



TUSCOLA PROM KING 2023 candidates are Colton Musgrave, Benjamin Hornaday, Tyson Macaulay, Grant Kauffman, Hunter Branca. Photo by Christy Hoel.



TUSCOLA PROM QUEEN 2023 candidates are Mia Hausmann, Anna Rauguth, Molly Macaulay, Ella Boyer and Hailey Downs. Photo by Christy Hoel.



TUSCOLA PROM 2023 JUNIOR ATTENDEES are Sydney Moss, Brayden Gough, Jordan Quinn, and Addisyn Pettry. Photo by Christy Hoel.

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BACK TO BUSINESS

**State Grants Available for Creative Arts Businesses through Back to Business (B2B) Program**

In order to support ongoing recovery efforts in industries hardest-hit by the pandemic, the State of Illinois has launched \$50 million in grant funding to support creative arts businesses. Applications will be open from April 5 to May 10, 2023.

- Here's What You Need to Know:**
- Application opens on April 5, 2023
  - Grant awards range from \$5,000-\$250,000
  - Open to businesses and nonprofits that are live venue operators, performing or presenting arts, arts education, museums, movie theaters or cultural heritage organizations
- Documents Needed to Apply:**
- Business owner or nonprofit leader identification
  - Tax documentation for 2019, 2020, and 2021
- Key Eligibility Details:**
- Must have established business by March 12, 2020
  - Businesses that received recovery funding through other state programs are eligible to apply
  - Full eligibility details can be found at [Illinois.gov/B2B](http://Illinois.gov/B2B)
- Learn more about B2B!**  
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- Need application assistance?**  
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**State Grants Available for Hotels through Back to Business (B2B) Program**

In order to support ongoing recovery efforts in industries hardest-hit by the pandemic, the State of Illinois has launched \$75 million in grant funding to support hotels, motels and inns. Applications will be open from April 5 to May 10, 2023.

- Here's What You Need to Know:**
- Application opens on April 5, 2023
  - Grant awards up to \$1,500 per room
  - Open to hotels, inns, motels, and other lodging
- Documents Needed to Apply:**
- Business owner identification
  - Business tax forms for 2021
- Key Eligibility Details:**
- Must have established business by March 12, 2020
  - Businesses that received recovery funding through other state programs are eligible to apply
  - Vacation or short-term rentals are not eligible
  - Full eligibility details can be found at [Illinois.gov/B2B](http://Illinois.gov/B2B)
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**State Grants Available for Restaurants through Back to Business (B2B) Program**

In order to support ongoing recovery efforts in industries hardest-hit by the pandemic, the State of Illinois has launched \$50 million in grant funding to support restaurants. Applications will be open from April 5 to May 10, 2023.

- Here's What You Need to Know:**
- Application opens on April 5, 2023
  - Grant awards between \$5,000-\$50,000 available
  - Open to restaurants, taverns, tasting and tap rooms, breweries, wineries, distilleries, food trucks and street vendors
- Documents Needed to Apply:**
- Business owner identification
  - Business tax forms for 2019, 2020, and 2021
  - Current license to serve food and/or drink
- Key Eligibility Details:**
- Must have 50 or fewer employees
  - Must have established business by March 12, 2020
  - Businesses that received state recovery funding through B2B, BIG, RRF or more than \$10,000 in local or state COVID-19 support are not eligible
  - Full eligibility details can be found at [Illinois.gov/B2B](http://Illinois.gov/B2B)
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