



## Call for Artists

**Deadline for Artist Applications: 5PM; March 31, 2023**



*I'm excited to announce the City of Ukiah's effort to obtain funding for an Artist Residency program. The Upstate California Creative Corps grant program will provide funding to local artists using any medium to beautify our City with public art. Projects will address the theme of social exclusion and disparities in opportunities for marginalized communities. I encourage local artists to apply to become an artist resident. Having well qualified professional artists identified in our proposal will increase our chance of obtaining this valuable funding. —Mayor Mari Rodin*

**Project Details:** The City of Ukiah is seeking applications from artists from any discipline for a potential Artist Residency Program funded by the Upstate California Creative Corps grant program. The Upstate California Creative Corps grant program, to be administered by the California Arts Council, will award through a competitive application process a total of \$60 million to local governments from regions throughout the state for artist residencies. The funding is made possible by a statewide Creative Corps pilot program recommended by the Governor's economic and jobs recovery task force.

The City of Ukiah is preparing an application for these funds but must first select artists to include in the application. If successful, funding will provide the selected artists a one-year art residency. The theme for the grant program is Community Cohesion and Empowerment and selected artists will be asked to work as part of an Art Residency Collaborative with a goal of producing individual works using any medium that amplify one another and the theme.

Although compensation for the selected residents will not be known until an award is made, it is hoped to be in the \$15-\$20,000 range per resident for the year. The residency program will run from May 22, 2023 - May 21, 2024.

This call for artists is open to all artists, 18 years of age or older, who live or work in the Upstate Region of the California Creative Corps representing nineteen counties to the north and east of Mendocino County with preference given to applicants based on their proximity to the City of Ukiah. The selection committee for Upstate California Creative Corps will be looking for artists representing various demographics and artistic disciplines. Story tellers or spoken word artists who can incorporate intergenerational learning into their art and to speak to the community about the project are encouraged to apply.

Applications are available by contacting the City of Ukiah's Director of Community Services, Neil Davis at [ndavis@cityofukiah.com](mailto:ndavis@cityofukiah.com) or on the City's Community Services page at <https://cityofukiah.com/community-services/>



## City of Ukiah Artist Residency – Call for Artists

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Artists from any of the following disciplines are encouraged to apply.

- Dance – contemporary, hip-hop, ballet, jazz, tap, house, dance and movement traditions of all cultures
  - Literary Arts – poetry, zine-making, spoken word, excerpts from novels, literary criticism, essays, prose
  - Media Arts – animation, video, digital photography, film, podcasts, other forms of new media
  - Music – traditional/culturally specific, folk, jazz, hip-hop, rock, punk, classical
  - Theater – original works, readers theater, playwriting, productions
  - Traditional and Folk Arts - basketry, embroidery, weaving, woodcarving, storytelling, puppetry
  - Visual Arts – murals, exhibitions, 3D, photography, sculpture, clay works, curatorial training
  - Multimedia – creative combinations of media genres, hybrid forms of technology and experimental works
  - Social Practice Arts – An art medium that focuses on engagement through human interaction and social discourse
  - Other Creative Process
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**Selection Information:** A selection committee composed of City of Ukiah staff and local artists will review submissions and select an artist taking into consideration the artists professional experience, quality of work, artistic vision, originality in past works and demonstrated ability to work on projects of similar scale and budget delivered in a timely manner. Additional consideration may be given to artists with a connection to the local region.

**How to Apply:** Please send the requested materials via email with the subject line “Artist Residency” to [ndavis@cityofukiah.com](mailto:ndavis@cityofukiah.com) or mail to Community Services, c/o Neil Davis 411 W Clay St, Ukiah CA 95482

**More information is available at <https://www.upstatecreativecorps.org/>**



## Application

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Name:

Phone Number:

Email:

Instagram and/or website:

Other Social Media or Internet Presence:

Bio/CV; (May add separate page(s))

Chosen Discipline (Select all that apply)

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Artist statement, Tell us about your work. (up to 200 words):

Statement describing your connection to the local region (up to 200 words):

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Tell us about your experience as a professional artist (up to 200 words):

Please attach at least 3 samples of previous artwork that represent your artistic style • jpeg Only •  
No larger than 5 MB each. (If your work does not lend itself to jpeg and you would like to present  
your work in a different medium, contact Neil Davis at [ndavis@cityofukiah.com](mailto:ndavis@cityofukiah.com))