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OUR WORK

Public Art



Fire Memorial Public Art Project

In June 2022, the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors approved a plan to create and install a commemorative artwork recognizing the lives of those who perished in the

2017 wildfire complex. Creative Sonoma is managing the project on behalf of the Supervisors.

There are currently two opportunities open for participation:

- **Fire Memorial Project Manager - Request for Proposals (RFP):** Submissions are due by **Friday, March 31, 2023** at 2pm PT
- **Fire Memorial Task Force:** Now accepting applications, first review of applications received will occur in early April 2023.

Visit CreativeSonoma.org/Fire/ for more details about the project and opportunities.

[Learn More](#)

A promotional banner for the ArtSurround Creative Placemaking Program. The banner has a dark background with a grid pattern. In the top left, there is a circular inset showing a close-up of a honeycomb-like structure. In the top right, the Creative Sonoma logo is displayed, consisting of three concentric circles in blue, green, and orange. The main text 'ARTSURROUND' is in large, bold, black letters on a yellow background, with 'Creative Placemaking Program' in smaller white text below it. In the bottom left, there is a circular inset showing a woman in a hat looking at a wall. To the right of this inset, the text reads: 'Explore #ArtSurround to find 27 artists' events and installations throughout Sonoma County, Oct 2022 - June 2023!'. At the bottom, it says 'Learn more about projects: www.CreativeSonoma.org/ArtSurround'.

ARTSURROUND
Creative Placemaking Program

Explore #ArtSurround to find 27 artists' events and installations throughout Sonoma County, Oct 2022 - June 2023!

Learn more about projects: www.CreativeSonoma.org/ArtSurround

Ongoing from ArtSurround:

As ArtSurround projects are installed or presented, they are added to our new project webpage, CreativeSonoma.org/ArtSurround-Projects/. Multiple projects will launch in April - watch the page as well as follow Creative Sonoma's [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) pages for more details.

[Learn More](#)

Grants



Program Extended!

CA Microbusiness COVID-19 Relief Grant Program



Artists and Creatives are invited to apply for a \$2,500 grant!

APPLICATION WINDOW:

Apply by June 30, 2023

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.



BASIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- 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: carellefgrant.com

Artists, Creatives and Creative Small Businesses: CA Microbusiness Grants open through JUNE 30, 2023

The application portal has been extended - visit the Economic Development Board grant webpage to learn more and apply.

All applications due: **June 30, 2023**

[Learn More](#)

Arts Education



PHOTO: [Mitote Food Park](#) by Sarah Stierch (CC BY 4.0)

Arts Education Alliance Mix & Mingle

Join the Arts Education Alliance's Mix & Mingle to meet and reconnect with arts educators and advocates. Everyone is welcome to this casual event, while enjoying the fun environment at Mitote Food Park. Bring a friend - it's always a good time with new connections!

Mitote Food Park
635 Sebastopol Road, Santa Rosa
Thursday, April 13, 2023, 5:30-7:00pm

[Register](#)

Student Arts Spotlight

Casa Grande High School

"Rock of Ages"



This monthly feature celebrates excellence in local arts education!

Learn more: www.creativesonoma.org/artsed-news-april-2023

Brought to you by the Sonoma County Arts Education Alliance and Creative Sonoma

ArtsEd BLOG

Read the monthly Arts Education Blog for more information on this month's Student Arts Spotlight (great job, Casa Grande High School!), as well as for local resources available in the field of arts education.

[Read the Blog](#)

Arts Education Newsletter

Do you want to receive more information on local arts education news and events? The [Sonoma County Arts Education Alliance](#) newsletter is published month. Click on the button to join their mailing list!

[Sign Up](#)

CREATIVE CALENDAR & OPPORTUNITIES



From our Creative Calendar:

Santa Rosa Symphony presents Opera in Concert: Mozart's "The Magic Flute", a concert version of his most popular opera!. April 15, 7:30-9:30pm, Weil Hall in Rohnert Park.

MORE Events



From our Opportunities:

Sebastopol Center for the Arts is hiring for multiple positions: Executive Director, Advancement Director, and Business Membership Manager. Open until filled.

MORE Opportunities