

JUMP (Just Us Mural Project) Call for Artists

Locations:

1. Dahl Arts Center/Rapid City Arts Council, Rapid City, SD
2. Juveniles Services Center (JSC), Rapid City, SD

Position Type: Independent Contractor, Grant-Funded Position

Contract Dates: April 2024 – February 2025

- Session 4: Apr 8 - 19, 2024
- Session 5: Apr 29 - May 10, 2024
- Session 6: June 3 - June 14, 2024 (Art Alley)
- Session 7: June 24 - July 5, 2024 (Art Alley)
- Session 8: July 8 – July 19, 2024 (Art Alley)
- Session 9: July 29 - Aug 9, 2024
- Session 10: Aug 19 – Aug 30, 2024
- Session 11: Sep 9 – Sep 20, 2024
- Session 12: Sep 30 – Oct 11, 2024
- Session 13: Oct 21 – Nov 1, 2024
- Session 14: Nov 11 – Nov 22, 2024
- Session 15: Dec 9 – Dec 20, 2024
- Session 16: Jan 6 – Jan 17, 2025
- Makeup Dates: late Jan/early Feb 2025

We're looking for multiple artists to fill these session dates. Artists are not required to fill all sessions dates.

Schedule:

Sessions at the Dahl are typically held from 4:00 to 5:30pm.

Workshops at JSC are held Fri, Sat, and Sun from 1:00 to 3:00pm.

Scheduled session and workshop hours are subject to change, based on availability of counselor and artist-in-residence. **Preference is 4:00 to 5:30pm but will consider alternate session hours.**

About Rapid City Arts Council & Dahl Arts Center

The Rapid City Arts Council (RCAC), a leading nonprofit arts organization, has been creating and supporting inspiring artistic and cultural experiences for the community since 1968. Committed to championing inclusive, innovative, and inspiring arts opportunities, we manage the Dahl Arts Center, a premier hub for the arts in Western South Dakota. With four galleries, an education complex, and the John T. Vucurevich Event Center, the Dahl provides a vibrant platform for community events.

About JUMP

The Rapid City Arts Council in partnership with the Pennington County State Attorney's Office Juvenile Diversion Program was one of five programs nationally to receive a grant through the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention this year. The grant supports high-quality arts programs for justice-involved youth and will fund the Just Us Mural Project ("JUMP"). JUMP will serve an estimated 300 participants in the county's diversion and detention programs.

The vision for JUMP is that justice-involved youth will benefit from culturally relevant arts education, resulting in fewer disciplinary infractions and greater compassion for themselves and others. The theory is that if justice-involved youth have opportunities to engage in group-based projects to create murals, the participants will engage less often in high-risk behavior, gain critical self-management and social skills, develop new social bonds, and heal from traumas that lead to involvement in the justice system.

The program will include monthly mural workshops for Juvenile Diversion (JD) participants at the Dahl Arts Center, and for detained youth at the Juvenile Services Center (JSC). JUMP participants will work together in groups to complete a mural art project from start to finish and share the work in a ceremony with family and the community. By the end of the program, there will be 16 murals on public display, and the youth's family and the broader community will be invited to support the participants' artistic achievements.

Scope of Work:

- Meet with the Education Director and JUMP Counselor to develop workshop agenda.
- Guide participants in Juvenile Diversion/Juvenile Service Center JUMP groups in designing and completing a mural in a short period of time (4 hours over 3 days or 12 hours over 10 days based on program location).
- Co-facilitate each workshop with the JUMP counselor to provide a positive experience for participants.
- Attend and support participants in presenting their work to friends and family at an artists' reception.

Qualifications:

- Experience designing and completing public murals
- Confidence in working with groups and teens
- Previous experience teaching art preferred

Compensation: Grant-funded. \$150 per 3-day workshop and \$425 per 10-day workshop

How to Apply:

Submit your artist bio, CV, or portfolio with a brief statement describing your interest and qualifications and available session dates in an email addressed to:

education@thedahl.org and admin@thedahl.org.

- Use "JUMP Call for Artists" as your email subject.
- Express your qualifications and interest within the email body.
- Include three (3) professional references.

Artists submitting complete information will be contacted for an interview.

RCAC's Commitment to Diversity:

We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees. Discrimination based on any protected classification, including but not limited to sex, race, age, disability, etc, is strictly prohibited. We also make reasonable accommodations for known physical or mental disabilities of qualified applicants or employees.