Arts Are Elementary began in 1980 when a group of parents, artists and teachers sought to increase access to the arts in Brunswick’s elementary schools. Today AAE provides (at least) six artist residencies annually for every K-5 student in Brunswick (Coffin Elementary, Harriet Beecher Stowe Elementary and St. John’s Catholic School), giving students the unique opportunity to work one-on-one with professional artists and various art media. Where residencies lend themselves to final performances, school assemblies, and/or art installations, we try to make these happen in collaboration with our artists. AAE is unusual because we tie the subject matter of our residencies to the Brunswick School Department curriculum for each grade. AAE also co-sponsors the annual All Species Parade in Brunswick, celebrating the many species that live on our Earth, and participates in the Family Arts Festival put on by Five Rivers Arts Alliance.

Some Background about our Residencies:
While classroom teachers will be in the room during our residencies and will help as needed, AAE artists are the classroom leaders during their residencies. It is the AAE artist’s responsibility to explain at each session:
(1) the project and how it ties into the Brunswick School Department curriculum;
(2) what the students will be doing during that session;
(3) what the students will do during subsequent sessions.

We also ask that artists begin their residencies by orienting the project in the school curriculum. For example, if your proposed project is to make Botanical Banners with first graders, tying into the first grade curriculum study of plants, you might begin your first session by speaking to the students about what the different parts of a plant are, why plants are important, and how making Botanical Banners might help them to remember the various plant parts and help them to appreciate plants.

DUE TO RECENT CHANGES IN SCHEDULING AT BRUNSWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS, IT IS VERY HELPFUL FOR A PROPOSED RESIDENCY TO INCLUDE A LITERACY COMPONENT.

PLEASE NOTE that at the time of your residency students may not have yet covered the curriculum area you are tying into. PLEASE ALSO NOTE that the curriculum at St. John’s Catholic School does not necessarily follow that of the Brunswick School Department. If you are a past AAE artist, the above are changes from what you have experienced with us in the past.

We regard our residencies both as increased exposure to the arts as well as an enhancement of the school curriculum.

Thank you for your interest in Arts Are Elementary. Please submit your completed application to Kristi Hatrick, Executive Director of AAE. Emailed applications may be sent to aaedirector@gmail.com. Mailed applications may be sent to P.O. Box 882, Brunswick, ME 04011. Feel free to contact Kristi with any and all questions regarding your application: aaedirector@gmail.com, (207) 725-1232 or (207) 406-0308 (cell).

*** THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 1st ***

***Please keep this page for your reference***
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ARTIST RESIDENCY APPLICATION

*** Please include all of the Information Requested – Feel Free to Use Additional Pages ***

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

Phones: Home_______________________ Cell___________________________

Email: _______________________________________________________________________

Website: _______________________________________________________________________

1. Brief Bio:

2. Proposed Residency:

   A. Overview of Proposed Residency

   B. Grade you Propose to Work With (please indicate whether you could modify your proposal to work with any other grades)

   C. Curriculum Tie-In(s)

      NOTE: Please visit the Brunswick School Department website
            (http://www.brunswick.k12.me.us/curriculum-3/curriculum-final) for curriculum details and indicate here how your proposed residency ties in to the Brunswick School Department curriculum for each grade you would be willing to work with.

   D. Literacy Component

   E. Number of Proposed Visits and Proposed Duration of Each Visit

      NOTE: Our residencies typically include 3 to 4 visits to each classroom for 45 minutes to an hour each and typically take 10 days to 2 weeks to complete. Artists typically meet with 4 classes per day. Artists visit students at two or three schools in Brunswick and move between classrooms to conduct their residencies. Artists typically have 10 to 15 minutes to move from one class to the next and 25 minutes to move from school to school.

      If your typical residency typically follows a different model, please indicate (a) the format of your typical residency AND (b) how/whether you could modify your usual residency format to fit within our typical model. If you could not modify your typical residency to fit within this framework, please let us know this, too.

   F. Detailed Explanation of Proposed Residency Session Schedule (what would students do at each session of your residency?)

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G. Other

You may plan on students having access to pencils, markers, scissors, and some paper. Any other necessary materials should either be provided by you or you should ask ahead of time whether they might be available in the classrooms. Are there any additional materials you are hoping would be available in the classrooms? If so, please list.

Please note that if your residency would be messy, you would need to provide table coverings (table cloths, newspaper) and smocks (if necessary) – AAE does not provide these materials.

With enough advance notice, AAE may be able to help with transporting materials, instruments, etc., for residencies. Would you need this sort of assistance? Please explain.

3. Availability:

NOTE: We do not typically schedule residencies for September, May or June.

4. Fee Requirements: Daily Rate PLUS cost for materials = TOTAL PROPOSED FEE

NOTE: AAE will no longer reimburse separately for materials. INSTEAD we ask artists to include the cost estimate for materials either as a part of their daily rate or as an amount included in the total cost for the proposed residency.

When calculating your total proposed fee, please indicate the number of classes you propose to visit each day (please see cover sheet for more details on this).

Currently in Brunswick there are

11 kindergarten classes
9 first grade classes
4 first/second grade multi-age classes
(Year “A” with first grade and Year “B” with second grade – 2014/15 was Year “B”; 2015/16 will be Year “A”)
7 second grade classes
10 third grade classes
9 fourth grade classes
9 fifth grade classes

For initial planning purposes, assume 20 children per class.

5. Possibility of a Culminating Event (concert, art exhibit, performance, etc.) and Any Associated Extra Fee?

6. Have you done a Prior Residency with AAE? If so, when? What was you project(s) and for which grade(s)?

7. References

8. Please Attach a Current Resume