CALL FOR NEW ORLEANS YOUTH ARTISTS:

What Is the True Youth Narrative?

Purpose

In June 2020, 100 young people from across the city gathered online to Flip the Script on the dominant, false narrative that they were consistently seeing and hearing about New Orleans youth. They named this new and true narrative, or Youth Vision, as who the children and youth of New Orleans really are.

Coming up on the 4-year anniversary of the narrative take-back that kicked off the New Orleans Youth Master Plan, we need your voice.

This is a call for young artists (ages 10-24) to *amplify and make meaning* of the New Orleans Youth Vision through creative expression. Use your talents and skills to tell the story of New Orleans Youth, by and for you.

A committee of Youth Reviewers will select up to nine applicants across three age groups (10-14, 15-19, 20-24) to receive a $500 award and feature their artwork in the Children & Youth Planning Board (CYPB) Youth Connections event on Saturday, July 27, 2024.

Following the event, digitized versions of selected works will be featured on nolayouthmasterplan.org, nolacypb.org, and @NOLA CYPB social media accounts.

Eligibility

- Applicants must be 10 to 24 years of age and live, work, and/or go to school in Orleans Parish.
- Youth can apply as an individual or part of a group/team.
- Youth-serving organizations can apply on behalf of young people who fit the criteria above, so long as young people are the leaders and owners of their work.

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Art Criteria

- Work of all mediums will be considered. Work must be able to be documented and digitized in visual and/or audio formats.
- Work must be able to be featured in a youth-centered event on Saturday, July 27, 2024.
- Work must be show-ready by Saturday, July 20 (dress rehearsal).

Award

A total of $500 will be awarded to up to nine artworks. This amount is to cover materials costs and to represent an honorarium for the artist(s). It will be awarded in two installments of $250. Up to three artworks will be selected for a People's Choice award of $100 at the July 27, 2024 Youth Connections event.

Artist Engagements & Expectations:

Selected artists will be strongly encouraged to attend the following events to foster connections across people and ideas + support preparation for showcasing artwork at the July 27 Youth Connections Event:

1	**Kickoff Mixer**	Dinner to connect with other youth artists, advocates, and activists; learn more about the New Orleans Youth Master Plan	Early June, 2 hours
2	**Progress Check-In**	Show elements and/or a synopsis of your project; share how this reflects what you heard in kickoff	Late June, 2 hours
3	**Dress Rehearsal**	Install your artwork in the event space and/or test any needed equipment	Sat. July 20 2 hours
4	**Youth Connections Event**	Showcase your artwork in the event space	Sat. July 27, Time TBD
5	**Final Artist Talk**	Share more about your artwork in a casual space with other youth artists, advocates, and activists + adult Youth Master Plan partners	Tues. September 10 2 hours, evening

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Consent & Copyrights

Selected artists will be asked to share their name, bio, and relationship to their art and the story it tells. This information will be featured on nolayouthmasterplan.org, nolacypb.org, and @NOLA CYPB social media accounts

Selected artists and CYPB will share mutual rights to the work. This means that the artist(s) have the right to use, share, adapt, and/or resubmit their work beyond this call and that CYPB has the right to feature, distribute, and draw inspiration from the documented work.

How to Apply & Timeline

Complete this application by Tues. May 28, 2024 at 12:00 PM.

• Application Deadline	Tues. May 28, 12:00 PM
• Invitations to Accept Awards	Mon. June 3, 7:00 PM
• Event Dress Rehearsal	Sat. July 20, Time TBD
• Artwork Presentation @ Youth Connections Event	Sat. July 27, Time TBD

Questions?

Reach out to Maggie Hermann, CYPB Deputy Director (maggie@nolacypb.org / 773-307-0340).