



COCA Services Overview Shared across all staff members

On behalf of our cultural community, COCA **advocates on a local, state, and national level** for grant funding and stimulus opportunities for ourselves and our cultural community. COCA also consults on, develops, researches, and applies for possible funding opportunities for others and us.

COCA regularly hosts continuing education through **Professional Development Workshops** on a wide range of topics of interest to artists and arts organizations. Workshops are often free or very low-cost to COCA members, and modestly priced to the public. Previous workshop topics have included Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion; Marketing and Social Media; Cultural Tourism; Fundraising, Grant Writing; Intellectual Property; the Business of Visual and Performing Arts; and many others.

COCA welcomes **interns** from FAMU, FSU, and TCC who are interested in learning more about working in the arts. Interns are graduate students, undergraduates, and occasionally high school students. COCA interns are given meaningful work and develop skills by contributing to actual programming and projects, learning through hands on and real-world situations.

COCA staff is often asked to represent the cultural community by serving in an **advisory capacity** on committees of organizations and by participating in local events as a juror, judge, grant panelist, guest lecturer, and workshop or forum leader.

Technical assistance is provided by COCA. Through these one-on-one sessions, individuals gain insights to a variety of diverse topics and can use the information and skills they've acquired to find success in many arenas.