

Washington-Centerville Public Library RFP for Teaching Artist

Open To:	Artists with ties to the Greater Miami Valley
Commission Amount:	\$10,000 is budgeted for artist stipend and classroom supplies
Entry Open Date:	July 27, 2022
Entry Deadline:	August 12, 2022
Commissions Announced:	August 18, 2022
Projection Completion:	May 2023

Project Summary: Washington-Centerville Public Library seeks to commission a teaching artist for a grant funded project located at Centerville Library to begin in Fall 2022 and conclude in late Spring 2023. The artist-in-residence will develop 2 sessions of four (4) once-a-week workshop courses to teach skills in a classroom setting to library patrons and a reception at the conclusion of each session to highlight talents learned in the class by patrons. There will also be two virtual "meet the teaching artist" programs to showcase how a working artist navigates their field and career opportunities.

Proposed teaching artists should have experience teaching groups of adults with a variety of skill levels. The medium of art should resonate with people of all ages and backgrounds and should be inviting, engaging and stimulating for those that attend the classes. The style of art must be able to be done in a classroom setting without specific specialty equipment, such as a kiln.

From the submissions, a committee of Library Trustees and Administration will select the winning artist. The winning artist will meet with Library representatives to confirm plans for the commission and will be required to sign a Letter of Agreement by August 2022 and complete the work by May 2023.

Washington-Centerville Public Library – Located in Centerville/Washington Township, Ohio, the library serves approximately 65,000 cardholders, 33,500 from the Centerville/Washington Township community. The Library consists of two buildings, Centerville Library and Woodbourne Library, as well as a newly created makerspace called Creativity Commons at Washington Township RecPlex. 2010 marked the 200th anniversary of providing top quality library service to the community and WCPL has been consistently named as a 5 Star Library in the Library Journal Index of Public Library Service.

Practical Considerations:

Submissions: Proposals will only be accepted electronically, in the form of a single pdf of no more than 10 pages and no more than 10 MB by August 12 at 4 PM. Proposals for each submission must include the following and be organized in the order below:

1. A current resume that demonstrates teaching artist experience
2. Chosen or desired art medium for the project
3. Outline for a four week classroom experience - what skills will be taught each week
4. Supply list for art supplies needed for project – please include estimate of cost for all items
5. Four to six images of completed artwork, preferably of similar scale and material to highlight teaching artist
6. Acknowledgement of availability for 2 four (4) consecutive once-a-week workshops in Fall 2022 and March/April 2023.

Proposals and questions should be emailed to: communityrelations@wclibrary.info

Centerville Library

111 W. Spring Valley Rd.

Centerville, OH 45458

937/433-8091

Woodbourne Library

6060 Far Hills Ave.

Centerville, OH 45459

937/435-3700

Creativity Commons

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