

Dear Artist,

(School or School Board) would like to offer you an opportunity to take OR discuss your interesting in taking part in our *Artists in Residence* (Education) Project. This project is funded through the Ontario Arts Council's *Artists in Residence* (Education) Program. The overall goal of the AIR (Education) Program is to **engage students in a long-term creative process through teacher and artist collaboration**. We hope that you are interested in helping us meet the objectives of:

- Increase student engagement in the arts
- Increase student understanding of the arts and the creative process
- Increase collaboration between artists and teachers
- Increase teacher understanding of the arts and the creative process

Our school board additional has the following objectives we hope to meet as a result of our *Artists in Residence* (Education) Project:

As part of this program, all artists are compensated at a minimum rate of \$XXX per 5-hour day. With every four full days or 20 hours of work, artists are paid an additional day of preparation at the rate of \$XXX. This additional day of preparation can include meeting time. The artists are paid directly by the school board. The OAC funding for this project is primarily directed to artist fees but also covers material and travel costs. Material costs of the projects are covered by the school board. Material costs do need to be discussed and approved by school administrators before being purchased. If applicable, travel costs are also covered by the school board.

Eligible travel costs are:

XXXX

As an artist in this project, you would be agreeing to:

- collaborate with teachers to plan, implement and evaluate the AIR (Education) Project;
- participate in the planning meetings provided by the School Board and/or OAC;
- work with students on artistic works; and
- facilitate students' acquisition of artistic skills, learning and understanding of the creative process.

As a participating school, XXX will:

- provide a welcoming and safe environment for the artists in the AIR (Education) Project;
- provide appropriate space, supplies and facilities for the artists;
- collaborate with artists to plan, implement and evaluate the AIR (Education) Project.

Please do contact XXX at XXX if you are interested in discussing this opportunity further.