



Call for Proposals:

SEEKING FUTURE CREATIVE LEADERS FOR  
INTERDISCIPLINARY CREATION INCUBATOR

**Posting Date: July 15, 2021**

**Deadline: September 15, 2021**

Inter Arts Matrix is running a pilot program to further the professional development of emerging artistic directors of inter and multi-disciplinary projects. The pilot consists of *six creation workshops* of experimental interdisciplinary performances, giving new artistic leaders the opportunity to work with artists of other disciplines, performers, designers, stage manager, production manager, and technical staff, while being supported and mentored by an experienced artistic director from six participating organizations - Inter Arts Matrix, MT Space, NUMUS, Neruda Arts, Open Ears, and Studio D20 Media Arts Collective.

**Eligible Applicants:** emerging professional artists of any discipline living and working in the Region of Waterloo, Ontario Canada.

**Artist Fee:** \$3,000/emerging artistic director

**Project Budget:** \$12,000/project for performers' and designers' fees

**In kind support:** stage manager, production manager, rehearsal space, equipment, technological services, documentation, digital engagement support, and mentoring

**First Stage Proposal:**

**Please submit a single pdf to including the following to:**

**[info@interartsmatrix.ca](mailto:info@interartsmatrix.ca)**

- **Cover letter** (one page)
- **Proposed project description** (one page)
- **Curriculum Vitae** (maximum three pages)
- **Supporting material** – link to a portfolio of images, video and audio files, containing documentation of your previous work

Short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview.

We are looking for three proposals to be mentored by the artistic directors of Inter Arts Matrix, Neruda Arts, and Studios D20 Media Arts Collective. This is a two-stage competition managed through an internal selection committee.

(For the comparison purposes of the pilot program three projects have been selected from proposals put forward by the artistic directors of MT Space, NUMUS and Open Ears).

We strongly encourage artistic applications from self-identifying Indigenous (First Nations, Inuit and Métis), Black, Persons of Colour, persons from LGBTQ2+ communities, persons with disabilities and marginalized groups. We encourage self-identification during our selection processes as a way of increasing representation, understanding and to ensure organizational strategic priorities are being met as we strive towards higher levels of equity.

### **Take a chance?**

Our goal with this program is to help grow new artistic directors in the Region of Waterloo community. Applicants don't need extensive resumes or experience. We are looking for applicants who can demonstrate that they have interdisciplinary creative vision, capacity for working thoughtfully with others, and experience meeting deadlines and getting things done. As with all programs, we also use applications as a way of getting to know curious creative community members for future projects, so we'd be delighted to meet you and get to know your work and vision.

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Questions?

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