

Request for Proposals: RFP—Call for participation and proposals
JADE-MIDWAY Community Connections

Creative Community Engagement Workshop & Grants

Jade-Midway district is giving out mini-grants to fund imaginative community engagement projects. We are inviting neighborhood activists, residents, teachers, creative professionals in the arts (artist, filmmaker, designer, performer, musician, etc.), DIY entrepreneurs, storytellers, practitioners of folk art, outsider art, healing arts, culinary arts, martial art and gardening arts to apply. Anyone who lives or works near the Jade-Midway district, or has an interest in the area, is eligible to apply. Applicants can apply individually or team up with a community partner: school, local business, neighborhood association or ethnic community group. Priority will be given to proposals that include community participation or collaboration.

We are open to all kinds of creative and unusual collaborations. We welcome innovative and fun approaches that facilitate place-making, economic development and community collaboration. Applicants are encouraged to also consider topics that illuminate and engage the Jade-Midway district's diverse ethnic communities, social justice concerns, gentrification, etc.

Anyone interested to apply for this community engagement grant is strongly encouraged to participate in the creative place-making and community engagement workshop on the Saturday, Feb 7, where artists and community activists can get to know each other and learn about this wonderful opportunity. Ideally this session will open doors and stimulate collaborations.

We have a great temporary space – the vacant furniture store on SE 82nd and Division, across from the PCC campus and some funding. We are also in the process of identifying more community collaborating partners and venues. Let us know if you have an interesting idea but haven't yet found a collaborating artist or community partner or a venue, we will help you connect with the interested parties.

Background

The Jade District (82nd and Division) and Midway (122nd and Division) are two of Portland's Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative Districts that focus on a community driven approach to economic development. This strip of SE Division (East of 82nd Ave) and SE Powell (west of 82nd Ave) will be a major leg of the planned Powell Division High Capacity Transit Project that will connect Gresham with Portland. This is the time to involve the neighborhoods in a conversation about place, social justice and economic development. In this diverse ethnic and cultural community where 45 languages are spoken at the local elementary school, art is a universal language. Our job is to create opportunities where community makers and performers can work with local organizations to develop a series of temporary performances, exhibitions, and installations, focusing on place-making, social justice, economic development and community collaboration.



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More information

Jade District - <http://www.jadedistrict.org>

Midway Alliance - <http://www.divisionmidwayalliance.com>

Neighborhood Prosperity Initiative –

<http://www.pdc.us/for-businesses/business-district-programs-support/neighborhood-prosperity.aspx>

How to apply

It is highly advised but not required that interested parties attend Creative Community Engagement Workshop.

Workshop: Saturday, February 7, 2015. 10 AM – 3 PM

Location: Jade District Office - 2738 SE 82nd Ave Suite 203B Portland, OR 97266

The office just south of the corner of SE Division is tucked behind Wing WA King and across a small parking lot from HA & VL Sandwich.

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/2738+SE+82nd+Ave+%23203b,+Portland,+OR+97266/@45.5027055,-122.5784212,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0x5495a04c3e1396c3:0x2a11fb2a9f2ad103>

Application:

There is a one-page application form included in this document and available as a separate word doc. Fill it out. Keep it concise but tell us what we need to know. Include some type of documentation such as: 4-8 images, web links, clippings or a flyer. If you are new to this process or would just like some help, just let us know. Horatio and Linda are happy to assist.

The applications must be submitted by 5 pm on February 23rd. They may be submitted by e-mail to either Horatio or Linda or placed in an envelope and dropped off at the local neighborhood offices:

Jade District: 2738 SE 82nd Ave Suite 203B Portland, OR 97266

Division Midway: 122nd & Division SE Corner, Pizza Baron Mall 97236

Proposals are due by 5:00 pm on Monday February 23rd

Any questions concerning the grant proposal/application and details of workshop program, please contact:

Linda Wysong
lindabluehouse@gmail.com
503 312-7585

Horatio Hung-Yan Law
horatiolaw@gmail.com
914 471-6846



Application

Creative Community Engagement Project Proposal/Application

Name(s): List individual(s) involved in this project

Contact Information: List project representative's address, phone number and email address

Address:

Phone:

Email:

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1. Proposal description (Describe briefly what will happen, where and when)

2. Concept and Idea (Tell us your idea, why you want to do this, what are your interests and concerns)

3. Community Connection (Describe how this project relates to or benefits targeted communities or collaborating community partners)

4. Expected Project Outcome (Describe what you hope will result from this activity)

5. Estimate Proposal Cost (List estimate cost of materials, services and anything else relating to this project)

6. Documentation – Include some type of documentation such as: 4-8 images, web links, clippings or a flyer. Not sure, please ask!

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