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SEPTEMBER 4 DEADLINE FOR ROSTER ARTIST ENDORSEMENT

PIERRE, S.D. – Artists who are interested in becoming involved in the South Dakota Arts Council’s Artists in Schools and Communities (AISC) program can now apply for endorsement to the roster. The Council is now accepting applications through Sept. 4.

The Artists in Schools and Communities program provides intensive, hands-on educational opportunities in all arts disciplines to students of all ages across the state by providing funds to schools and nonprofit organizations that bring in groups and individuals for residencies. The artists are responsible for developing their residency lesson plans. Residencies are coordinated through the South Dakota Arts Council office as part of its Arts in Education programming.

Applicants should begin preparing materials now. The application process is somewhat involved, requiring completion of an applicant profile, an artist statement, resume/biography, a residency outline, references, and letters of support. Support documentation and work samples are also required.

Artists interested in applying for the Artists in Schools and Communities program must apply through the SDAC’s online e-grant process. Hard copies of the applications will not be accepted. For more information and a link to the e-grant system, visit www.artsCouncil.sd.gov/grants/aiscartist.aspx. Contact Rebecca Cruse, SDAC deputy director at 605-773-3301 or rebecca.cruse@state.sd.us with questions regarding the AISC program.

An office of the South Dakota Department of Tourism, the South Dakota Arts Council’s mission is to provide grants and services to artists, arts organizations and schools across the state, with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts and South Dakota state government.

The South Dakota Department of Tourism is comprised of Tourism and the South Dakota Arts Council. The Department is led by Secretary James D. Hagen.