

FAQs for Artist as Catalyst Program

What is the Peace Studio?

The Peace Studio is a fast-growing nonprofit that invests in the well-being and professional development of artists and journalists working to heal divides. Feel free to explore our website, www.thepeacestudio.org, to learn more about the people we work with and our programs.

What is the Artist as Catalyst Program?

It's a 2-day gathering of emerging artists (ages 18-26) living in South Florida that are passionate about using their artistic practice to forge a better world. Participants will partake in studio classes, keynote conversations, and interactive workshops on the themes of Artistry, Citizenship, and Entrepreneurship.

How do you define “artist”?

We welcome any and all practicing artists to apply for this opportunity across a wide array of disciplines. You might participate in traditional art forms such as dance, music, painting, writing, filmmaking etc., or something else, such as cooking, gardening, interior design, etc.

When and where will the Artist as Catalyst Program take place?

It will take place on Thursday, July 7 and Friday, July 8, 2022. It will be held in the Greater Miami, Florida area, primarily at The Green Space (7200 Biscayne Blvd).

How many participants will be selected for this pilot program?

15-20 young artists between the ages of 18-26

Do I have to live in the Greater Miami area?

Yes, for this particular program all participants must be residents of the Greater Miami region (Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach Counties).

What might a day at the Artist as Catalyst Program look like?

SAMPLE SCHEDULE:

9am - 10:30am | Incorporating Mindfulness into Your Artistic Practice

10:45am - 12pm | Keynote Conversation with VIP Guest

12pm - 2pm | Catered Lunch

2pm - 4pm | Founders Panel: a Facilitated Discussion with a selection of Miami's most successful arts entrepreneurs

4pm - 5:30pm | Grant Writing 101

5:30 - 7pm | Break

7pm - 10pm | Community Dinner & Open Mic

Can I come for only part of the program?

No, if you choose to apply, we ask that you commit to being in attendance for the full two days if selected

What if English is not my first language? Will there be application support available?

Although AAC programming will be delivered primarily in English, we are happy to support applicants with any access needs that might come up, including language barriers. Email us at info@thepeacestudio.org and we'll set up a call.

Do I need to be a US citizen to apply or just live in the Greater Miami area full-time?

No proof of citizenship will be asked for to participate.

What if I've never made artwork before or don't have a work sample?

In order to make our selections, we will need to review a work sample of some kind. Please include materials (such as images, writing, recordings) that you feel are most representative of your artistic practice. If you feel you have a good reason for not being able to submit a sample of your work, please let us know by writing to info@thepeacestudio.org.

What is the timeline for the selection process?

Applications are due by 11:59 PM EST on May 13, 2022. We will begin application review on May 15, 2022. We will inform all applicants of their status no later than May 31, 2022.

Will I receive feedback on my application?

Unfortunately, we are not able to provide feedback to individual applicants at this stage.

How do I apply?

Please complete [an application](#) via Submittable.

What materials will I need to apply?

Please prepare the following materials:

- Birthdate
- The name(s) of the artistic practice(s) you engage in
- A brief paragraph describing the social movement(s) you are most passionate about
- A short summary of anything you're open to sharing about your social identity
- A few words about how you heard about the program
- A reflection on a mentor you have had in the arts, and how we might reach out to them
- A visioning exercise - looking at yourself and your community 25 years from now
- A short written ode to South Florida or one of its neighborhoods (anything goes: poem, short story, descriptive paragraph, etc.)
- A sample of your Artistic Work
- A brief Video Statement telling us why you're drawn to apply to this program

Who will be on the application panel?

A diverse, intergenerational group of 8-10 artists, activists and administrators representing the various organizations behind the Artist as Catalyst experience. For more information about our selection process, feel free to reach out to us at info@thepeacestudio.org.