

ARKANSAS ARTS COUNCIL

FY11 Individual Artist Fellowship Application and Instructions



Individual Artist Fellowships are unconditional, non-matching awards made directly to individual artists. These fellowships recognize the artistic abilities of the recipients. Up to nine fellowships of \$4,000 each may be awarded. Awards are based on the creative excellence of works and are awarded to a limited number of artists of outstanding talent.

This year's categories are:

Choreography Literary Non-Fiction Works on Paper

ELIGIBILITY

At the time of application, the applicant must be:

- at least 25 years old.
- a resident of Arkansas for at least one year.

The applicant must not be:

- a previous recipient of an Arkansas Arts Council Individual Artist Fellowship award.
- a current Arkansas Arts Council advisory board member, Department of Arkansas Heritage staff or an immediate family member.

Work submitted must be original and created within the past five years. If the creation of a work involves collaboration, the applicant must be the primary creator and identify the amount and type of participation in creating the work. An applicant may submit only one Individual Artist Fellowship application each year.

PROCESS

Applicants must submit a completed fellowship application and the indicated documentation materials to the Arkansas Arts Council by the given deadline. This application and the documentation materials will be submitted for panel review, which is conducted by practicing artists and arts professionals in an anonymous process. Following the review, the panel's recommendations will be presented to the Arkansas Arts Council and applicants will be notified by mid-September. The Arkansas Arts Council reserves the right to make no awards in any given year.

REVIEW CRITERIA & APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Consideration will be given to the quality of the artist's work as judged from the documentation materials submitted by the artist. In all categories, it is best to submit documentation materials that show a *concentration* rather than a range of work.

APPLICATION PACKET

The following materials constitute a complete application. Please use this as your check list:

- Completed and signed Individual Artist Fellowship application and one copy of the signed application.
- Artist statement and resume. (An **artist statement** describes the focus or current direction of your work. This should be a brief 1-2 paragraph description of your concepts or major aesthetic concerns for the work submitted. Information regarding the context or technical aspects of your work may be addressed in this statement. A **resume** should include personal information regarding education and employment history as well as recent career development activities in your art form.)
- Documentation materials, as outlined under Documentation. Documentation materials become the property of the Arkansas Arts Council.

DOCUMENTATION

Choreography

Submit up to 10 minutes of your best work(s). This may be from one or several projects.

Submit six VHS tapes or six DVDs of this selection and label with the last four digits of your social security number. Submit six cover sheets (8.5 x 11) containing the last four digits of your social security number, title or titles of work submitted with synopsis of theme and running length of work(s) and the date of completion. **Your name must not appear on any of this material.**

Literary Non-Fiction

Submit no more than two examples on white 8.5 x 11 inch standard weight paper with a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 25 total consecutive pages in manuscript format: 1 inch margins, Times or Times New Roman font, 12 point type, double-spaced. If the work has been published, do not photocopy pages from the book; reformat the work on 8.5 x 11 inch sheets of paper.

Submit six copies of this body of work with a cover sheet on each copy. The cover sheets should be typed or printed on standard, white 8.5 x 11 inch paper. Label with the last four digits of your social security number. Provide the title of work submitted and the date of completion. Secure with binder clip; do not bind or staple the material. **Your name must not appear on any of this material.**

Works on Paper

Submit one CD with images of a maximum of 10 works. You may submit multiple views of each work for a maximum total of 20 images. The images must be in JPEG file format with an appropriate size of 4 x 6 inches and a minimum resolution of 300 dpi. Label each file with the last four digits of your social security number followed by an underscore and the number you assigned for that image. Example: (XXXX_1). File names must include the corresponding entry number. Write the last four digits of your social security number on top of the CD.

Submit on an 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of standard white paper a typed or printed list that corresponds with the images. Label the list with the last four digits of your social security number only. Provide the image number (from 1-10), title of work, medium, dimensions of work (H" x W") and date of completion. If showing multiple views of a piece, use the image number followed by "d." Example: (XXXX_9d). **Your name must not appear on any of this material.**

Mailing Instructions

Complete the application, sign, copy and submit with documentation to:

Artist Fellowship, Arkansas Arts Council, 323 Center Street, 1500 Tower Bldg.,
Little Rock, AR 72201-2606.

Completed applications must be hand delivered by 4:30 p.m. or postmarked no
later than Friday, May 7, 2010.

E-mailed and faxed applications will **not** be accepted. Every effort will be made to
protect documentation materials. However, the Arkansas Arts Council is not
responsible for lost or damaged materials.

*For more information, contact the Arkansas Arts Council at (501) 324-9766 or e-
mail carolyn@arkansasheritage.org.*

APPLICATION FORM

This form and one copy must be included with each fellowship application packet. Type or print the application; do not reduce type below 12 point. Use only the space provided. **Deadline: Friday, May 7, 2010**

Mark the fellowship category for which you are applying.

___ choreography ___ literary non-fiction ___ works on paper

Provide the following information.

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____ Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Web Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Last 4 Digits of SS#: _____ AR Resident Since: _____

AR Senate District _____ AR House District _____

For Arts Council records, please provide the following information:

Gender: female ___ male ___

Ethnic Identity (Select one or any combination that applies):

___ Asian ___ American Indian/Alaska Native ___ Black/African American
___ Caucasian ___ Hispanic/Latino ___ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander ___ Other

I do hereby certify that I meet the eligibility criteria for fellowships as stated in the Arkansas Arts Council instructions and that all facts and representations made in this application, including all attached documentation and materials, are true to the best of my knowledge. If I receive a fellowship, I understand that I am responsible for any tax obligations under federal and state tax laws.

Signature

Date