

The Joan Mitchell Foundation
Career Opportunity Grant Initiative
for Painters and Sculptors in New Orleans

The Joan Mitchell Foundation is pleased to announce a new initiative to support New Orleans based opportunities for painters and sculptors living and working in the Gulf Coast area

Funding available during this grant cycle is designed to provide artists with the financial assistance necessary to take advantage of specific opportunities and/or to participate in projects that will have a significant positive impact on their artistic careers.

The Foundation hopes that based on the timing of this initiative artists will be able to take advantage of the influx of art enthusiasts, collectors, critics and curators expected in New Orleans between November 2008 and January 2009.

The Foundation will consider any application in which the artist can substantiate how this opportunity will have a beneficial effect on his or her professional growth. The artist must be able to explain how this project is a unique opportunity and does not duplicate experiences from the course of his or her ongoing work.

Awards will be based on the quality of the artist's work and the value of the proposed project or opportunity. The final determination for specific funding will be based on financial need of the recipients. The maximum amount of funding to be awarded to an individual artist or collaborative team will be \$5,000.00.

Guidelines:

Funding is available for artists working primarily in the mediums of painting, drawing, and/or sculpture. Both individual artists and collaborative teams of artists are invited to apply. JMF Emergency Grant recipients are eligible to apply.

Please contact the Joan Mitchell Foundation at: joanmitchellfdn@mindspring.com or call us at: **212.524.0100** for an application. If sending an email, please list your subject line as: "NOLA Career Grant".

The application deadline (postmark) is Saturday, July 19th 2008. Announcements will be made in early fall.

Restrictions:

- We cannot fund anyone who has received prior funding from the Joan Mitchell Foundation (aside from those who received a JMF Emergency Grant). This means artists who have received ACNO Art in Public Places Commissions are not eligible, along with P&S or MFA recipients.
- We cannot fund full time students.
- We cannot fund organizations. Organizations are not eligible for this grant cycle, but will be able to apply for funding later this summer or early fall.
- We cannot fund artists working primarily in the mediums of photography, performance, film or digital media