



2019 Discovered Awards for Emerging Visual and Literary Artists

APPLICATION HELP TOOL

LITERARY ARTISTS

Date open: March 1, 2019. 12am PT

Deadline to apply: April 12, 2019 11:59pm PT

Awards announced: July 2019

Funding period: August-December 2019

Grant Info Session (Optional):

Monday, March 11, 2019, 12-1pm or 5:30-6:30pm
141 Stony Circle, Suite 110, Santa Rosa, CA

Application Workshop (Optional):

Monday, March 25, 2019, 5:30-7pm
141 Stony Circle, Suite 110, Santa Rosa, CA

Questions?

Email CreativeSonoma@sonoma-county.org



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Please review the Discovered Awards Guidelines located at www.CreativeSonoma.org/grants/discovered prior to completing the application. The Guidelines provide detailed eligibility requirements of applicants under which funding may be awarded.

All applications must be submitted online via the Creative Sonoma Submittable account (<https://creativesonoma.submittable.com/submit>). Paper-based, handwritten, or incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Please use this tool as a guide to preparing materials for and answering the online application.

Items with an asterisk are required. Please note the items with word limits.

SECTION I: WHO ARE YOU AND HOW DO WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU?

1. Applicant LAST Name*
2. Applicant FIRST Name (and Middle Name or Initial, if used professionally)*
3. Email Address*
4. Physical Home Address: Street, City, State, Zip Code (must be a Sonoma County address)*
 - Applicants must be full-time residents of Sonoma County.
5. Sonoma County Supervisorial District in which the Applicant is based (based on your physical home address).*
 - District listing, by physical address, can be found at www.sonomacounty.ca.gov/Board-of-Supervisors/Services/Supervisorial-District-Lookup/
6. Mailing Address, if different from Physical Home Address
 - If you Mailing Address is the same as your Physical Home Address, please write "same as above."
7. Daytime Phone Number*
8. Under which category do you primarily work? (choose one)*
 - Fiction
 - Non-Fiction
 - Poetry
 - Drama / Screenplays
 - Other
 - If you chose "Other" in #8, enter 1-3 word description in the box that appears.*
 - **Example:** Graphic Novels
9. If you have a website as a writer, enter it here.

10. If you have active social media presence(s) exclusively for your writing, enter the link(s) and/or @ handle here. *(Word Limit: 20)*
11. If you have a profile on CreativeSonoma.org's Creatives at Work directory, enter the link.
 - Those awarded grants will be required to create a profile.

SECTION II: DESCRIBE YOUR PROPOSED PROJECT

12. Tell us why you are currently – or are becoming – a writer. Include a brief description of your education, training, and personal background.* *(Word Limit: 250)*
13. Please share your Artist's Statement here.* *(Word Limit: 250)*
 - Your Artist's Statement should be a concise and basic introduction to your work that tells your audience what it is about, what it signifies, what inspired it, or what you intend for it to communicate.
14. Describe your writing goals, the challenges you face in achieving those goals, and how this award will help you move forward toward them.* *(Word Limit: 200)*
15. What didn't we ask that you would like us to know about you?* *(Word Limit: 100)*

SECTION III: UPLOADS

The samples of your work should represent your most compelling, recent (**2016 or later**) and exceptional work.

16. **WORK SAMPLE UPLOAD: Minimum of (15) pages, maximum of (20) pages. Submissions must be current work, no older than 2016.***
 - Title upload (PDF) beginning with your last name followed by either a short title or a 1-3 word description of the work
 - **Example:** RIVERA novel and poetry
 - The upload may consist of 15-20 pages of one work, or may include any combination of up to four different genres and/or pieces.
 - **Examples:**
 - Five pages each of 4 different short stories
 - Three pages of poetry, 5 pages of a screenplay, and 10 pages of a creative nonfiction piece
 - Formatting (aka, no single spacing):
 - Pages must have standard margins, and utilize a standard 12 pt font.
 - Prose must be double-spaced.
 - Plays and screenplays must follow standard formatting and spacing.
 - More than one poem may be included on one page, but there must be at least 1.5 spaces between poem lines and a clear break between each poem.
17. Writing Sample Item #1: Title, year, genre, page numbers in upload* *(Word Limit: 25)*
 - If submitting just one work as your upload, state how many pages are included.
 - **Example:** "Winter," 2018, non-fiction, 20 pages
 - If submitting multiple works within the upload, list the first item in your upload here, and then use #18, #19, #20 (as needed) to describe your remaining samples.
 - **Example:** "Winter," 2018, non-fiction, pages 1-3

18. IF APPLICABLE Writing Sample Item #2: Title, year, genre, page numbers in upload*
(Word Limit: 25)

- **Example:** "Spring Collection," 2017, poetry, pages 4-8

19. IF APPLICABLE Writing Sample Item #3: Title, year, genre, page numbers in upload*
(Word Limit: 25)

- **Example:** "Summer," 2016, screenplay, pages 9-15

20. IF APPLICABLE Writing Sample Item #4: Title, year, genre, page numbers in upload*
(Word Limit: 25)

- **Example:** Example: "Fall," 2019, novella, pages 16-20

21. **UPLOAD RESUME OR CV**

- Title the upload (PDF) beginning with your last name, followed by type of document.
 - **Example:** RIVERA resume
- Prioritization of upload type:
 - If you have a writing resume, CV, or a list of publications, residencies, and writing-related education and training, please upload it.
 - If you do not have a writing-related resume or CV, and do not have published work or writing-related residencies, education, or awards to list, please upload your regular resume or CV.

22. **UPLOAD LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

- Title the upload beginning with your last name, followed by type of document.
 - **Example:** RIVERA recommendations
- Letters should not exceed one page each and combined into one 2-page document (PDF).
- Letters should be from professionals who can address your literary work and/or practice. Family members are not eligible to submit Letters of Recommendation.

BEFORE YOU HIT SUBMIT

Please check off each of the following items to ensure that you have included all the required elements before you submit.

- Writing Sample(s) uploaded in #16 (REQUIRED)
- Sample description in #17 (REQUIRED)
- Sample descriptions in #18-#20 for 2-4 pieces/genres (AS NEEDED)
- Resume, CV, or publications/training list uploaded in #21 (REQUIRED)
- Letters of Recommendation uploaded in #22 (REQUIRED)

SUBMISSION (must check to accept "Terms of Use" in Submittable)

I declare that I have carefully examined the Discovered Award Guidelines and agree that if I am selected as an Awardee, to contract with the County to furnish the services as specified. I also verify that I am a resident of Sonoma County.