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The Performing Arts Japan (PAJ) program was started by the Japan Foundation to promote Japanese performing arts in North America. PAJ supports the initiatives taken by nonprofit organizations in the United States and Canada to provide geographically diverse audiences with greater exposure to Japanese performing arts. PAJ also encourages collaborations between Japanese and American/Canadian artists.

The Japan Foundation, New York and Toronto are now accepting grant proposals for fiscal year 2011-2012. The Touring Grant assists the presentation of Japanese performing arts in the U.S. and Canada, emphasizing locations outside major metropolitan areas. The Collaboration Grant allows collaborating artists to create new works with the potential to develop into a touring project. PAJ will fund up to 50% of the project costs.

Applications are due by October 25, 2010 for projects taking place between July 1, 2011, and June 30, 2012. Visit the Japan Foundation, New York's website (for U.S. organizations: www.jfny.org/arts_and_culture/paj.html) and the Japan Foundation, Toronto's website (for Canadian organizations: <http://www.jftor.org/arts/PAJ.php#APPLICATION>) for guidelines and application form.

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