

# JOB APPLICATION Team Lead, Byway of Art Project

**Byway of Art Project seeks local coordinators!** Do you live in **Decatur, Lyons, Oakland, or Macy**? Are you interested in building community pride? The Center for Rural Affairs is looking for 4 team-oriented and creative residents who are in the know about their hometown to help us with the Byway of Art project! This is a part-time, contract position lasting from September 2014, through October 2015. Project work will be year-round, with greatest activity in summer 2015.

Over the course of 13 months, the local coordinator will help members of their hometown imagine and create 1 public art work! Local coordinators will help assemble a project team in their community, assist in fundraising, work closely with Center for Rural Affairs staff, and help everyone's ideas be heard at meetings and town events.

## ABOUT THE PROJECT

"Byway of Art" is a new arts + civic engagement project hosted by Center for Rural Affairs and funded through ArtPlace America. The project will support the cooperative creation of a public artwork in each of four neighboring towns, include guidance from an established visiting artist, and a final celebration of the completed works with a tour in Autumn of 2015. The first steps in project implementation will include an Artist's Talk on public art, and invitations to community members to join in on this exciting opportunity.

## POSITION DESCRIPTION

There will one Byway of Art Team Lead for each of the four communities involved in the Byway of Art project. The Team Leads will work closely with the project manager and artist advisor over the course of the project. The Team Lead's duties include:

- Recruiting local community participants
- Organizing, facilitating, and attending team meetings
- Monitoring project progress and working with project manager to make sure teams stay on pace
- Working with the project manager in maintaining communication with local government
- Fundraising additional cash and in-kind support as-needed and throughout course of project
- Contributing content to local media and being a public advocate for creative placemaking
- Organizing venues and advertising for Artist Talks
- Working with project manager and videographer to document the project process and results
- Gathering feedback from participants and communities
- Outreach and advertising of fall 2015 arts tour

Ideal Team Leads will have a strong relationship with their community and be well liked. Team Leads will encourage creative ideas from others and foster a collaborative environment. Team Leads need not identify as artists, but must have a talent for thinking outside the box. Team Leads must have access to transportation such that they can reliably attend planning meetings and events. Reliable access to email is strongly desired. Anyone able-bodied and over 18 is welcome to apply; retired citizens are welcome!

**Expected time commitment:** The heaviest period of engagement will be the summer of 2015; however, project work will be ongoing throughout the period from September 2014 through October 2015. Visiting artist talks in fall 2014, winter 2015, and early spring 2015 will also have periods of heavy activity. *Averaged* over 50 weeks, total time commitment is around 13 hours per week.

**Total Compensation:** \$9,600.



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### CONTACT INFORMATION

1. Applicant's full name (Please PRINT): \_\_\_\_\_
2. Contact Address (Street/PO, Town, ZIP): \_\_\_\_\_
4. Work Address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_
3. Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE INCLUDE WITH THIS FORM YOUR TYPEWRITTEN RESPONSES TO THE FOLLOWING:

Each answer should not exceed ½ a page in length.

5. Please describe how you have been engaged with your community, and provide examples of your organization experience.
6. Please tell us about a time you raised funds or other forms of support for a project in which you were involved.
7. Please tell us about your experience or understanding of the arts.
8. Why do you feel you are a good fit for this job?

### THANK YOU!

Please return completed applications to Center for Rural Affairs, c/o Adele Phillips, PO Box 136, Lyons, NE, 68038; or, drop off at our office (145 Main St., Lyons). Only the strongest candidates will be contacted for an interview.

### Applications are due by August 11, 2014.

Questions? Contact Adele Phillips: [adelep@cfra.org](mailto:adelep@cfra.org), 402-687-2103 x 1009.

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