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Arts-in-Education Residency

GUIDELINES

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Arts-in-Education (AIE) Residency Program provides support for a professional Illinois artist or company to provide hands-on learning in schools and communities statewide.

Examples of Residencies:

- An elementary school engages a theatre company to work with all third grade students and their teachers, weaving drama into their literacy and social studies curricula.
- A museum partners with a local elementary school to host a visual arts residency that integrates with an upcoming exhibition featuring the residency artist. The artist works with 5th and 6th grade students on a textile arts project that focuses on batik, fabric painting, and quilt-making. In addition, the artist provides classes at the museum for community members focusing on the same skills as the school's students.
- A community center and a library collaborate to engage a poet for six months to work after-school at the center with a group of teen-agers and at the library with senior adults on poetry craft, editing, and recitation in order to create poems that tell their stories. Guest artists include a printmaker and a book-binder who assist both populations in the design, printing and binding of a series of their poems. The residency culminates with a community event where the two groups share their poetry through recitation and display of the pieces created.

Grant requests for fiscal year 2017 are for residency activities occurring between November 1, 2016 and August 31, 2017.

Program Goals

- To create a focus around which the educational and civic community can develop or strengthen programs in arts education
- To assist educators in innovative curriculum development and implementation
- To deepen understanding for the arts and increase appreciation within schools and communities for artists and their work
- To support arts programming that reflects the diversity and cultural richness of Illinois and encourages active participation from all residents

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Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be tax exempt (501c3) organizations registered as not-for-profit corporations in good standing with the Illinois Secretary of State, or units of government (i.e., school, school district, park district, library district), or institutions of higher

education. Refer to the [Proof of Eligibility](#) page on the IACA website for specific details and verification requirements.

- Artist or company selected as the artist-in-residence must be currently based in Illinois. Individual artists must be current residents of Illinois. Companies must be based in Illinois.
- Applicant must secure a cash match for no less than 40% of the residency project expenses.
- Applicants must submit all required application materials by the deadline.

Making the Project Accessible to All

According to state and federal law, every organization receiving public funding must ensure that it is in a position to provide accommodations when persons with disabilities make requests for services. Accessibility involves both the location (the facility) and the content (the activity or product) of the program. Thinking about accessibility issues (e.g., sign language interpreters, audio recordings of printed materials, audio-description describers or large-print labeling) in the early planning stages of a project, is the key to ensuring that persons with disabilities will be able to participate in the program.

For further information and resources see the [Grantee Requirements page](#) on the IACA website.

Applicant Restrictions

- Participants may not be charged for any activity related to the residency program.
- An applicant may not receive IACA funding to work with the same artist or company-in-residence for more than three consecutive years.
- A residency for a first-time sponsor is limited to two months.
- Artists and companies-in-residence participating in IACA funded projects are restricted to no more than six months of cumulative residency activities within a single program year.
- An artist or company-in-residence will not be approved to work at two sites simultaneously.
- Applicants affiliated with IACA Board members or advisory panelists are eligible to apply. However, a panelist or Board member may not be the authorizing official signing any documents relating to an application or grant award.

Residency Options

Artist residency options are listed below. Select the option that will best meet educational and programmatic goals.

- **Individual Artist Residency** – lasts for a minimum of four weeks to a maximum of six months and is carried out by a single artist.
- **Company Residency** – lasts for a minimum of two weeks up to a maximum of six months. It involves an established Illinois ensemble or company of professional artists working in the disciplines of dance, interdisciplinary arts, music, and theater. A company residency requires that at least three members of the resident company be engaged to teach for the duration of the residency at the primary residency site.

In addition company residencies require:

- At least one company performance to be scheduled during the residency. If the performance is open to the community, it also may be considered the community activity for that month.
- At least two of the three company artists to be engaged for the residency participate in the in-service.
- A guest artist should be selected from outside the ranks of the resident company.

Request Amount

Request amounts are calculated based on the information entered in the budget form of the application. Applicants may request up to 60% of the residency total allowed cash expenses.

Cash Match Requirement

Applicant must secure a cash match for no less than 40% of the residency project total cash expenses from sources other than the State of Illinois, including the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

How to Apply

- Read the IACA [Policies and Priorities](#) and AIE Program guidelines carefully and contact IACA staff for clarification. It is the responsibility of the applicant to be familiar with IACA policies, priorities, and [grantee requirements](#).
- Identify and contact the artist or company, to discuss availability and design the residency project.
- Complete the online application and upload the required attachments.
- Successfully submit the online application to the IACA [eGrant](#) system by the deadline.

Deadline

The deadline for the FY2017 AIE Residency Program is June 6, 2016. Applications must be successfully submitted to the IACA's eGrant system by 11:59 pm CST.

PREPARING AN APPLICATION

Planning Steps

Applicants are encouraged to use the following steps in developing their AIE Residency request. Planning an AIE Residency project requires a deep commitment of time and resources from the applicant, host site staff, and the proposed artist-in-residence. Spending time developing the residency's blueprint will help insure that all required residency components are included, deadlines for tasks are established, and responsibilities assigned. The residency plan will also allow the applicant to respond to the application's narrative questions in detail.

1. Develop a Steering Committee

This is a broad-based group committed to the residency's success that will assess the community's and the organization's needs, garner financial support, and ensure the residency's success. Keep notes of all Steering Committee meetings and discussions so that there is a record of what committee members agreed upon and what the resident artist/company agreed to do and provide.

There is no limit to the number of members on the steering committee. There must be at minimum three members who fill each of the positions listed below:

- ***On-Site Coordinator***—responsible for organizing and overseeing daily activities at the residency site including scheduling, monitoring, communication, and collecting response forms and narrative sections for the final report. The on-site coordinator is also responsible for organizing the residency evaluation plan, team and schedule.
- ***Community Coordinator***—a community member responsible for coordinating community activities, promoting the residency, and serving as a project liaison with the community and the residency site.
- ***Administrative Coordinator***—responsible for administering residency funds including payment to the artist-in-residence and guest artist(s) and disbursement of funds for additional expenses.

Suggestions for other members of the steering committee include:

- If the participants are children, one parent from the student group that will participate in the residency
- The school principal, or their designee
- If the applicant organization is different from the host residency site, a representative from the applicant organization
- Additional staff members from the school or residency site
- A student from the identified core group, if appropriate

- Members representing the community, local social service organizations, local businesses, or local government agencies
- When applicable, students who participated in previous residencies

2. Schedule the Arts-in-Education Residency

Comprehensive planning for the residency should occur before the application is submitted. This ensures that the sponsor fully meets all of the program requirements and that the site develops a successful residency plan.

At this stage, members of the steering committee:

- Select an artist for the residency project and contact the artist to determine availability.
- Meet with the selected residency artist to discuss the site's needs and goals of the residency.
- Discuss the artist's requirements for studio space and time for their own use outside of the residency's schedule of activities.
- Approach local businesses, organizations and community members to arrange for in-kind donations and matching funds.
- For an applicant working with an artist-in-residence for a second or third consecutive year, revisit previous final report evaluations to identify next steps and activities.

At least one scheduling meeting involves the selected artist-in-residence. At this meeting:

- Discuss the appropriate residency length.
- Design the residency focus and content.
- Identify the core group and non-core group.
- Select a guest artist(s).
- Schedule the beginning and ending dates of the residency and schedule dates for the pre-service, in-service, and community activities.
- Determine the weekly dates and times when all required residency components will occur.

The sponsor must establish an independent contract with the resident artist, company and/or guest artist(s) for all residency activities.

- Artist or company studio time cannot be included in this fee.
- The sponsor is responsible for paying the artists.
- Artists are responsible for managing their own income tax reporting.

Schedule Requirements

- Residencies may not be condensed or spread out over a period longer than the official residency (i.e., a two-month residency must be completed within consecutive weeks)

- A teacher or member of the host site’s staff must remain in the classroom during all residency activities. Having this person participate in the residency activity is highly recommended.
- Studio Time- adequate studio or rehearsal space must be available at the artist-in-residence’s request at specified times so that they may work undisturbed at the residency site.
 - Artist access to on-site studio space is determined by the host site’s availability.
 - Open studio time may be scheduled for observation by participants, teachers, and community members so that the creative process can be witnessed first-hand.
 - Time spent by the resident artist in the on-site studio for their own pursuits is not an allowable expense for the residency’s itemized budget.
 - Hosts/sponsors are encouraged to negotiate a fee with the resident artist for any open studio hours however.

Required Residency Schedule Components

The artist/company-in-residence may be involved in residency activities for up to twenty hours per week. The frequency of meetings for planning, scheduling, and evaluation are determined by artist-in-residence and sponsor.

All residency schedules must adhere to the following guidelines:

- **Core Group:** receives the majority of the resident artist/company members contact hours each week for the duration of the residency
- **Non-Core Group:** the pre-selected group receiving some contact time with the resident artist/company as determined by sponsor
- **Guest Artist(s) Visits:** at least one required per residency
 - Additional visit for every four weeks of residency activity
 - Guest artist must interact with all core members at least once during residency
- **Community Activities:** at least one required per residency
 - Additional community activity for every four weeks of residency activity
 - Must be open to participants beyond core and non-core groups
- **Pre-Service:** scheduled once before the residency begins
- **In-Service:** one required per residency

3. Address Other Required Components of the Residency

The steering committee must also address these aspects of the residency:

- **Promoting the Residency-** good publicity for the residency will result in well-attended community presentations and stronger support for future arts programs. Suggested publicity efforts include flyers for participants to take home, posters to display at the

site and throughout the community, daily update announcements to participants and staff on the progress of the residency, and media releases to local newspapers, radio, and television stations. Following notification of application funding, grant recipients must credit the IACA in all promotional material and public notices until the end of the grant period. Credit is not required until the applicant receives award notification.

- **Documenting the Project-** the IACA requires examples of the residency documentation with the sponsor’s final report. In addition, both the sponsor and the artist-in-residence should be provided with copies of the residency documentation. Any documentation, including images of artwork created during the residency and of residency activities submitted to the IACA may be publicly displayed by the IACA and become the property of the IACA.
- **Evaluating the Project-** mid-project and final project evaluation meetings are strongly suggested. The project activities and objectives may be adjusted due to the outcome of an evaluation. In the event that a mid-project evaluation outcome necessitates a change in the residency schedule or an adjustment to the project’s goals and outcomes, IACA staff must be notified in writing.

4. Create the Application Narrative

Respond to each of the [narrative topics](#) in the order listed. Use each narrative topic as a heading. Narrative topic responses should be as specific as possible while keeping in mind the four page limit.

5. Create the Residency Project Budget

Listed below are descriptions of specific line items which directly correspond to the numbered line items in the Residency Project Budget in the IACA eGrant system.

ANTICIPATED EXPENSES

1A. Individual Artist Residency

- Stipend is based on a minimum fee of \$40 per hour of residency activity.
- As recorded on the Residency Schedule Summary, this fee should include hours the resident artist will spend with the core and non-core groups, on community activities, and in pre-service, in-service, planning and evaluation meetings.

1B. Company Residency

- Stipend is based on a minimum of \$40 per hour of residency activity provided by each company artist participating in the residency.
- The maximum cumulative total amount a company can request for residency fees per fiscal year is \$45,000.

- Companies should consider the \$45,000 cumulative stipend limit when determining the number of IACA AIE Residency Program applications that they will participate in each year.
- Company Residency stipend should include:
 - The hours the resident company members will spend with the core and non-core groups, on community activities, and in pre-service, in-service, planning and evaluation meetings as recorded on the Residency Schedule Summary.
 - Fees for the Artistic Director (only when participating in residency sessions with the core and non-core groups.)
 - An administrative fee of up to 15% of the Company Residency Stipend.
 - One company performance, which is required during the residency.

1. TOTAL RESIDENCY STIPEND *(from line 1A or 1B)*

2. Guest Artist(s) Fee

- Based on a minimum of \$40 per hour of residency activity.

3. Artist-in-Residence Travel

- If the artist/company's home site is more than fifty miles one way from the residency site reasonable travel expenses to and from the residency site during the residency and expenses for one planning meeting prior to the residency may be included.
- As a guide, the State of Illinois currently reimburses mileage at 54 cents per mile.

4. Artist-in-Residence Lodging

- If the artist-in-residence will be traveling more than 50 miles each way from their home to the residency site, reasonable lodging expenses may be included to allow for the artist to stay overnight in the residency site's community.
- Applicant must assist in locating appropriate housing and workspace for an artist-in-residence who will temporarily re-locate to conduct the residency.
- As a guide, the State of Illinois currently reimburses lodging between \$68 and \$145 per night depending on the region.

5. Supplies

- Applicants are required to submit a one page breakdown of anticipated supplies as reflected in this request line.
- Sponsors and artists-in-residence should discuss supply needs and determine costs prior to submitting the application.

6. Documentation Fee

- Documentation of the residency project (e.g. videos, flyers, photographs, audio recordings, etc.) must be created for the site, the artist, and the IACA.

7. TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES combined totals from lines 1 through 6

ANTICIPATED INCOME

8. IACA Grant Request- maximum request is 60% of the total allowable project expenses

9. Sponsor Cash Match- sponsors must supply a cash match of at least 40% of the total project expenses

10. TOTAL PROJECT INCOME- the combined total of the IACA Grant Request and the Sponsor Cash Match, equal to line 7

11. IN-KIND DONATIONS- are all goods or services donated for use in the residency project

- In-kind donations are not required.
- Their value does not affect the IACA Grant Request or the Sponsor Cash Match.
- Consider materials, staff time beyond the regular workday, and any services that would otherwise be a cash expense.

Application Components

Each component must be completed in full and submitted in the proper format by the application deadline.

The IACA utilizes eGrant, an online application submission system. It consists of form field components and the uploading of required documents. For complete eGrant instructions go to the [Using eGrant](#) section of the IACA website.

- Be saved as PDF files
- Be labeled as follows:
 - Applicant name (or a recognizable acronym)_Attachment Name
 - Example: 'FamousArtsTheatre_Narrative' or 'FAT_Narrative'
- Use the same applicant name or acronym for all attachments
- Be 8 ½ " x 11" with at least a 1" margin
- Use a 12-point or larger black type on a white background
- Have sequentially numbered pages
- Have the applicant name and the attachment title on the top of each page

- Not be typed in all capital letters
- Not be photo reduced
- Adhere to page limits

There are many PDF converter options available for free or purchase on-line, including:

- [Adobe PDF Pack](#) (web-based subscription service)
- [CutePDF](#) (free download)
- [PDFcreator](#) (free Web-based converter)

The IACA does not endorse any particular software. Consult the vendor websites for more information.

The electronic form includes:

Applicant information

Under this tab provide contact information for applicant organization. The IACA recommends making the Contact Person different from the Notification Official.

Project Details

Under this tab, provide:

- The proposed residency dates
- The length of the residency
- The name of the residency artist or company
- The type of residency
- The discipline of residency

Project Budget

Under this tab provide budget information for the residency. See [Create the Residency Project Budget](#) section of the guidelines for details and limits.

Attachments

Under this tab upload the following required attachments:

1. [Residency Project Narrative](#)
2. [Residency Artist information](#)
3. [Residency Schedule Summary](#)
4. [Supply Budget Detail](#)
5. [Residency Steering Committee](#)
6. [Proof of Illinois Not-For-Profit Eligibility](#)

1. Residency Project Narrative- four page limit

Begin the narrative with a short summary of the proposed residency by identifying the artist, their discipline and the core group.

Within the residency project narrative address the following seven topics by clearly indicating each topic with a bold heading and a space between each topic. The bullets points beneath each topic provide guidance as to the content of each topic and may not pertain to all residency projects.

- **Artistic Climate of the Residency Site**
 - Characterize the population at the residency site (e.g. income level, ethnic composition, age range, disabilities and impairments)
 - Give a brief history of any activities involving a professional artist within the last three years
 - Describe the amount and type of arts programs available on a regular basis
 - State any artistic or educational needs that this project will address
 - Returning applicants only— explain what was learned in previous residencies and how that experience will influence your proposed program
- **Community**
 - Define and characterize the community where this residency will occur (i.e. location, income level and ethnic composition).
 - Identify intended community participants for this project.
 - Describe residency-related activities that will be held for the community specifying when and where these activities will take place and how they will be promoted
 - Describe the facility where the majority of residency activities will take place and list any additional locations that may be used as residency-activity sites
 - If the majority of the residency activities will take place outside of a school, describe the facility’s relationship to the residency participants
- **Planning and Support Structure**
 - Highlight the key steps involved in planning the residency and include any steps that were used to assess the needs of the site
 - Discuss how this residency will address the site’s mission, goals, or vision statements
 - Explain the steering committee’s decision to choose the identified artist-in-residence and project
 - Address how project implementation would be modified if the IACA does not provide financial support
- **Project**

- Describe the core group and include the number of participants and why this group was selected
- Detail the activities the core group will participate in with the artist-in-residence
- Describe the non-core group and the activities in which they will participate
- Identify the guest artist(s) and describe how he or she was selected, and what activities he or she will be doing
- Describe how the residency program will be made accessible to participants with disabilities or impairments
- If the proposed residency is utilizing the same artist or company as the previous year, provide the following:
 - A brief summary of the previous year’s residency
 - Indicate whether the resident artist/company is being engaged to work with the same grade level/age group or the same group of students as previously
 - If residency is slated to work with the same group of students and follows them to the next grade level, describe how the new residency activities will build on previous lessons learned
- Project Goals and Outcomes
 - State the project goals
 - Explain the desired results for each of the following groups: core and non-core groups; educators and staff; and community
 - Describe how the steering committee plans to assess these results
 - Explain the methods that will allow all participants and staff to provide input on the project
 - Detail the criteria on which the project will be evaluated
 - Explain how the steering committee will use the evaluations to develop future arts programs
- Documentation
 - Describe how the residency will be documented
 - Explain how the documentation will be used to evaluate the project
- Budget Information
 - Identify the potential sources of the Sponsor Cash Match. Indicate the dollar amounts and whether these sources are pending or confirmed
 - Identify the sources of in-kind donations, the types of donation, and the estimated value

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_Narrative

2. Residency Artist Information- This attachment may consist of multiple pages of materials and/or link(s) to online material for the selected residency artist or company to include recent information on the following:

- Professional background, include education, prizes, awards, previous artist residency experience, if applicable
- Teaching philosophy
- Sample lesson plan appropriate for this residency core group
- Links to work samples (visual art, video, audio) of artist or company
- Documentation of previous residencies (links are preferred)

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_ArtistInfo

3. Residency Schedule Summary- Use the Residency Schedule Summary template provided to list the required components of the residency’s schedule.

[Residency Schedule Summary Template – PDF](#)

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_Schedule

4. Supply Budget Detail- Use the Supply Budget Detail template provided to list the materials to be purchased, include:

- The type of material
- The estimated cost in whole numbers
- The income source for the materials
- The total must equal line 5 of the Project Budget

Group similar or like materials (e.g. paint, or colored pencils, or assorted tiles, etc.) instead of listing specific items separately (e.g. 6 tubes of Burnt Siena oil paint, 9 tubes marigold yellow oil paint, 12 blue colored pencils, 19 red colored pencils, etc.)

[Supply Budget Detail Template – PDF](#)

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_SupplyDetail

5. Residency Steering Committee- Create a one-page document listing the members of the steering committee, include the following:

- Name
- Affiliation
- Steering committee role and duties

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_Committee

6. *Proof of Illinois Not-For-Profit Eligibility*- Refer to the [Proof of Eligibility](#) page on the IACA website for specific details and verification requirements.

Submit this document as a PDF file labeled: Applicantname_NFP

Certification

Under this tab certify the application.

Submit

Under this tab submit application to the IACA's [eGrant](#) system.

REVIEW CRITERIA AND PROCESS

Evaluation Criteria

All application materials are evaluated based on the criteria listed below:

- Fulfills an artistic or educational need
- Quality of the proposed residency activities
- Evidence of planning and commitment of stakeholders
- Impact of the program on the site's education programming

Review Process

- The application is received and assigned an application number that will be used in future communication regarding that application.
- Applications which have been ruled ineligible or incomplete will not be reviewed.
- Applications are reviewed based on the evaluation criteria.
- The final recommendations are presented to the Board for their consideration and approval.

NOTIFICATION AND COMPLIANCE

Notification

All applicants will be notified of funding decisions once the IACA has reviewed and approved funding recommendations. Applicants approved for funding will receive a grants packet which includes a grant agreement and instructions regarding requirements for claiming the grant. Once all documents have been returned to the IACA and all requirements met, including the completion and filing of all previous fiscal year Final Reports, the grant will be processed and

sent to the office of the State Comptroller for payment. The process of issuing payments can take up to six months once sent to the State Comptroller.

An appeal of the IACA’s decision must be made in writing within 30 calendar days of the date of the notification letter. Appeals are limited to situations in which incorrect information has been used in the panel process, procedural faults have occurred, or new information not available at the time of the panel meeting which, in the opinion of the panel chair, could significantly influence the recommendation is now available. Appeals should be addressed to the IACA Executive Director.

Final Report

All grantees are required to complete and submit a final report no later than 30 days after the completion of the project as stated in the grant agreement. Failure to submit a final report jeopardizes the receipt of future IACA funding.

Crediting Requirements

Grant recipients must credit the IACA in all promotional material and public notices in the following manner:

This program is partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.



For further information regarding usage of the logo and to download a copy, go to the [logo page](#) of the [IACA website](#).

AIE RESIDENCY PROGRAM KEY TERMS

- **Residency**- length of time that the selected artist or company spends at a given site. IACA AIE residencies range from two weeks to six months in length.
- **Applicant**- the legal entity seeking IACA funds to support the artist residency project. The applicant must secure a cash match of at least 40% of the residency expenses.
- **Artist-in-Residence**- the primary artist or company selected to conduct residency activities. The artist-in-residence is a professional artist recognized for his or her artistic achievement and quality of work. During the residency, the artist-in-residence works with participants as an artist teaching his or her particular discipline. The role of the artist-in-residence differs from the role of an art teacher employed by the school.
- **Guest Artist**- a professional artist who conducts activities on a one-time or short-term basis during the residency. This artist may work in a discipline that is similar to, or is complementary to, the artist-in-residence’s discipline. The guest artist may conduct a performance, workshop, lecture, or demonstration. All residencies are required to schedule at least one guest artist. If a residency is four weeks or longer, a guest artist must participate at least once a month during the residency. Sponsors of company residencies are encouraged to include a guest artist from outside the ranks of the company-in-residence.
- **Core Group**- the class-sized group of participants selected to receive the majority of the resident artist’s weekly contact hours.
- **Non-Core Group**- a group or groups of varying size selected to meet weekly with the resident artist. These groups are selected based on the pre-established goals and needs of the residency.
- **Pre-Service**- a session scheduled prior to the start of the residency that is conducted by the artist-in-residence. During the pre-service, the artist-in-residence, faculty, staff, and committee members review the planned residency activities and goals of the project.
- **In-Service**- a workshop conducted by the resident artist or company for the host site staff during which the artist shares discipline-specific activities that will be developed during the residency. All residencies are required to schedule at least one in-service. Residencies lasting four weeks or longer must schedule a minimum of one in-service every month.
- **Community Activities**- activities conducted by the artist-in-residence which are targeted for community members not directly participating in the residency. These activities may involve neighboring schools, service clubs, arts organizations, libraries, or park districts and may take the form of a performance, a workshop, an exhibition, a reading, or a lecture. All residencies are required to schedule at least one community

activity. Residencies lasting four weeks or longer must schedule a minimum of one community activity every month.

- **Documentation**- the process of recording what occurred during the residency. Documentation should show all stages of the residency including planning, the resident artist's or company's work with the core group, non-core group, community, and staff and should include any final artwork produced during the residency. Documentation may take the form of scrapbooks, creative writing anthologies, PowerPoint presentations, DVDs, websites, lesson plans, media coverage, or digital images and be accompanied by a summary narrative of residency activities.
- **Evaluation**- assessment of the effectiveness of the residency in meeting the agreed upon goals for the residency. Evaluation should be ongoing so that the residency's objectives and activities can be revised to better meet the needs of all participants. Notes from group discussions, surveys, pre- and post-tests and rubrics are all evaluation tools that may be utilized.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- **How do I select an artist or company for my residency project?**
Ask colleagues for suggestions, especially if they have worked with an artist-in-residence before. Contact your local arts agency, galleries, professional music and theater groups, etc. for suggestions. Review the IACA's [Arts-in-Education Artist Roster](#) or [Artstour Roster](#) for ideas. Artists selected for residencies must be residents of Illinois. Companies and ensembles must be based in Illinois.
- **We loved our artist-in-residence from last year. Can we apply to have the same artist come back?**
Yes. A sponsoring organization can apply to use the same artist-in-residence for up to three consecutive years.
- **This is my first year doing an IACA AIE residency. How long can my residency last?**
Due to the intense planning of the residency, first time applicants are restricted to a residency lasting a maximum of 2 months.
- **We want to have some of our residency happen in the fall and then finish the residency in the spring. Can we do that?**
No. Residencies must take place in consecutive weeks. Exceptions can be made for school holidays and vacations.
- **Will the AIE Residency Program provide funding for my school's drama teacher?**
No. The AIE Residency Program does not provide funding for school staff or for the general arts curriculum.
- **Should the artist-in-residence work with the classroom teacher?**
Yes. The classroom teacher should participate in all residency sessions. A staff member

is required to be present at all residency sessions. Students should never be left unsupervised with the artist-in-residence.

- **I've worked on this application alone. Is a steering committee important?**

Yes. The steering committee is an integral part of the AIE Residency Program. Applicants with a strong steering committee have an easier time planning for the residency and writing the application.

- **If we are working in conjunction with another site, can the steering committee be comprised of members from both sites?**

Yes. In order for the residency to run smoothly at both sites, the steering committee should include members from both sites.

- **The artist I contacted is willing to work for less than IACA required Individual Artist Residency Stipend. Is that allowed?**

No. The artist must be paid a minimum of \$40/per hour for the residency. However, the artist and sponsor may negotiate a higher fee.

- **Who pays the artist/company-in-residence and the guest artist?**

The applicant pays the artist. The applicant will receive a check from the State Comptroller and use these funds plus the matching funds to pay the residency artists.

- **Where can my cash match come from?**

There are several options for the cash match. Some options include your organization's budget, another grant, a local business, a donor, or a fundraiser. The cash match must be from sources other than the State of Illinois, including the Illinois Arts Council Agency. In addition the residency artist cannot donate his/her time as the cash match.

- **If my grant application is not funded can my site still do the residency?**

Yes. The IACA encourages applicants whose projects are not funded to use their matching funds to complete a portion of the project.

- **When do I receive the grant award?**

Once an application is officially approved for funding, the sponsoring organization will receive paperwork to claim the grant. This paperwork needs to be completed and returned to the IACA. The sponsor will receive a check from the State Comptroller; however, the process of issuing payment by the State Comptroller is a long one. In many cases your check may not arrive until after the residency has been completed.

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