2026 ArtsKC Community Gallery Application

The ArtsKC Community Gallery Program provides artists, arts organizations, and businesses with the opportunity to share our space to showcase their art and engage with the community. The program aims to empower underrepresented voices, activate the gallery space, and support local artists and organizations.

The deadline to apply is December 17, 2025.

For questions about the application, please contact ArtsKC at [gallery@artskc.org](mailto:gallery@artskc.org).

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Applicant/Project Name\* - please include your name or the name of your proposed project.

Name of organization or business (if applicable)

Which category do you or your organization fall into? \*

* For-Profit Local Business
* Government Entity
* Nonprofit organization
* Individual artist or small group of artists
* Other

[If other, please specify]

Pronouns

What are your ideal activation dates between May and November 2026 (excluding June and July because of FIFA World Cup Programming). Are there any months you would be unavailable to participate in the program?

Please share your vision for activating the ArtsKC Gallery space by addressing the following:

* What are your goals?
* How will you activate the space? (First Fridays, workshops, events, etc.)
* How will this benefit you/your organization/the broader community?
* Are you prioritizing empowering underrepresented voices, connections between arts and health, or accessibility? How so?
* Who else is involved?
* How will you market your activation of the space to the public? (social media, email list, website)

Where applicable, include details on how many pieces will be included, technology needs and gallery layout needs (wall space only, pedestals, furniture, etc.). (up to 600 words)

Will your programming in the space be accessible for people with disabilities? (See website for resources and suggestions.) (up to 250 words)

Application Attachment Section

* Resume/CV
* Artist statement/Bio

WORK SAMPLES

Please include images, videos, or other links to give us an idea of what will be in the space. Images of art, previous shows/programming, or videos of performances are welcome.

Formats and limits

Files can be PDF, JPEG, JPG, GIF, PNG, Doc, Docx, Xls, Xlsx, Txt or CSV.

Images: Include high-quality images that are not blurry or pixelated. Here's an online tool: http://resizeimage.net/

Writing: Provide no more than 10 - 15 pages of material.

Music and Video: Add web links to music, video, YouTube, Vimeo, etc. Do not upload media files, because they do not work with our grants system. Type links in full "http" format in the boxes, and include passwords if needed.

The committee has a limited amount of time to review applications, so short excerpts are best. They are unlikely to sample more than a short section of longer works, so guide them to the most important part.

Work sample 1 [place for a link or upload]

Work sample 2 [place for a link or upload]

Work sample 3 [place for a link or upload]

Summary of your project

Please provide a short summary about your proposal for ArtsKC to use in potential announcements, promotion and fundraising. This summary may be changed or shortened by ArtsKC Staff as needed for social media or other purposes. Using information from this application, and without adding any new details, please write a summary with this outline:

Your name/organization, type of art, what you plan to do, why, with whom, and how.

Image for ArtsKC’s Representation of your Project

Please include one image for ArtsKC to use in public representation of your project, if you are selected to participate. By uploading this image, you grant ArtsKC permission to use it publicly on social media and other promotional items.

Images of the work itself, or of you working on the project in your studio or other creative space are best. You can include images that are already included in this application. In this case, please upload it again.

Please do not use images that have large amounts of text or writing, as text-based images are inaccessible for Screen Readers and other accessibility tools.

**OPTIONAL SECTION**

One of the many well-recognized benefits of the arts is their power to bring together people of diverse cultures, backgrounds, ethnicities and socio-economic circumstances. [Click here](https://artskc.org/who-we-are/#whatwedo) for our official Diversity Statement.

As part of our commitment to be more equitable, and to evaluate our outreach efforts as we strive to be a model of equity, we are gathering specific information from our applicants.

The following questions are intended to help us learn more about the artists that reach out to us, and are OPTIONAL.

Answers to these questions are private and are not shared with the jury, the general public, or anyone outside of ArtsKC unless in aggregate form. Answers to these questions do not influence the outcome of your application.

If you are applying on behalf of a small group of artists, choose answers that represent yourself.

If you prefer not to answer these questions, skip to the instruction at the end: "Save, Preview, and Submit..."

Age Range

Mark only one.

18-24

25-34

35-44

45-54

65-74

75 or older

Gender

Check all that apply. If you chose Other / Prefer to Self Describe, please write in the next box.

Female

Male

Non-Binary / Third Gender

Other / Prefer to Self Describe

Do you consider yourself to be Transgender

Yes

No

Prefer not answer

Ethnicity Check all that apply. For Other, write in the next box.

American Indian or Alaska Native

Asian

Black or African American

Caucasian

Hispanic or Latinx

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Other

Prefer not to say

Veteran Status

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

Disability

Yes

No

Prefer not to answer

Sexual Orientation

For other / not listed above, write in the next box.

Asexual

Bisexual

Gay

Heterosexual or Straight

Lesbian

Pansexual

Prefer not to answer

Queer

Other / not listed above