**College of Health Professions**

**Call for Artists**

**Requests for Proposals (RFP) for the**

**2018 - 2019 BecVar Artist in Residence Program**

**The BecVar Artist in Residence Mission:**

This program’s mission is to facilitate the examination of the art and science of nursing and the health sciences through the eyes of an undergraduate student working in any of the fine and creative art mediums. The goal is a better understanding of health care work on the part of health care workers themselves and the general public.

**The Award:**

Students receiving the BecVar Artist in Residence Award will receive approximately $1,250/semester for two consecutive semesters while working on their project. There is also up to $500 available for installation, printing or production costs (depending on the medium).

**Project Intent:**

The Artist in Residence participates in the many activities and lived experiences of faculty, students, patients, and families in the health sciences and creates an artistic response to be shared with the Bellarmine community and the community at large. The Artist works with a Bellarmine faculty mentor in his/her chosen artistic discipline.

**Eligibility:**

* The student must be a full time student in good academic standing holding junior or senior status when in residence.
* The student must be graduation eligible within one year of award completion.
* Student must have a declared major or minor in one of the following departments:
* Art (Digital Art; Painting; Photography; Sculpture & Extended Media; Administration)
* Communication (Advertising & Public Relations; Graphic & Digital Design; Journalism & New Media Writing; Social Media Marketing; Broadcasting; Television & Radio Production)
* Design, Arts & Technology
* English
* Music (Education; Instrumental; Jazz Studies; Piano Pedagogy & Accompanying; Vocal; Theory/Composition; Technology)
* Theatre
* Full time Bellarmine University Faculty sponsorship/mentorship.

**How to Apply:**

Artists interested in this project must prepare and submit the following by **October 27, 2017**:

* Brief cover letter
* Artist in Residence Application (found online\*), including the following:
* Statement of Purpose
* Interest in Program and Personal and Professional Benefits (No more than 500 words.)
* Overview of Project  -  An overview (500 – 750 words) of work you would like to pursue in this program, keeping in mind the program’s learning outcomes:

The student will demonstrate knowledge of:

*a)Both the art and science of professional education in health care, explored through the context of teaching and learning in the College of Health Professions and demonstrated through a narrative by the artist.*

b) *The everyday work and care of the College of Health Professions faculty and students with patients and families, demonstrated through an artistic work overseen by a faculty mentor/sponsor of the work and presented during Undergraduate Research Celebration Week.*

* Discussion of rationale for selected medium
* Plan for interactions with students and faculty in the Lansing School of Nursing and Health Sciences so that you are engaged with them as you plan and create your work
* Current Resume.
* Three professional/academic references familiar with you and/or your work.
* Samples of previous work via CD, DVD or website link.

Applications are to be sent to Dr. Mark Wiegand, Vice-Provost, College of Health Professions (Miles 314) by **October 27, 2017. Late and/or incomplete applications will not be accepted.**

**Final Artist Selection:**

Applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of representatives from each of these artistic areas: 1) English and Theatre; 2) Music; 3) Art; 4) School of Communication; and the College of Health Professions Artist in Residence Liaison. **Their decision will be conveyed via letter from the Vice-Provost of the College of Health Professions to applicants no later than December 1, 2017.**

**Criteria for Selection:**

Applications for the BecVar Artist in Residence will be considered based on the following criteria:

* Quality of written application;
* Originality of the proposal;
* Ability of applicant to complete the project in the allotted time frame;
* Professional/academic references;
* Previous completed works.

**\*Artist in Residence Website**: <http://www.bellarmine.edu/lansing/air/>