

# **Spring 2018 Call for VAP Host Sites**

Application Deadline: January 5, 2018 Funding Period: February 1 – June 30, 2018

Nonprofit organizations such as schools, community centers, and libraries are invited to apply to be host sites for another round of TAF's Visiting Artist Program. Participating venues will be eligible for up to \$2,500 in funding. Organizations interested in applying must submit an application no later than January 5, 2018.

Through the Visiting Artist Program, artists and community organizations collaborate to present a workshop or series of classes for students in grades K-12. In addition to providing funding for VAP programs, the Tippecanoe Arts Federation acts as facilitator by pairing artists and host sites, helping craft customized programming, and aiding in program outreach.

#### **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

The Visiting Artist Program enhances accessibility to arts education by pairing artists or organizations with undeserved communities located in the counties of Benton, Carroll, Cass, Clinton, Fountain, Howard, Jasper, Newton, Montgomery, Pulaski, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Warren, and White. Through generous support from The McAllister Foundation, the program provides engaging instruction for students in grades K-12. Artists and cultural organizations working in all disciplines of the visual and performing arts are invited to apply during each program cycle. The current focus of the program is providing arts experiences to students in rural areas.

The goals of the program are:

- To increase access to quality arts instruction for youths in grades K-12, especially in rural areas.
- To develop relationships between artists, young people, and communities in the region.
- To elevate the relevancy of art making in its diverse forms.

#### PROGRAM DESIGN PROCESS

Teaching artists work in partnership with host sites to develop and deliver a series of workshops or classes that teach creative skills. Successful projects funded by the Visiting Artist Program are:

- Designed to develop students' technical skills and creative capacities including imagination, critical thinking, and self-esteem;
- Created through collaboration between teaching artists, the host site, and the surrounding community;
- Supportive of learners with diverse backgrounds and abilities.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Host-site applicants must be located in Region 4 and either a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization or school corporation. Workshop sites must be open and accessible to the public.

#### **APPLICATION EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Host site proposals will be evaluated on their demonstration of:

- Clarity of the proposal;
- Experience with public programming;
- Experience in working with students in grades K-12;

- Number of individuals served; and
- Engagement with underserved populations.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Interested organizations should complete the application form found at <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/iA3kyBpDW3f0zoRk2">https://goo.gl/forms/iA3kyBpDW3f0zoRk2</a> no later than January 5, 2018.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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