

The TEDxMinneapolis team announces a request for proposal for artists to show their work at TEDxMinneapolis 2017 "Why Not" on Friday August 18, 2017 from 4-10 pm.

The RFP is open to all Minneapolis artists working in any medium: studio, digital, sculpture, social practice, spoken/written word, architecture, dance/choreography, sound/music and everything in between. The purpose of this is to showcase and promote the breadth of Minneapolis art. Artists will be provided a unique opportunity to show their work to an engaged assembly of attendees, a stipend ranging from \$250-\$1000, and free attendance to the event. The artist stipend is intended to assist with material costs and payment for the artist's work. If work is a physical piece, the artists' work will be on display throughout the evening, if it is an interactive or performative piece, the team will work with the selected artist to coordinate timing. Art selected will align with and compliment the event theme with special attention paid to proposals that create immersive experiences, involve participation and/or community interaction.

About The Event:

TEDxMinneapolis is Minneapolis' bridge for the ideas and inspirations of our cultural, technological, creative, inventive, and artistic communities.

TEDxMinneapolis 2017 "Why Not" will be hosted at the Cowles Center for Dance and the Performing Arts in Downtown Minneapolis on August 18, 2017. In a time when communities seem as polarized and isolated as ever, it can feel difficult to explore new concepts and enact change in meaningful ways. It is important to remember, however, that even the smallest actions can ripple out and impact communities in ways greater than thought possible. With TEDxMinneapolis 2017, we invite you to break out of old habits, tread new paths, and take action with all the matters that have only been possibilities until now. Learn a new skill you've always wanted to try. Have conversations with people you disagree with. Push beyond your boundaries and ask yourself and your community, "Why Not?"

There are a variety of spaces in the Cowles Center that have opportunities for art, including the lobby, the James Sewell Ballet TEK BOX studio, and the Target Education Studio. Photos of the venue can be viewed with [this link](#). **Please take these spaces into consideration when creating your proposal- many of the spaces are large and can support work (performative and physical) that may have a large footprint.**

Additional information can be found at TEDxMinneapolis.com

How To Apply:

Please send the following to hannah.novillo@gmail.com:

In the body of the email include:

- Your name and contact information (including phone number).
- Tell us about the work you hope to present. What will the attendee see, feel, hear? Keep it simple! We want to understand your vision.
- Explain how your work relates to the theme of "Why Not?".
- Looking at the timeline, how will you create and/or present the work in the allotted amount of time?

As attachments to the email include:

- Up to 6 digital images of your proposal in JPEG format (no image may be larger than 5 MB). Each image must be a separate file. Each must be named with the applicant's last name and a number (ex. Doe_1.jpg). Please do not include explanatory text in the image file.
- If new work is being created and you are unable to submit images of that work please indicate that and describe the work you intend to create through text and/or sketches.

Timeline: Additional details will be provided upon selection.

Submission Deadline: 11:59PM, July 12, 2017

Selection Notification: Friday, July 14, 2017

Open Week for Onsite Visits: Monday July 17, 2017- Friday, July 21, 2017

Event Date: Friday, August 18, 2017

Art Pickup: Saturday, August 19, 2017.

Have a question or concern? Send Hannah an email at hannah.novillo@gmail.com