



**NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR ARTS IN HEALTH
CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

Conference information:

- NOAHCON 2022
- November 2nd-3rd in Baltimore, MD
- Virtual day November 15th
- Applicants choose between virtual/in-person in their submission form

The conference will be composed of:

- Artists
- Arts administrators
- Healthcare professionals - administrative or clinical
- Designers
- Educators
- Students
- Anyone with an interest in arts in health

June 22nd, 2022 - Call for Proposals opens

July 22nd, 2022, 11:59 pm PDT - Submissions deadline

Mid-August, 2022 - Applicants will be notified whether their submissions are accepted or declined

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

Formats:

- Presentations-
 - Self select in-person or virtual
 - 30 minutes
 - Interactive or lecture-based with 10 minute Q&A incorporated
 - Applicable to all conference attendees (200+ attendees)
- Poster
 - An opportunity to still present information if presentation proposal doesn't fit

Focus Area 1 - The Continuum of Care

The field of arts in health has been compelled to re-imagine what practices look like. We find ourselves reconnecting with our communities amidst new protocols, policies, and approaches. We continue to expand into AND beyond traditional healthcare facilities into an evolving ecosystem of health and healthcare as we integrate holistic, preventative and innovative practices for individual and community health.

- How do we continue to adapt as we focus not just on healing and recovery, but on health and wellbeing in a variety of environments?
- What solutions can we offer as we explore community and public health?
- How do we invite, include, and learn from the next generation and other new and existing communities who are doing arts in health work?
- How do we continue to care for our vital caregivers?
- What are some positive outcomes of the last few years, and how can we apply those to our work today?
- What new programming models are emerging? Where are they taking place and who is leading them?
- How are our practices expanding and what new issues/situations are being addressed?

Focus Area 2 - A Fuller Spectrum of Arts in Health

Arts in health is composed of many voices and needs to include even more. This focus area prioritizes and elevates the voices once minoritized, but now with heightened appreciation for their critical value in guiding the future of the field. As arts in health continues to grow, imagine and implement equitable professionalization, we welcome opportunities to showcase practice, methodologies, frameworks, research, advocacy, activism, education and policy that demonstrate fuller cultural understanding and reflection on how our systems must evolve.

- How can arts in health assure more empowered representation of diverse voices?
- What bases of knowledge and perspective help to present a fuller understanding of what arts in health is and can be?
- How do equity, justice and liberation intersect with arts in health?
- What role should arts in health professionals utilize in advancing health equity?
- How can cultural humility in the work/field today continue to be developed? What barriers need to be overcome?
- How do we ensure standards of practice and also account for humility, humanity, and open-mindedness?
- What kind of research is supporting the growth and expansion of the field?
- What kind of research is challenging the status quo of the field?
- How do we reimagine our collective learning by incorporating different ways of knowing?
- As we strive to decolonize and grow in cultural understanding, what barriers do we need to overcome?
- How are people in the field creating impact on diversity, inclusion, and accessibility?

Selection Criteria

Reviewers will be using the following criteria to evaluate and select presentations:

- Demonstrated Impact
 - Research/Evaluation, if relevant
 - Collaborative
 - Project is transferable, adaptable, and/or replicable (scalable)
 - Creativity and innovation is evident
 - Sustainable
 - Relevance/Interest to the field
 - Written presentation has clear learning objectives and is well written
 - Presentation is given by a professional/experienced person in the field
 - Aligns with one of the conference focus areas
 - Diversity, equity and inclusion
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How to Submit a Presentation Proposal:

- Abstracts need to be no longer than 500 words.
- Visual arts, creative writing, dance, movement, theater, storytelling, and other expressive modalities are welcome. Interactive performances with instructive components and take-away resources may also be considered.
- Proposals must include 3 clear learning objectives.
- There must be a clear connection between the proposal and one or more of the conference focus areas.

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Rules and Regulations:

- No complimentary registration or compensation.
- Travel costs are the responsibility of the presenter(s).
- All presenters will not commercially promote a product or service during this presentation. All presentations will hold to a strictly educational format.
- All presenters have no actual or potential conflict of interest in relation to this program/presentation.
- All presenters are willing to present on any of the dates of the conference (November 2nd or 3rd, 2022, in-person OR November 15th, virtual).
- Presentations and all materials can be posted on the association's website and mobile app.
- Excluding audio-visual resources, you will need to bring any materials or art supplies necessary to conduct your interactive presentation. NOAH cannot provide supplies or reimburse for these items.

As part of NOAH's commitment to advancing diversity and inclusion in the field of arts in health, we aim to amplify traditionally underrepresented voices. Applicants are encouraged to share if they identify with one or more historically marginalized groups (examples include but are not limited to Immigrant, Indigenous, International, LGBTQIA, Person of Color, Person with Disability, Person of Size, Socioeconomic Disadvantage). This is not a requirement for submitting a proposal, but NOAH encourages applicants who come from one or more of these historically marginalized populations.

International submissions are welcome. NOAH recognizes that we have colleagues around the globe and strives to provide an expansive conference experience. With that in mind we seek submissions that highlight programs, research, and practices from other countries in addition to the US.

Disclaimers

- Non-members can apply and are encouraged to join our membership network
- Space is limited due to overwhelming response
- Reviewers reserve the right to combine proposals, request modifications to the session type, or otherwise shape the content to deliver the best programming possible.

NOAH's mission is to "unite, advance, and serve the field of arts in health" in America while envisioning a future where "arts in health is an integral part of health and wellbeing".

NOAH endeavors to

1. Demonstrate the valuable role of the arts in health and well-being
2. Integrate the arts in the planning, design, and operation of healthcare facilities
3. Advocate for arts programming within healthcare programming.