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The <u>Region of Waterloo Arts Fund</u> (RWAF) is seeking local artists and arts allies to join our Board of Directors.

Who we are— The mission of the Arts Fund is "to make art happen". We do that using a peer-review model, providing grants to artists who live and work in the Region of Waterloo. Since its founding in 2002, the Fund has awarded over \$4,000,000 to support more than 800 projects across all arts disciplines, in the cities and townships that make up this unique area of Southern Ontario. Learn all about the Arts Fund and its vital impact on local culture by visiting our <u>website</u>.

Commitment to serve— The Arts Fund is managed by a volunteer 14-member board of local artists and arts administrators. Serving as a board director means contributing time, expertise and goodwill in service of a dynamic and increasingly diverse arts sector. Directors are acknowledged as having a leadership role within the arts community. A full description of skills, tasks, responsibilities, and expectations can be found on our website, <u>here</u>.

Who we are looking for— To best reflect the community we serve, the Arts Fund is actively seeking diverse perspectives and expertise in Literary Arts, Music, Theatre, and Visual Arts, including photography and media-based arts. Experience running festivals, arts events, or an arts organization is an asset. Local creators and supporters in the IBPOC and LGBTQ2+ communities, young artists, emerging artists, and artists with differing abilities are encouraged to apply. Candidates typically begin as Artist@Large Advisors, with an eye to joining the Board when there is interest and capacity. To learn more about the valued role of an Artist@Large, please see here.

Contact us— Let's start a conversation. Please address your inquiry to the Arts Fund Chair, and include a resume or CV with your email to <u>info@artsfund.ca</u>.

Help the Arts Fund extend our reach— Please forward this request for engagement to your arts network. We hope you will consider volunteering as an Artist-at-Large advisor and becoming a future board member, or recommending someone who could.

And thanks for all you do for the arts and artists in our region.