

Teen Advisory Council 2019-20 Application Preview

We are so thrilled to kick off the 2019-20 school year at ArtsConnection with Teen Advisory Council (TAC)! The mission of TAC is to put you – the teens – at the center of all our programming. As a member of TAC, you will be helping to represent ArtsConnection Teens Programs, brainstorm new teen programming, participate in community outreach, plan and run engaging events and initiatives for your peers, contribute to ArtsConnection's blog, attend fun events on behalf of ArtsConnection, meet & collaborate with like-minded teens, attend awesome arts event for free, and much, much more!

Any questions regarding the program or application please contact Allison Whorton at WhortonA@artsconnection.org or 212-302-7433 ext 462.

1. Eligibility: Open to high school teens that have participated in one of ArtsConnection's Teen Programs (TRaC, Student Art Program, Art2Art, Teens Curate Teens, Internship, etc.)

2. Schedule for Teen Advisory Council:

This is a 9-month commitment (October-June). TAC will meet Wednesdays starting October 24 from 4:30-6:30pm at ArtsConnection (with some occasional off-site meetings and events). Dates are:

Semester 1:

1. Weds., October 23
2. Weds., October 30
3. Weds., November 6
4. Weds., November 13
5. Weds., November 27
6. Weds., December 4
7. Weds., December 11
8. Weds., December 18
9. Weds., January 8
10. Weds., January 15
11. Weds., January 22
12. Weds., January 29
13. Weds., February 5
14. Weds., February 12

Semester 2:

1. Weds., February 26
2. Weds., March 4
3. Weds., March 11
4. Weds., March 18
5. Weds., March 25
6. Weds., April 1

7. Weds., April 8
8. Weds., April 22
9. Weds. April 29
10. Weds., May 6
11. Weds., May 13
12. Weds., May 20
13. Weds., May 27
14. Weds., June 3
15. Weds., June 10
16. Weds., June 17

DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

3. Click on *Log-In and Apply*. For new registrants this will allow you to set up a profile and see other open applications in Teen Programs. Be sure to include your most accurate contact information in the bio so we can communicate with you. Do not include email addresses or phone numbers that you rarely use.

4. Check the *Open Applications* list and start the **Teen Advisory Council Application.** The application asks you a few questions about your availability to attend program dates, your interest in the program, and your experience and interests as a visual artist. We strongly recommend that you read over your answers before submitting your application to ensure they are clear. Here are the questions we ask you to answer on the application:

***Full name**

***Best email address to reach you**

***Best phone number to reach you**

***What previous ArtsConnection Teen Programs have you participated in? Select all that apply.**

- High 5 Tickets to the Arts
- Teen Advisory Council (TAC)
- Teen Reviewers and Critics (TRaC)
- Student Art Program (artist exhibitor)
- Teens Curate Teens (artist)
- Teens Curate Teens (curator)
- Pizza and a Movie Night
- Art2Art @ Abingdon Theatre
- Art2Art: *Dear Evan Hansen*
- Internship

***How did you find out about the TAC program?**

***What other internships, after-school programs, or extracurricular activities have you participated in (in or out of school)? Are you currently participating in any of these programs?**

***Why are you interested in being a member of the Teen Advisory Council (TAC)?**

***Please describe an experience in which you took a leadership role within a group. What were some successes? What were some challenges?**

***As a member of TAC you will be working collaboratively as a group. What qualities do you think make a good member of a team?**

***What role do the arts (visual arts, music, dance, theater, film, mixed media) play in your life? Besides the arts, what do you love to do?**

***Write about an arts experience that has blown your mind.**

***As a member of the Teen Advisory Council, what are one or two projects you envision TAC working on? Be creative. No idea is too big or too small!**

***TAC is a fun, but serious program that depends on each participant's punctuality and attendance. Are you available to commit to attending meetings on Wednesdays (4:30-6:30pm) from October-June? If not, please specify any possible conflicts.**

***What other days of the week (if any) do you typically have free? (Include weekends)**

***As we are working on group projects, communication with fellow TAC members outside of meetings will be necessary. Will you be able to check and reply to emails from your TAC advisor and fellow TAC team members regarding ongoing projects? Select one of the following responses.**

-Yes, definitely! I'm always online and in the know.

-No, I do not have regular access to email.

-I don't usually check my email that often, but I will make an exception for TAC.

***As a member of TAC, there are occasionally some later nights when we work events or go see shows that won't let out until approx. 10pm, accompanied by an ArtsConnection staff member. There will always be advanced notice, and not all of these events will be required. Is this typically okay with you and your parents/guardians?**

5. Save and submit your application. You can save your application and work on it later if you need to by clicking the **SAVE** button at the bottom of the screen. This is a great tool if you need more time to think about your answers. Just keep in mind that you will have to log in to the Teen Application Portal to complete and submit your application in order for it to be reviewed for the program. Once you submit the application, then you'll receive a confirmation email telling you that we have your application.

6. Application Timeline. Applications must be submitted no later than **Sunday, September 29 @ 11:59pm**. Interviews will be held the weeks of September 30 and October 7.