

### Panelists, while waiting for the meeting to begin, we invite you to:

- Consider your verbal introduction: name, organization or art form
- Silence or stow electronic devices not being used for this meeting
- Gather materials and any other needed items
- Sign into SmartSimple and navigate to panelist home dashboard



## FY 2025 Spring Teaching Artist Roster Panel Meeting

#### Tuesday, May 20, 2025 12 p.m.





## **Reference Shot of Features (1 of 2)**





## **Reference Shot of Features (2 of 2)**





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# Introductions



## Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge the lands and waters now known as Maryland are the home of its first peoples: the Accohannock Indian Tribe, Assateague People's Tribe, Cedarville Band of Piscataway Indians, Choptico Band of Indians, Lenape Tribe, Nanticoke Tribe, Nause-Waiwash Band of Indians, Piscataway Conoy Tribe, Piscataway Indian Nation, Pocomoke Indian Nation, Susquehannock Indians, Youghiogheny River Band of Shawnee, and tribes in the Chesapeake watershed who have seemingly vanished since the coming of colonialism. We acknowledge that this land is now home to other tribal peoples living here in diaspora. We acknowledge the forced removal of many from the lands and waterways that nurtured them as kin. We acknowledge the degradation that continues to be wrought on the land and waters in pursuit of resources. We acknowledge the right of the land and waterways to heal so that they can continue to provide food and medicine for all. We acknowledge that it is our collective obligation to pursue policies and practices that respect the land and waters so that our reciprocal relationship with them can be fully restored.



## **Equity and Justice Statement**

The arts celebrate our state's diversity, connect our shared humanity, and transform individuals and communities. The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) and its supporting collaborators are committed to advancing and modeling equity, diversity, accessibility, and inclusion in all aspects of our organizations and across communities of our state.

MSAC and its grantees are committed to embracing equity and non-discrimination regardless of race, religious creed, color, age, gender expression, sexual orientation, class, language, and/or ability.



## Vision

The Maryland State Arts Council plays an essential role ensuring every person has access to the transformative power of the arts.

## **Mission**

Maryland State Arts Council advances the arts in our state by providing leadership that champions creative expression, diverse programming, equitable access, lifelong learning, and the arts as a celebrated contributor to the quality of life for all the people of Maryland.



#### Access

#### Bolster access to arts experiences and resources

#### Awareness

Amplify the stories of Maryland's arts sector and the value of public support

#### Connection

Foster networks within and beyond the arts sector

#### Equity

Cultivate a thriving arts ecosystem centered in equity

#### Leadership

Commit to a culture of care and innovation



## **Creative Meeting Actions**

- **Celebrate** being in the space with other creative people.
- **Engage** with everyone's presence as a gift.
- Acknowledge that together we know a lot.
- Enter the conversation with curiosity and inquiry.
- **Share** your idea and trust that it will be heard.
- Use "I" statements.
- Focus your language on the task at hand.
- Hold one another accountable with care.
- **Apply** "Yes, and!" "I hear your idea and I'm going to add to it!" **Balance** speaking and listening.



## **Equity: Impact vs. Grant Writing**

The application is meant to inspire authentic reflection and internal analysis for each applying organization, with the knowledge that MSAC is to be seen and utilized as a collaborative partner in the process.

One aspect of the partnership is to guide panelists to see beyond the "polish" of grant or application writing that may be inequitably influenced by the privilege of resources (financial, educational, etc...) and, instead, focus upon the impact of the applicant.



## **Responses as Recommendations**

"The artist's statement did not demonstrate a commitment to inclusion and accessibility."

Becomes:

"I would recommend that the artist include more details or specific examples on how their content and instruction demonstrate a commitment to inclusion and accessibility."



## **Goals for Today's Meeting**

• Arrive at a final average score for **7 Teaching Artist Roster applications.** 



## **Panel Meeting Structure**

The goal is to discuss and score each application within 10 minutes. *Timing is subject to change.* 

- 2 minutes: Lead Panelist
- 4 minutes: Discussion new information to add; new perspective to share; additional questions
- 2 minutes: Staff discipline expert will share additional thoughts/clarifications/reminders
- 2 minutes: Final scoring submission in Smart Simple



## **Test Applicant Review** Application ID: -34531

**Applicant: Elizabeth Morales (1Maryland State Arts Council)** 

**Average Initial Score: 100%** 

**Average Final Score: 92%** 

Lead panelist: Kirk Amaral Snow



#### Application ID: 2025-35444

#### **Applicant: Justin West (Capoeira Social Project)**

**Average Initial Score: 80.7%** 

**Average Final Score: 80%** 

Lead panelist: Nikki Kaplan



Application ID: 2025-35803

**Applicant: Sarahia Benn** 

**Average Initial Score: 78%** 

**Average Final Score: 78%** 

Lead panelist: Paul Hatton



**Application ID: 2025-37629** 

**Applicant: Meg Kuyatt** 

**Average Initial Score: 92%** 

Average Final Score: 91.3%

Lead panelist: Lisa Jennings



## **BREAK**



**Application ID: 2025-37639** 

**Applicant: Shana Oshiro** 

**Average Initial Score: 70%** 

**Average Final Score: 64%** 

Lead panelist: Nikki Kaplan



### **Application ID: 2025-38195**

**Applicant: Alicia Oliver-Krueger** 

**Average Initial Score: 96%** 

**Average Final Score: 96%** 

Lead panelist: Paul Hatton



#### **Application ID: 2025-38388**

#### **Applicant: Lilo Gonzalez (Carpe Diem Arts)**

**Average Initial Score: 84.7%** 

Average Final Score: 84.7%

Lead panelist: Lisa Jennings



**Application ID: 2025-38529** 

**Applicant: Isaiah Fitzhugh** 

**Average Initial Score: 74%** 

**Average Final Score: 70%** 

Lead panelist: Nikki Kaplan



# Thank You!





# Panelist Feedback Session - immediately following panel meeting

- Chance to share thoughts on panelist process
- Separate meeting room link in email
- Meet in 10 minutes