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**OUR TOP STORY**

**ANNOUNCING 2022 ArtSurround Projects**

Creative Sonoma is pleased to announce that 27 artists are receiving grants through the ArtSurround program, designed to provide creative engagement and placemaking activities in communities across the county. Each artist will receive grant funds to create new work and is paired with a local arts champion, or “advocate” who has access to a public site where the new art will be presented.

Art projects are wide-ranging and include murals, environmental sustainability writing projects, “art” gardens, audio-visual wayfinding signage, musical compositions and more. Click on Learn More, below, to learn about this program and to explore this year's projects!

**ArtSurround Project Artists**
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ArtSurround Advocates & Sites

Armstrong Woods State Natural Reserve (Guerneville)
City of Santa Rosa Public Art Program
Familia Sana (Cloverdale)
Escolar (Santa Rosa)
Geyserville Sculpture Trail
I Am Petaluma in Putnam Plaza
Miracle Plum (Santa Rosa)
Pepperwood Preserve (Santa Rosa)
River Arts (Guerneville)
Santa Rosa Metro Chamber
Sonoma Community Center
Sonoma County Tourism at Charles M. Schulz Sonoma County Airport
Town of Windsor

Learn More

OUR WORK

Grants
Sonoma County Public School Districts may apply to Creative Sonoma for up to $7,500 to develop or implement their strategic arts plans. The 2022-2023 grant cycle is made possible by funding from The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation.

APPLICATION WINDOW:
Opens April 1, 2022
Closes May 1, 2022
or until all funds exhausted.

MORE INFORMATION:
SonomaEDB.org
EDBGrants@sonoma-county.org

*Microbusiness means less than 5 full-time equivalent employees and includes individual artists and creatives, in all disciplines and crafts, who own their creative business.

Sonoma County owned and operated
Significant negative impacts to operations as a result of COVID-19
Generated less than $50,000 in business revenue in 2019
Open/operating prior to Dec. 31, 2019

Microbusiness is the primary source of income for the business owner
Did not receive a grant from the California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program
Not a business excluded from participation in the California Small Business COVID-19 Relief Grant Program: careliefgrant.com
Artists, Creatives and Creative Small Businesses: CA Microbusiness Grants STILL OPEN

The application portal remains open until funds are expended - visit the Economic Development Board grant webpage to learn more and apply.

Learn More

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Networking

Add Your Profile: Creative Sonoma Artist & Creatives Directory

Get found! Through our free, online Artists & Creatives Directory, creatives have been offered jobs and gigs, been featured in media stories, and found collaborators.

We’re currently working on a project to update and refresh the directory. Click on the button to get started or to log in, or if you have additional questions, please email CreativeSonoma@sonoma-county.org.

Learn More

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Arts Education
October 2022 ArtsEd Blog

The Arts Education Alliance's Student Arts Spotlight shares the good news of the arts making a difference throughout our county each month. Share YOUR school or district’s accomplishments! Visit the blog for more on how to contribute to the Spotlight, and for links to other timely arts education resources.

Learn More

CREATIVE CALENDAR & OPPORTUNITIES

From our Creative Calendar:
Santa Rosa High School presents **ArtQuest's 29th Annual Fall Showcase**. Dance, Digital Arts, Instrumental and Vocal Music, Video Arts, Photography, Theatre Arts, and Visual Fine Arts. Oct 6 at 6pm.

MORE Events

From our Opportunities:  
**CA Poets in the Schools** seeks independent contractors to work on a contract or freelance basis as Poet-Teachers in Sonoma County. This is a great opportunity for poets at all stages of their careers.

MORE Opportunities

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