Lawn Games

**Application Deadline**: Tuesday, March 31, Artscape 2020.

Artscape is a summer tradition like no other, where Baltimore reunites and comes together. Celebrating its 39th year in 2020, Artscape is proud to showcase artists and makers, live concerts, visual arts experiences, performing arts, teen-focused activities and programming, film, experimental music, improv and comedy; an inquisitive literary arts program; and culinary arts with delicious eats.

Every summer, the entire region eagerly awaits Artscape. The festival’s iconic features include 50+ live concerts with national headliners, talented artists and makers, blockbuster performances, scrumptious food, spontaneous street theater, impactful visual installations and more. Artscape’s can’t-miss weekend of cultural enrichment nurtures the mind, body and soul of everyone who attends, and sparks a positive vibe that spreads citywide. This joyful spirit has inspired Artscape’s 2020 theme, Art for a Healthy City – presenting a variety of activations, stages, shows, workshops and hands-on projects, poised at the intersection of health and the arts. Festivalgoers can experience the therapeutic power of dance and movement; express themselves with journaling, poetry and spoken word; explore their untapped creative potential through music, pottery and painting; become inspired and informed with interactive, large-scale exhibits; and taste nutritious and delicious recipes at the brand-new culinary arts stage.

Everyone’s invited to Artscape, come dance in the streets to celebrate the arts in Baltimore!

**Hours**: Friday and Saturday: 11am - 9pm | Sunday: 11am-7pm
**Artscape After Hours**: 9pm - 11pm (Friday and Saturday only)

**Festival Location**: Midtown Baltimore and the Station North Arts & Entertainment District; Fair Location: 1714 Charles Street, Baltimore
ABOUT
The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts invites artists and artist collaboratives to submit existing artworks or proposals for new works to be included in the exhibition **Lawn Games** at the 39th annual Artscape. To be hosted outdoors on the Maryland Institute College of Art’s (MICA) Cohen Plaza, **Lawn Games** seeks interactive artworks that are reinterpretations of the classic outdoor games played in backyards and playgrounds each summer. Proposed projects should be visually compelling through design, color and scale, and actively engage visitors. Proposed projects should also be designed with considerations for safety, for the needs of an outdoor environment, and factoring in heavy use by large crowds attending Artscape. Artists are encouraged to think broadly, either literally or abstractly, in their interpretation of this exhibition topic and festival theme.

In keeping with the spirit of the festival, all works and performances must be fully accessible, free and open to the public the entire Artscape weekend.

ELIGIBILITY
There are no geographic or age restrictions for application. Artists may apply with new works or already existing works.

TERMS & CONDITIONS
1. Submitting an application does not automatically imply acceptance.
2. Modest honorariums may be provided to cover the material costs for artwork. Final funding amounts will be awarded based on review of proposals and discussion with the artists about construction, logistics and staffing.
3. Artwork should be dropped off during the “artwork drop-off” period listed on the exhibition timeline and picked up during the listed “artwork pick-up” period. Artists who cannot meet these timeframes should make every effort to make other arrangements with a friend, colleague or family member. BOPA does not have the ability to transport artwork.
4. Artwork should be interactive whenever possible, artists should include details on how visitors engage with the work in their proposal.
5. Artists will not be required to be onsite to monitor the audience participation in their work. However, artwork should not be overly complicated to monitor and be built to sustain a sometime unsupervised environment. BOPA will be hiring a monitor for the exhibition, but they will be responsible for monitoring the entire exhibition.
6. While artists are not required to be onsite during the duration of the exhibition; they are of course welcome.
7. Due to the interactive and outdoor public nature of this exhibition, BOPA will not be able to insure the works against damage that may occur during installation, exhibition or deinstallation.
8. BOPA may include select works in additional upcoming exhibitions if the opportunities arise.
9. BOPA reserves the right to reproduce images of selected artwork for printed or internet publicity, catalogue, map or marketing purposes.
10. By submitting an application, you agree to and accept application requirements and guidelines.
HOW TO APPLY
Applications are being accepted online through the Submittable website: https://bopafestivals.submittable.com/submit/159498/artscape-2020-lawn-games

Application Materials to Prepare:
1. If applying with a new work, a brief proposal of that artwork. Proposals should include an itemized budget. If applying with an already existing work, please indicate which works on our Artwork Description List.
2. Exhibitor applicants should include 5-10 jpeg images or video of previous works (if applying with an already existing work please include images or video of those works here). Please label files by last name, then first name followed by the number the image is on your image list (for example: smithjohn01.jpg, smithjohn02.jpg, etc). Images should be no larger than approximately 3MB to 5MB in size, videos should be smaller than 250MB in size.
3. Artwork Description List that includes title, date, medium, dimensions and any necessary description (.doc or .pdf format).
4. Artist(s)/artist collaborative resume (.doc or .pdf format)

ESTIMATED TIMELINE:
Application Deadline: Tuesday, March 31, 2020
Applicant Notification: Late April 2020
Artwork Drop-off: Tuesday, July 14 and Wednesday, July 15, 2020 9am – Noon (additional drop-off times may be negotiated)
Opening Reception: Thursday, July 16, 2020 6pm – 9pm
Artscape: July 17 - 19, 2020; Friday & Saturday: 11am – 9pm, Sunday: 11am – 7pm
Artwork Pick-up: 7pm – 10pm, Sunday, July 19, 2020 or 9am – Noon, Monday, July 20, 2020

Submission of online application shall constitute agreement with all conditions in this application.

Questions? Contact: Kim Domanski, Visual Arts Curator at kdomanski@promotionandarts.org or direct dial at 443-286-2043.

INFORMATION SESSIONS
The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA) invites the public to an information session(s), to learn more about Artscape, and various programs and events BOPA produces. The information sessions will cover a range of topics including but not limited to: performing artists, food and beverage vendors, visual arts projects, exhibitors, etc.

For more information and to RSVP, contact Ayo Figueroa, Festivals Programming Coordinator (afigueroa@promotionandarts.org or 410-752-8632).

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 6pm
BIG Theater (Baltimore Improv Group)
1727 N. Charles Street │ Baltimore, MD 21201

Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 11am
Central Library - Enoch Pratt Free Library
Wheeler Auditorium, 3rd Floor
400 Cathedral Street │ Baltimore, MD 21201

Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 10:30am
Facebook Live
https://www.facebook.com/promoandarts/

* Please note: Parking is **NOT** provided for the information sessions; please allow ample time and plan your parking in advance. Light refreshments will be served.