



2018-19 ACTIVATE Arts Advocacy Leadership Program Application

Program Benefits & Eligibility

Thank you for your interest in applying for Arts for LA's ACTIVATE Arts Advocacy Leadership Program!

Application deadline: Sunday, June 17, 2018 at 11:59pm (PST)

Participants will be notified: Friday, August 24, 2018 (via email)

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1) You **CANNOT** save your work and come back at a later time. We recommend you write all essay responses in a Word document and paste them into the online application. You can download the application questions here before applying online:

[Arts Education Application Questions](#)

[Cultural Policy Application Questions](#)

2) **You must complete the entire application to apply for the ACTIVATE program.** Partially completed applications will not be reviewed.

3) To go back to previous pages click the "Prev" button below. **DO NOT** use your web browser's back arrow, as that may cause the application form to reset.

PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- Participation in nine sessions with top leaders in education, cultural policy, advocacy, and communication.
- Opportunity to gain the tools, skills, and resources to foster positive change in your community.
- Peer mentoring and access to expert consultants to develop an advocacy project to advance the arts in your community.
- Monthly networking and opportunities for collaboration with past and current ACTIVATE Fellows.
- Opportunity to host a meeting with decision-makers to discuss arts policy in your community.
- Recognition as an advocate and Arts for LA ACTIVATE Fellow.
- Free attendance to the LA Convergence and other professional development opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Participants must live/work in LA County.
- Participants are actively involved in their school district and/or community.
- Participants must be able to commit to all training sessions over nine months (September 2018 - May 2019).
- Participants may only apply to one track of ACTIVATE; there will be joint sessions when both cohorts are brought together.
- Participants will be selected to represent the broad geography and demographics of Los Angeles County.
- Participation may be limited to one representative per school district or city/ municipality.
- Participants must be 18 years or older to apply.

PROGRAM TRACKS

Applicants may apply to only one (1) of the following tracks. Applicants may not apply for both tracks.

ACTIVATE Arts Education:

The Arts Education track will explore education policy, data, research, communication strategies, and leadership building topics. Participants in the Arts Education track will work to support their local school district/charter network to expand, improve, and support arts education for students. Participants in this track will also design a spring action project that is tied to the school district/ charter network's strategic arts priorities.

ACTIVATE Cultural Policy:

The Cultural Policy track will explore cultural policy, government infrastructure, public art initiatives, communication strategies, and leadership building topics. Participants in the Cultural Policy track will work to support their city to expand, improve, and support arts and cultural policy and infrastructure. Participants in this track will also design a spring action project that is tied to their local city's cultural arts initiatives.

*** 1. I have read the information above.**

Yes

No



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Basic Information

* 2. Personal Information:

First Name:

Last Name:

Employer (indicate self employment):

Title (if applicable, if not write N/A):

Home Address:

City:

Zip:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

* 3. What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Other (please specify)

*** 4. What is your age range?**

- 18 - 25
- 26 - 34
- 35 - 44
- 45 - 60
- 61 - 75
- 75 +

*** 5. Please specify your ethnicity (select as many as apply).**

- White (non-Latino)
- Hispanic or Latino
- Black or African American
- Native American, American Indian, or Alaska Native
- Asian or Asian Indian
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- Mixed-race/ Multi-ethnic
- Prefer not to state
- Other (please specify)

*** 6. What is your primary language?**

- English
- Spanish
- Other (please specify)

*** 7. How did you hear about the ACTIVATE program?**

- Arts for LA email or website
- Past ACTIVATE Fellow (Please provide name of past ACTIVATE Fellow in "Other" box below)
- I received an email notification that I had been nominated for the ACTIVATE Fellowship
- Arts for LA's Facebook page
- Arts for LA's Twitter feed
- Arts for LA's Instagram account
- Arts organization (Please specify in "Other" box below)
- Other (please specify)

*** 8. How long have you been involved with Arts for LA? (ex: as an organizational/ individual contributing member; on the Arts for LA mailing list; as an attendee at an Arts for LA event or program such as ArtsDay or LA Convergence; as a volunteer, etc.)**

NOTE: the extent of an applicant's previous involvement (or lack thereof) with Arts for LA will NOT be taken into consideration during the selection process.

- I am new to Arts for LA (no previous involvement)
- Less than 1 month
- 1 - 6 months
- 6 months - 1 year
- 1 - 2 years
- 2 - 5 years
- More than 5 years



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ACTIVATE Cultural Policy:

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*** 9. Which track would you like to apply for?
(Applicants may only apply for ONE track)**

- Arts Education
- Cultural Policy



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Cultural Policy Schedule

ACTIVATE Cultural Policy is a 9-month commitment and we ask that participants attend all nine sessions. Please review the program schedule below and confirm that you are able to attend all sessions.

NOTE: Session locations will vary across Los Angeles.

1) Welcome and Art & Culture History and Landscape of LA County

Joint Welcome Session with Arts Education cohort

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

5:30pm - 9:30pm

2) Civic Literacy: Government Structure, Funding Policies, and Educational Landscape

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

6:30pm - 9:30pm

3) Understanding Data & Mapping Resources in Your Community (Cultural Plans)

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

6:30pm - 9:30pm

4) Taking Leadership and Taking Action

All-Day Joint Session with Arts Education cohort

Saturday, December 1, 2018

9:30am - 6:00pm

5) Building An Action Project

Joint Session with Arts Education cohort

Wednesday, January 9, 2019

6:30pm - 9:30pm

6) Speed Rounds Action Project Consulting

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

6:30pm - 9:30pm

7) Working with Elected Officials

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

6:30pm - 9:30pm

8) Cultural Policy Action Project Presentations

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

6:30pm - 9:30pm

9) ACTIVATE Culmination Celebration

Wednesday, May 22, 2019

7:00pm – 9:00pm

*** 21. I am able to attend all of the ACTIVATE Cultural Policy sessions indicated above.**

Yes

No

If no, please explain below:



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City/ Municipality Selection

All applicants must select a single city/ municipality of Los Angeles County to serve through the ACTIVATE program. You may wish to serve the city in which you reside or may prefer a city where you do not reside but have existing relationships.

NOTE: If you are seeking to advocate in a particular neighborhood/ area, please indicate the larger city/ municipal entity that encompasses the neighborhood/ area you have in mind. If you do not know the correct city/ municipal entity for your neighborhood, visit <https://lavote.net/precinctmap> and select "District Map Look Up by Address" in the dropdown menu under "District/ Precinct Maps" to determine the correct entity for your area.

*** 22. What city/ municipality would you like to represent in the ACTIVATE program?
(Must be within Los Angeles County)**



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Unincorporated Area Selection

*** 23. Please indicate the unincorporated area you'd like to represent as an ACTIVATE Fellow.
(Must be within LA County)**



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Los Angeles City Council District Selection

* 24. Please specify the Los Angeles City Council District you would like to represent as an ACTIVATE Fellow.

If you do not know your City Council District, please visit: [City of Los Angeles Neighborhood Information](#)

25. OPTIONAL: Please specify an alternative (SECOND CHOICE) Los Angeles City Council District you would like to represent as an ACTIVATE Fellow.

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Cultural Policy Questions (continued)

*** 26. What best describes your relationship to the above city/ municipality you'd like to serve?
Please rank from 1 being your strongest identify. Please choose no more than 3 options.**

	Primary - 1	Secondary - 2	Tertiary - 3
Artist/ Teaching Artist	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Arts Administrator	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
City Employee	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Classroom Teacher	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Community Member	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
County Employee	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
District Administrator	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Museum Educator	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nonprofit Administrator (non-arts)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parent	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Program Sponsor/ Donor	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Student	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

*** 27. Does your city have a cultural master plan?**

- Yes
- No
- I'm not sure

Other (please specify)



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Cultural Policy Essay Questions

Please be prepared to answer the following questions. It is recommended that you write your answers in a Word document and copy/paste your responses.

NOTE: YOUR APPLICATION CANNOT BE SAVED AND RETURNED TO LATER.

- * 28. What interest and/or advocacy experience do you have related to improving the cultural infrastructure, arts experience, and/or public art policies in your community? (100-200 words)

- * 29. Describe how your participation in ACTIVATE would contribute to your personal leadership development and ability to advance arts and cultural policy in your community. (100-200 words)

- * 30. Describe an issue or need related to cultural infrastructure, arts experience, or public art policy that you have identified in your community and what steps you would take to address it. (100-200 words)

31. OPTIONAL: Please upload a current resume or curriculum vitae.

NOTE: File should be uploaded in PDF format, should not exceed 1.5MB, and should be labelled as FirstName_LastName_resume or FirstName_LastName_cv

Choose File

No file chosen



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Final Confirmation

SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION:

By clicking "**Finish and Send Application**" button below, you will submit your official application for the ACTIVATE Arts Advocacy Leadership Program.

Please verify your responses before sending. Responses **CANNOT** be changed once submitted. To go back to previous pages click the "**Prev**" button below. **DO NOT** use your web browser's back arrow as that may cause the application form to reset.

Once you have completed your application you will be directed to Arts for LA's homepage.

If you have any questions, please contact Arts for LA at activate@artsforla.org or (213)225-7580.