



2024 CALL TO ARTISTS

Arts Are Elementary is pleased to announce our **2024 Call to Artists** requesting proposals for professional artist residencies for the Arts Are Elementary programs within Brunswick's public elementary schools during the **2024-2025** academic year.

BACKGROUND

AAE has been providing artist experiences for school children since 1980. We are a 501c3 non-profit dedicated to integrating experiential curriculum based artistic experiences inside the classrooms.

This Call lists each grade, subject matter, media, timeframe, and stipend.

Submissions are due by **April 29, 2024, 4:59 pm** and should be submitted via this link with the information listed below.

- [Call to Artist Application and Submission Form](#)

Submissions should include:

- Artist's Name
- Website + Social Media Channels
- Resume / CV
- Images of Proposed Work or similar likeness
- Cost / Stipend request inclusive of materials
- 475-600 word proposal detailing
 - What part of the curriculum that the artist's is focused on
 - How the artist will integrate the class curriculum into their residency.

QUESTIONS

- Direct questions to Executive Director, Meg Whithed at director@artsareelementary.org.



GENERAL RESIDENCY INFORMATION

- Arts Are Elementary is accepting applications from Maine based professional teaching artists.
 - Artists are applying to be the Artist in Residence for ONE specific grade level and should be basing their proposal off the curriculum for that grade level. Curriculum details at the bottom of this document.
 - Each GRADE has multiple CLASSROOMS (6-10) with different teachers.
 - Each CLASSROOM usually has 2 - 4 VISITS
 - Each VISIT typically ranges from 30 minutes to 60 minutes; the older the students, the longer the visits can be.
 - The classroom teacher will be present for all the sessions. Additionally, classroom volunteers are available upon request and should be noted in the proposal.
 - **Materials should be provided by the artist and included in the stipend.**

BACKGROUND AND NOTEWORTHY MENTIONS

- Teaching artists with classroom behavior management skills are particularly successful.
- Scheduling the residencies is a collaborative effort between the teachers and the artist. Most of the residencies occur in the late winter and spring.
- We often have difficulty managing student absences. Planning ahead on how to help absent students catch up is helpful.
- The residencies must occur in the classrooms as there is no additional space in the building.
- See the district curriculum links embedded for more information.
- Several of our grades have requested that the 2023-2024 artist return again so we have removed those grades from this year's Call. It is helpful to indicate if your proposal may be adjusted for another grade should your proposed grade select a different artist.
- Questions may be directed to the Executive Director, Meg Whithed at director@artsareelementary.org

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SCHEDULING, LOCATIONS, CURRICULUM DETAILS

- Scheduling the residencies is a collaborative effort between the classroom teachers and the artist. Most of the residencies occur in the late winter and spring.
- Residencies occur within the school day which lasts from 9am-3pm. There will be a break in the middle of the day when the children are at lunch and recess, so often there will be 2 sessions in the morning, followed by a break of an hour or more and then one or possibly 2 sessions in the afternoon.

There are TWO Elementary Schools in Brunswick:

- [Kate Furbish Elementary School](#)
 - Pre -K:
 - Six Classrooms approx. 16 children in each class (please note, 2 classes are located at off site locations in Brunswick)
 - Note regarding pre-k: We are looking for one session for each class, each being 30 minutes long.
 - First Grade
 - Seven Classrooms for First Grade - approx. 20 children in each class
 - Second Grade
 - Seven classes of 2nd grade - approx. 17 children in each class
 - Multi Age:
 - Four classes of mixed 1st and 2nd (multi-age) grade - approx. 20 children in each class.*
*Note: The multi age classes alternate using a 1st grade or a 2nd grade curriculum. The 2024-2025 school year will be a 2nd grade curriculum year for them and will join the 1st grade classes for their residency. There will be a total of 11 classes (7 1st grade and 4 multi-age)
- [Harriet Beecher Stowe Elementary School](#)
 - Fourth Grade
 - Nine Classrooms for 4th grade - approx. 22 children in each class

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ARTIST IN RESIDENCY CURRICULUM DETAILS BY GRADE

Important Note, please read: Artists may select specific subjects or more generalized concepts for their proposals but please provide detail in your proposal. The Department of Education is updating curriculums this year for the 2024- 2025 school year so there may be shifts/alterations to each grade. If the State of Maine has any major curriculum changes or shifts that impact your proposal, Artists will have the opportunity to amend their proposal to reflect these changes. Please reach out with any questions!

Pre-K

- Pre-K subjects:
 - Family
 - Friends
 - Water and Wind
 - World of Color
 - Shadows and Reflections
 - Things that Grow!
 - [Link to curriculum](#)
 - Note:
 - This is pretty flexible so proposal does not need to specifically tie to curriculum
 - There are offsite locations for Pre-K
- Media:
 - Movement/Dance
 - Music
- Stipend: up to \$1,000

Kindergarten

- Kindergarten Subjects
 - [Families](#)
 - [Community Citizenship](#)
 - [Self](#)
 - [Motion](#)

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- [Weather](#)
- Media:
 - Paint
 - Illustrator
 - Music
 - Movement
 - Mixed
- Stipend: up to \$3,000

1st Grade/Multi-age

- Subject Matter
 - [American Families Now and Then](#)
 - [Day & Night](#)
 - [Plants](#)
 - [Seasons & The Water Cycle](#)
 - Community
- Media:
 - Movement/Dance
 - Visual
 - Hands on
 - Music
 - Artists Choice
- Stipend: up to \$3,000

2nd Grade

- Subject Matter:
 - [Animals](#)
 - [Physical Changes](#)
 - [Maps & Globes](#)
 - [Cultures Around the World](#)
 - [Literature](#) - nonfiction writing
- Media:
 - Paint
 - Author/illustrator
 - Movement/Dance

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- Artist's Choice
- Stipend: up to \$3,000

3rd Grade

- Subject Matter:
 - [Brunswick History](#)
 - [Brunswick Town Government](#)
 - [Economics](#)
 - [United States Geography](#)
 - [Energy](#)
 - [Earth in the Universe](#)
 - [Pond Life](#)
- Media
 - Artist Choice
- Stipend: \$3000

4th Grade

- Subject Matter:
 - [Democratic Government](#)
 - [Geography](#)
 - [International Studies](#)
 - [Maine Studies](#)
 - [Rocks & Minerals](#)
 - [Force & Motion](#)
 - Animal Adaptations
- Media: Artist's Choice
- Stipend: up to \$3,000

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