

SAUGATUCK CENTER FOR THE ARTS: Seeking Summer 2019 Artist in Residence

Empowering youth through transformative artmaking

OVERVIEW

An educational-based residency serving at-risk youth + solo exhibit

Each summer through our Growing Young Artist program we focus on a different artist, medium and theme. We augment core skills focusing most prominently on literacy and language fluency. It's enrichment based and integrates social and emotional learning strategies, which build crucial skills including problem-solving, collaboration, empathy, self-direction, and responsibility.

The visiting artist works alongside our teaching team challenging students to consider the roles they play in their families and communities, and encouraging them to use their voices positively - even having a lasting impact in their community.

2019 VISION

Students will create outdoor installed pathway finders/ totems/kabobs --- exploring the concepts of roads and paths traveled, markers that tell students where they are, where they've been, and a bit about where they're going.... Really interesting curriculum connection, too: maps, trail markers, navigation, travel journals, tides, magnetic north: heck, nothing less than the stars!

RESIDENCY DETAILS

Project stipend provided & accommodations in Saugatuck provided from July 7-August 1

THE ARTIST WE ARE SEEKING:

- Must visit/stay in Saugatuck a couple days in early June and the majority of the month of July
- Has had previous experience working alongside, teaching or mentoring youth (comfortable with students ages 4-16+)
- Creates 3D works
- Is passionate about empowering youth to use their voices for change
- Is comfortable focusing on meaning-making first and teaching foundational skills second
- Who is eager to connect with minorities/migrant population/at-risk
- Who is Latin-American or has connections to migrant populations
- Who can also teach a camp or workshop for children/adults in the community
- Who is open to community engagement and hosting a artist talk
- Who can have a body of work on display at the SCA June - September

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **June 4-6** Install of artwork, meet with teaching team in person
- **June 7 5-9PM** Exhibit opening reception
- **July 7** Arrive in town for stay
- **July 8-Aug 1** Monday - Thursday teaching onsite 9AM - 3PM
- **August 1** Final fiesta celebration downtown Fennville, student artwork debuts

All artists should send at least 4 examples of work and a letter of intent to whitney@sc4a.org

DEADLINE TO APPLY: February 15