsuccessful applicants at Stage 1, as we simply do not have the capacity to do so. We try to give feedback to unsuccessful Stage 2 applicants if there is something helpful we can share with you; but sometimes it will simply be a case of us having to make hard choices; there is nothing wrong with your application, but we just do not have the funds to support all of the organisations who apply to us.

## When can we reapply?

If your application is unsuccessful, at either Stage 1 or Stage 2, please leave at least 12 months before applying again. If your application is successful and you receive a multi-year grant, please leave a minimum of two years before approaching Scops Arts Trust for further funding. If you receive a one-year grant and our Trustees consider continuation funding appropriate, they will discuss this with you towards the end of the funded period.

## Timeline

To help with your planning, please be aware that the application and assessment process takes approximately 10 weeks. The Board of Trustees' meeting dates are advertised on our website, along with the application deadlines, but generally these meetings are held in March, July and November.

