



Music BC Travel Grant FAQ's

1) My tour starts before the deadline date; can I still apply for funding?

Yes, as long as you submit your application BEFORE you leave for your tour.

2) Do I need to be a Music BC member to apply for the Music BC Travel Grants?

No, the Music BC Travel Grants are available to all BC based artists and BC based companies and individuals undertaking business travel activities in support of the BC music community. Please see our guidelines for more information on eligible applicants.

3) What is a marketing plan?

Every artist should have a marketing plan regardless if they are applying for loans or grants as it is an integral part of planning out your career path, and will constantly be referred to by yourself and your team, to ensure you are all working together. Essentially, in a grant application process, the jury will be reviewing your marketing plan to ensure that you have realistic goals, and how the tour/showcase/promo fits into that plan and those goals.

For tips on writing your marketing plan, click [HERE](#).

4) How much should I pay my musicians?

If they have not specified what their performance fees are, we suggest phoning the Vancouver Musician's Association, or the Victoria Musician's Association to get the current union rates for musicians, so you have a number to base your fees on.

Vancouver Musician's Association (AF of M local 145) – www.vma145.ca 604-737-1110

Victoria Musician's Association – (AF of M, Local 247) – www.afm247.com 250-385-3954

5) Can I include costs for purchasing equipment or vehicles?

No. Only rental vehicles for your proposed tour are eligible.

6) How can I calculate fuel expenses for my budget?

If using your own vehicle, the per km vehicle rate allowed is \$.50/km. Please note this rate includes fuel, so no additional gas receipts may be submitted. You will need to include a breakdown of km driven.

7) Can I email or fax my application in?

No. All applications must be submitted online via the Music BC website. Music BC will not accept applications or support materials in person, by fax or by email.

8) What is an acceptable amount for per diems?

The maximum eligible amount in a Music BC Travel Grant is \$50 but the total amount is entirely up to you and where you will be touring. In the past we have seen per diems range from \$25-\$50 per day. For example, some international tours where you will be traveling through some countries where the exchange rate is lower, or items are more expensive, you will have to adjust your per diem, as your daily essential expenses increase.