

Official Announcment

**WyoLum, LLC's** [<u>http://www.wyolum.com</u>] mission is to "Promote Open Source Hardware". To that end, we are pleased to announce two \$1000 (USD) grants to be awarded to the most qualified applicants. Entries will be evaluated on:

- Innovation
- Originality
- Technical feasibility
- Commercial viability
- Planned use of funds
- Timeline (Projects with goals that can be achieved within six months after the grant is awarded will score more favorably.)

Qualifying projects will be 100% open source (hardware and software) from development through to production. WyoLum team members will be available for advice and assistance throughout your project. If you have a killer idea, but have never fabricated a PCB, programmed a micro-controller or designed an enclosure, don't let that stop you from submitting your idea. If we can't immediately assist you, we will learn it together. Submit completed applications to <u>grants@wyolum.com</u> by December 3, 2011. Applications will

be excepted in a combination of video (encouraged), html, .odt, .doc, .docx, blogpost. We will make all reasonable efforts to receive and evaluate your application.

## About us [ Team ]

**WyoLum** is a team of volunteers, learners and doers, who pool our resources and skills to make cool things. Our most successful project to date is <u>ClockTHREE</u>, a word clock that tells time in written language, derived from Doug Jackson's Word Clock<sup>1</sup> and Evil Mad Science's Peggy 2.<sup>2</sup> We would like to support the community that has supported us. Through our successful projects we have accumulated some funds that we would like to reinvest in the community by supporting innovative ideas in open source hardware development.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup><u>http://www.dougswordclock.com/</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup><u>http://wiki.evilmadscience.com/Peggy\_2</u>

Rules.

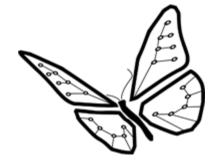
- 1. Projects must be 100% Open Source throughout the development timeline, with design files and code stored in a a publicly accessible repository such as Google Code, SourceForge, SolderPad, Seeed Studio, or similar.
- 2. Project goals should be achievable within 6 months from the time the grant is awarded.
- 3. Winning projects must agree to post project details and updates as a condition of receiving funds and allow WyoLum to promote the project.
- 4. Grant funds will be delivered via PayPal. Applicants must have a PayPal account or be able to obtain one. Funds may be disbursed as a lump sum or as a schedule of payments at WyoLum discretion.
- 5. If applications are of low quality (to be determined at the desecration of WyoLum Judges), WyoLum reserves the right not to fund any projects or fund only one or fund several projects for less than \$1000 for each.
- 6. Unless explicit consent is granted (see below), applications will not be shared or discussed outside of the WyoLum judging panel.
- 7. Completed applications must be received by December 3. Applications can be a combination of any or all of the following
  - email to grants@wyolum.com
  - video posted on the web ((we love videos!) please email the web address to grants@wyolum.com)
  - posted on the web (please email the web address to grants@wyolum.com)
  - snail-mailed to WyoLum Grants
    12334 Coleraine CT Reston, VA 20191
    USA
- 8. Dates:
  - Announcement: Oct. 29
  - Question period: Oct. 29 Nov. 5 (send questions to grants@wyolum.com)
  - Submission deadline: Dec. 3
  - Winners announced: Dec. 10, 2011

## **2011 Innovation Grant Application**

(please use as much space as you require)

Project Name:

Choose one: (this has no bearing on project selection) WyoLum may post my project publicly WyoLum **may not** post my project<sup>3</sup>



Summary (Please describe what the project is. Relevant web links and video are encouraged):

How far along is the project right now (indicate all that apply):

- Concept
- Printed circuit board developed
- Enclosure designed
- Algorithm tested
- Key components identified
- Key components tested
- Functional breadboard prototype
- Available for sale
- Other (please describe)

How far along will the project be after 6 months if this project is selected to receive the grant (indicate all that apply):

- Concept
- Printed circuit board developed
- Enclosure designed
- Algorithm tested
- Key components identified
- Key components tested
- Functional breadboard prototype
- Available for sale
- Other (please describe):

Plan and Timeline (Break up the project into tasks and milestones with a timeline):

How would the funds be used if this project is selected to receive a grant?

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Winning projects must to agree to post project details as a condition of receiving funds and allow WyoLum to post updates on progress.

## **Brief Bios and Backgrounds**

Project Leader:

Contributing team members:

Contact email address: Contact phone number:

Recent projects or relevant hobbies of team members:

OSHW references: (Site the projects that influenced or inspired you)