**The Arts Institute—Call for Applications and Application Form**

**Faculty Arts Engagement Workshop Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

**College of Arts and Sciences – Fairfield University**

**Mission Statement**:

The Arts [Institute](https://www.fairfield.edu/undergraduate/academics/centers/arts-institute/index.html) promotes artistic inquiry and practice by supporting scholarship, exhibitions, and performances that unite faculty, staff, students, and arts institutions within Fairfield University. Our focus includes the visual, performing, and literary arts and culture within the College of Arts and Sciences’ academic departments, as well as the Quick Center for the Arts ([QCA](https://quickcenter.fairfield.edu/index.html))and the Fairfield University Art Museum ([FUAM](https://www.fairfield.edu/museum/)). We fulfill the University's mission by fostering excellence in arts programming, encouraging community dialogue with the arts, and emphasizing student engagement.

**About the Faculty Arts Engagement Workshop:**

The purpose of this workshop is to continue an opportunity for faculty to develop strategies to incorporate the arts into curricula, no matter what the discipline. The workshop will concentrate on arts events and activities planned or under discussion for the academic year 2025-2026. **Funding is available for five faculty members**, for a collaborative process during a half day on January 14, facilitated by members of the Arts Institute, the QCA and the FUAM. The workshop will take place in the Museum Classroom, BLM LL 105. Coffee and lunch will be provided. Following the January workshop, each participant will be assigned a faculty mentor in the arts, who will continue to work with them through the following calendar year.

**General Requirements:**

Applications may be submitted by any faculty member (full-time and contingent, from all University Colleges and Schools). The workshop will include the following themes:

* Helping faculty to learn about planned arts-based activities and events during the 2025-2026 academic year
* Strategizing on ways to include arts engagement in curricula, whether for an individual or group from a department or an interdisciplinary program
* Methodologies for student enrichment and engagement in the arts
* Development of interdisciplinary pilot projects, connecting the sciences, social sciences and humanities with the arts
* Brainstorming with arts leaders about potential speaker, performance and exhibition events

What might be especially appealing is to have some faculty from the Sciences or within one department or program, or from the Humanities and/or Social Sciences. They could use the workshop to develop pilot projects, and in turn, facilitate more engagement with their colleagues.

**Stipends and Support for Programming:**

Stipends will be $250 per faculty member participating in the workshop, with up to an additional $500 to support subsequent programming.

**Deadline:**

The deadline for the submission of applications (attached separately) will be Friday, December 10, 2024. Notifications will be sent to applicants by December 20. The workshop will take place on January 14.

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