

COVID-19 POLICY

The opening or closing of any arts venue, program, experience, office, studio, or gallery is the sole decision and responsibility of the leaders of the Arts Council of York County. We all want to open the galleries and classroom and allow exhibitions and art classes to be able to take place; however, safety is paramount. Visitors' temperatures will be taken upon entrance to the facility. The temperature must be below 100.4 to enter the galleries.

In order to open safely, the Arts Council is prepared to make adjustments for our staff and visitors.

- Each ACYC-managed area is limited to an occupancy of no more than 15 people (excluding authorized personnel and tenants).
- Guests must wear face masks at all venues.
- Guests must adhere to social distance requirements (six feet) at all times.
- Class participants should touch only the items on their designated table.
- Gallery visitors must not touch the artwork.
- High touch service areas and items requiring frequent hand contact will be removed from use.
- We encourage everyone to wash hands regularly. Guests will have access to soap and water to maintain proper recommended hand washing protocols. Disinfectant towels, hand sanitizer, and disposable paper towels will be available.
- Everyone must conduct daily symptom evaluations. If you have any of these symptoms you should not attend or must leave: fever, cough, or shortness of breath.
- If you have contracted COVID-19, been exposed to someone who has contracted the virus, or travelled to any high-risk area within the past two weeks, you should not attend.

The information provided in this document is for general informational purposes and to help you make informed decisions. Notwithstanding any and all Federal and State requirements, re-opening and resuming activities are at your own discretion.

Although all information in this document is provided in good faith, we make no representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, regarding the adequacy or completeness of these guidelines.

Guidelines are subject to change at the discretion of the Arts Council.

**WAIVER/RELEASE FOR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES INCLUDING COVID-19
ASSUMPTION OF RISK / WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

The novel coronavirus ("COVID-19"), has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people.

The Arts Council of York County ("ACYC") has put in place preventative measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19; however, the ACYC cannot guarantee that you will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending and/or participating in any activity within the ACYC's facilities could increase your risk of contracting COVID-19.

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assume the risk that you may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 by attending and/or participating in activities in connection with the ACYC's facilities and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. You understand that attendance and/or participation in activities within the ACYC's facilities is completely voluntary. You understand that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of yourself and others, including, but not limited to, the ACYC's employees, volunteers, and other participants and their families.

You voluntarily agree to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any injury (including, but not limited to, personal injury, disability, and death), illness, damage, loss, claim, liability, or expense, of any kind, that you may experience or incur in connection with attendance and/or participation in activities at the ACYC's facilities ("Claims"). You willingly agree to comply with the preventative measures and conditions for attendance and participation in activities for protection against the spread of COVID-19.

You hereby release, covenant not to sue, discharge, and hold harmless the ACYC, its employees, agents, and representatives, of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. You understand and agree that this release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the ACYC, its employees, agents, and representatives, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after participation in or attendance at in any ACYC related activities.

I HAVE READ THIS RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT, FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND SIGN IF FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT.

PRINT NAME *(Parent and/or legal guardian, if under 18 years old)*

SIGNATURE

DATE

10/9/2020