

Policy Statement for AACTMAD Committees

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AACTMAD is a participatory, membership organization which enriches people's lives and sense of community through traditional music, dance, song, and related arts.

AACTMAD is a non-profit organization.

Criteria for program committees:

- 1) The Committee should support, plan, and/or sponsor events that fit with one or more of the aims of AACTMAD (above).
- 2) Committee activities and budget must fit with non-profit status as approved by the AACTMAD board.
- 3) Committee activities are designed to be participatory for members of AACTMAD and the public.
- 4) Committee consists of at least two members all of whom are AACTMAD members.
- 5) Committee will actively participate in planning/supporting/sponsoring at least one activity or event per year. More frequent events are welcomed.

Benefits of being an AACTMAD committee include but are not limited to:

- 1) Membership in a community of like-minded organizations and individuals
- 2) Access to AACTMAD shared facilities and equipment at a reduced rate
- 3) Ability to affect the direction of AACTMAD efforts
- 4) Possibility to participate in joint AACTMAD events such as Dancing in the Streets to increase awareness of activities
- 5) Shared presentation of information via AACTMAD publicity venues to increase awareness of activities
- 6) Shared experience on methods and resources to advertise and organize events and enhance AACTMAD-related activities

Benefits continued:

- 7) Access to information about individuals with skills important for AACTMAD-related activities
- 8) AACTMAD provides financial and tax reporting and liability insurance for committee activities and events.

Responsibilities of an AACTMAD committee include:

- 1) Providing information to AACTMAD by filling out and submitting the income and expenses reports in a timely manner.
- 2) Submitting an annual plan and budget to AACTMAD.
- 3) All monies generated by AACTMAD committees belong to AACTMAD to be used to further the mission of the organization.
- 4) Providing information to the AACTMAD board as needed.
- 5) Enriching people's lives and sense of community through traditional music, dance, song and/or related arts.
- 6) Actively sponsoring/supporting activities. The committee reviews activities annually and if no longer active/interested, will work for an orderly disbanding of the committee.
- 7) Actively supporting/promoting other AACTMAD activities and AACTMAD membership.
- 8) Responsibly maintaining AACTMAD facilities and equipment used.
- 9) Committees are encouraged to use the AACTMAD account, but if starting their own bank account it should be under the AACTMAD tax ID.