

2022 Leadership Exchange in Arts & Disability Conference SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts will bring its national Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability (LEAD®) Conference to Raleigh this summer. To provide Raleigh and Wake County arts and cultural institutions with a true hometown advantage, the City of Raleigh Arts Commission and the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County are partnering to provide full scholarships for this special event.

ABOUT THE LEADERSHIP EXCHANGE IN ARTS AND DISABILITY (LEAD®) CONFERENCE

Monday - Friday, August 1-5, 2022 @ the Raleigh Convention Center

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The Kennedy Center's Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability (LEAD®) is a global conference that focuses on expanding the breadth and scope of accessible arts and cultural programming. Through LEAD®, arts and cultural administrators engage in dialogue with colleagues and experts from around the world about best practices in accessible arts and cultural experiences and environmental design; inclusive policy development; and innovative technology options. Running three full days (with two additional days of preconference sessions), LEAD® will feature over 125 conference sessions with international experts and presenters and peer-to-peer exchange focused on developing capacity, knowledge building, and networking at the crossroads where

Accessibility, Inclusion, Equity, Disability Rights, Arts and Culture meet.

Representative Attendees & Presenters

Actors Theatre of Louisville
Andy Warhol Museum
Alvin Ailey Dance Foundation
Arts & Disability Ireland
Baltimore Center Stage
Boston Symphony Orchestra
Chicago Humanities Festival
Colorado Symphony
Dallas Museum of Art

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
Disney Theatrical Group
Irish Film Institute
MASS MoCA
Metropolitan Museum of Art
Metropolitan Opera
Miami City Ballet
Museo de Arte de Puerto Rico
Nashville Opera

Roundabout Theatre Co.
Seattle Opera
Smithsonian American Art
Museum
Steppenwolf Theatre
Tempe Center for the Arts
The Joffrey Ballet
The Phoenix Symphony
Toledo Jazz Festival

*Based on 2019 LEAD® Conference Data

LEAD® SCHOLARSHIP OPTIONS

Option #1: LEAD® Conference Organizational Pass – This option allows multiple organizational representatives to attend LEAD® at different times by "passing around" the organizational pass. The LEAD® Organizational Pass includes free registration and participation in both the *Basics Bundle* preconference workshop on Tuesday, 8/2 and the full 3-day LEAD® Conference (8/3-8/5). The daylong *Basics Bundle* workshop on Tuesday, 8/2, provides an in-depth introduction to accessibility and the arts, a great way to begin the LEAD® Conference experience.

Option #2: Arts Education Day Preconference Workshop – This daylong workshop scheduled for Tuesday, August 2 offers a variety of sessions devoted to engaging students with disabilities in arts education programs. It is ideal for arts educators, teaching artists, and arts education program directors.

Option #3: Request them Both – If your organization would benefit from attending all of the above, you have the option of requesting both a LEAD® Organizational Pass and an Arts Education Day scholarship.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Participating organizations must attend in their entirety the conference components included in their scholarship (the *Basics Bundle* preconference and 3-day LEAD® Conference AND/OR the *Arts Education Day* preconference workshop).

After LEAD® is over, funded organizations will also be asked to schedule one meeting with the organizational representatives who attended. Based on that group's discussion, organizations will submit a very short final report to Raleigh Arts outlining what participants found most valuable and interesting about the event.

NOTE: If there's a circumstance where attending both the *Basics Bundle workshop*, as well as the 3-day conference might present a challenge for an organization, please contact S.A. Corrin at Raleigh Arts to discuss.

ELIGIBILITY

To participate in this program, applicants must be located within Wake County and be a nonprofit exempt from federal and state income tax as either (1) a charitable organization with 501(c)(3) designation by the Internal Revenue Service with established arts programming or (2) a unit of municipal government.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Deadline: Applications must be received no later than Friday, May 27 at 4pm.

Applications may be emailed (<u>sarah.corrin@raleighnc.gov</u>), delivered by hand or mailed to Raleigh Arts, by the deadline.

Mailing & Street Address: City of Raleigh - Raleigh Arts

127 West Hargett Street, Suite 408

Raleigh, NC 27601

Scholarship Limits

Raleigh Arts and United Arts have made it a priority to award at least one LEAD® scholarship to as many applicant organizations as possible. If funding remains after that, requests for a second scholarship will be approved.

Please note that an organization can apply for an organizational pass *and* for inclusion in the Arts Learning Community for Universal Access.

Scholarship Approval Process

Scholarship requests will be reviewed and awards approved in the order applications are received. Once the scholarship program reaches the maximum number of participants, the application process will be closed.

Notification

Scholarship notifications will be made by email no later than Friday, June 24.

QUESTIONS?

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