

2024 Artwork for Equity Application

Thank you for your interest in applying to participate in Creative Reaction Lab's (CRXLAB) Artwork for Equity Campaign!

The Artwork for Equity Advocacy Campaign Program was launched in 2017 in recognition of the United Nations International Day of Elimination of Racial Discrimination. In support of our work for racial and health equity, Artwork for Equity will select young Black and Latino/a/x/e designers and artists (26 and under) to produce original images in the form of posters promoting inclusion, equity, liberation, and justice for all races. The Creative Reaction Lab (CRXLAB) team aims to support and equip youth artists and designers with the necessary training and skill that allow youth to leverage their artistic talents as a form of activism to create transformative change.

For the 2024 campaign year, we will be selecting up to 12 artworks submitted for the competition. **To be eligible for the 2024 campaign year, participants must reside in St. Louis or Chicago.**

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION: July 5, 2024 @ 11:59PM CST.

Please submit this application to Artwork for Equity Campaign (A4E) at artworkforequity@crxlab.org.

This application takes 25 to 30 minutes to complete.

Questions marked with an asterisk () require responses.*

CONTACT INFORMATION

*First + Last Name

*Pronouns (e.g. they/them/theirs, she/her/hers, he/him/his, xe/xem/zyrs, etc.)

***May we use these pronouns to refer to you publicly?**

[] Yes

[] If 'no', what pronouns would you prefer we use to refer to you publicly?

***Mailing Address**

Guardian Name (Please include if Youth Applicant is under 18 years old)

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

City/Town

State

ZIP/Postal Code

Country

Primary Email Address

Professional Email Address (if applicable)

Primary Phone Number

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

The questions that follow aim to help our team understand and assess the range of identities of those with whom we are working. Your personal demographic information will remain internal to the organization or will be anonymized and aggregated for external reporting.

_____/_____/_____
***Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)**

***Gender Identity: How do you identify?**

- Woman
- Man
- Transgender Person/Man
- Prefer not to answer
- Prefer to self-describe
- Transgender Person/Woman
- Gender nonconforming
- Non-binary

***What is your sexual orientation?**

- Asexual
- Bisexual
- Lesbian
- Gay
- Heterosexual or Straight
- Prefer to self-describe
- Pansexual
- Queer
- Prefer not to answer

***Ability Status**

- Mental Health Condition
- Blind or visually impaired
- Deaf or hard of hearing
- Neurodivergent (e.g., Person living with ADHD)
- Autism
- Other _____
- Learning Disability
- Mobility-related disability
- Speech-related disability
- I prefer not to answer
- Not living with a disability

***Please select all of the following that describe your racial + ethnic identities**

- Hispanic/Latino/a/x/e
- Black / African-American / African
- Native American / Indigenous / Alaska Native / First Nations / Aboriginal
- Native Hawaiian / Asian Pacific Islander
- Afro-Caribbean
- Asian
- South Asian
- Middle Eastern
- Non-Hispanic White / Caucasian/ Euro-American
- Multiracial / Biracial / Mixed Race
- Prefer not to say
- Other [comment box]

Race Ethnicity (optional) We are conscious that the options provided above do not allow for specificity as it relates to unique racial + ethnic identities (e.g. Peruvian, Chinese, Nigerian, Scottish, etc.). Please feel welcome to use the space below to self-describe in more detail.

***If you are currently a college student or have previously attended college:**

Are you the first in your family to attend/have attended college?

Yes

No

I prefer not to disclose

***Are you currently employed?**

No, I am not currently employed

Yes, I work full time (40 hours or more per week)

Yes, I work part time (20 hours or less per week)

If you answered yes above, what is your current job title?

***Which of the following best describes your current socioeconomic status?**

[Use this resource](#) from the Helpful Professor to help you determine. If you would prefer not to provide this information regarding your identity, please select "Prefer not to disclose."

Low socioeconomic status

Middle socioeconomic status

High socioeconomic status

Prefer not to disclose

Social Media Handle [IG, Twitter, Tiktok, etc.] (If Applicable)

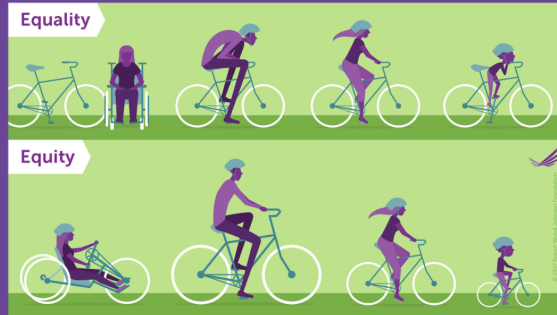
***Have you previously participated or are currently participating in a Creative Reaction Lab youth program (e.g., Katherine Dunham Fellowship, CDAP, YCLF, DTBOC, etc.) Note: This campaign is open to youth regardless of their current/past participation in CRXLAB programs.**

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

For both questions, you may choose a written response OR a video response. If you choose to submit a written response, please write your response on a separate piece of paper for mail-in applications, or in a Word document or PDF for emailed applications. If you choose to respond in video, please limit it to 3 mins and include a link to the video (e.g. Youtube, Vimeo, etc.)

What is Equity?

Equity revolves around systemic outcomes and exists when outcomes are no longer predicted by any aspect of an individual's identity.



1. **Why do you think it is important to include youth voices in the [equity movement](#)? [150 words maximum OR a short video]**. See the above image for what we mean by "equity". You can choose to respond to this question through poetry, infographic, illustration, animation, spoken word piece, song, or a short video.
2. **How can art inspire people to address exclusion and inequities in their communities? [150 words maximum OR a short video]**

ARTWORK SUBMISSIONS

You may submit up to 5 artworks to be reviewed, though you are only required to submit one. [Click this link to view an example of sketches](#) that can be submitted for consideration.

For each idea, please give a brief description of how it responds to the theme of environmental justice, reproductive justice and/or the impacts of gun violence. (200 words maximum for a written response, and a 2 minute maximum for video response). If you decide to submit multiple ideas and

wish to give the descriptions via video, you can submit one video that is no longer than 10 minutes.

For email applications, attach your ideas as a file in your email to artforequity@creativereactionlab.com (Only .pdf, .doc, .docx, .png, .jpg, .jpeg, .gif files are supported). For mail-in applications, please include a physical copy (or copies) of your submission(s) in your application. (Please note that for mail-in applications, physical sketches may not be returned to applicants).

OPTIONAL: If you have a portfolio that showcases your creative pursuits that you would like to share with us, please provide a URL link(s) or copies of past artwork/designs.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

What are your suggestions for the topic of focus for 2025-26 Artwork for Equity Campaign? What inequity in education, government and public service, health and healthcare, and/or media and technology would you like to see youth artists and designers tackle?

Statement of Agreement – Rights and Responsibilities

Youth selected as contributing artists/designers for the Artwork for Equity Program retain the copyright for their original artworks, but grant their free, perpetual use by Creative Reaction Lab for promotional, educational, commercial, and fundraising activities online, in print, and in other forms.

In consideration of the collective advocacy nature of this project, it is understood that the artist/designer is granting Creative Reaction Lab a perpetual license to exhibit, promote, and repurpose their selected image(s) on creativereactionlab.com and in other promotional materials.

Artwork will always be accompanied with due credit to the contributing artist/designer.

All artists/designers are expected to attend all program sessions to successfully complete the program. Please see program components below:

By selecting “I agree” below, you are indicating that you understand the terms of agreement.

I agree

I disagree

***Have you read and understood the Artwork for Equity Guidelines?** Click here for access to the guidelines. To confirm your acknowledgement of the guidelines and agreement with their terms, please select yes, I have read the guidelines fully and agree with their terms.

Yes, I have read the guidelines fully and agree with the terms.

*Thank you for applying for Creative Reaction Lab's Artwork for Equity 2024 Program!
The finalists will be selected and notified via email in July.*