

Relief Grants for Artists

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted nearly every aspect of society, including artistic communities the world over. In response to these extraordinary circumstances, the Albright-Knox is launching an emergency microgrant opportunity for City of Buffalo and Erie County visual artists who are BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color), who are LGBTQ-identifying, or who have disabilities, and who have been negatively impacted financially by the pandemic.

The museum will distribute a total of \$10,000 in one-time microgrants of either \$250 or \$500. Grant recipients are free to apply the funds as they see fit, and are not required to apply them toward specific artistic projects. No post-grant report will be required.

In order to process grants as quickly as possible, the deadline for applying for this opportunity is 11:59 pm on Saturday, June 27, 2020.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for consideration, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- I am currently an Erie County resident.
- I have lived in Erie County for at least two years.
- I am 18 years of age or older.
- I am a practicing visual artist, able to show a sustained commitment to my artistic practice and career.
- I have been negatively impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- I am not a current employee or board member of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, nor am I an immediate family member of a current employee or board member of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. (Teaching artists and teaching assistants who have worked for the museum in the past are eligible for consideration.)

How to Apply

Applicants should complete the form below and send the completed form as well as images of two works completed in the last 12 months to covidgrant@albrightknox.org or the mailing address on page 2.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Website _____

Instagram Handle (if artwork-related) _____

Amount applying for: \$250 \$500

Please share a description of your artistic practice and career (up to 300 words):

Please describe how COVID-19 has affected you and your artistic practice (up to 300 words):

Please read and confirm that each of the following is true for you by checking each box:

- I have lived in Erie County for at least two years.
- I am at least 18 years old.
- I am a practicing visual artist, able to show a sustained commitment to my artistic practice and career.
- I am not a current employee, board member, or immediate family member thereof of the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. (Teaching artists and teaching assistants who have worked for the museum in the past are eligible.)

Please send this completed form as well as images of two works completed in the last 12 months to covidgrant@albrightknox.org or mail to the following address. Mailed applications must be received by June 25, 2020.

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For questions about the application, please contact covidgrant@albrightknox.org or 716.270.8282.