



Artists in the Schools - Call for Artists

Nanaimo Art Gallery is seeking artists from visual arts, music, dance, theatre, storytelling, or writing backgrounds to join our Artists in the Schools program. As well as expertise in their chosen discipline, we are looking for artists who have previously worked with school aged children.

About the Program

Artists in the Schools is a dynamic art education program that brings professional artists into classrooms across SD68, SD69, and SD79 to introduce students and teachers to various disciplines, and to stimulate interest in the arts. Teaching artists facilitate activities and teach techniques in their specialized area. The Artists in the Schools program encourages creative thinking as students are introduced to new ideas, techniques, and materials, and are encouraged to explore and gain confidence in their art making and expression.

About Nanaimo Art Gallery

Located on the lands of the Snuneymuxw, in the heart of downtown Nanaimo, Nanaimo Art Gallery is an ambitious public art gallery that inspires and engages its communities through art. We honour the Snuneymuxw people and the territory on which the Gallery operates, carrying ourselves with *qwum qwum uy'shqwalawum*: operating in the spirit of "good heart, good mind."

With this intention, Nanaimo Art Gallery's values are:

- Relevance: our work is grounded in community and place
- Relationships: we believe in building, nurturing and sustaining relationships
- Innovation: we are at the forefront of creativity with quality programs and exhibitions
- Openness: we are a welcoming organization for all

Fees

The Gallery pays \$40/hour, with 30 minutes on either side of the workshop for prep and take down. The Gallery also supplies all workshop materials. For travel outside of the artist's home district the Gallery pays for mileage at a rate of \$0.60/km.



Scheduling

Workshops are 1 or 1.5 hours in length. Artists in the Schools runs throughout the school year (September to June). Artists set their own days of availability, and can offer workshops for the full school year, or a semester.

Subject Matter

Workshop proposals can be based on, but are not limited to the following subjects: Music, Dance or Movement, Acting or Improvisation, Painting, Sculpture, Drawing, Printmaking, Fibre Arts, Graphic Arts, Storytelling, Poetry, Creative Writing, Etc. Please visit [our website](#) for a current list of offerings by other Artists who are a part of the program.

How to Apply

All workshop proposals should be submitted through our online [Artist Application Form](#). Applications are accepted throughout the year. We can work with you to develop your workshop idea, and learning experiences can be made available to students.

Workshops are chosen based on:

- Compatibility with Nanaimo Art Gallery's [mission and values](#)
- Quality of program
- Availability and cost of workshop materials

Questions or More Information

For questions, or to talk through possible workshop ideas please contact Community Engagement Coordinator, Aisha Hamis at aisha@nanaimoartgallery.ca or 250-754-1750 ext. 26.