

2023-2024 Calendar Idea Submissions

Submit your event ideas for ACGR's calendar on this form. Come to our Planning Meeting, Monday, SEPT 19 prepared to discuss your idea(s). If you'd like to see past calendar ideas, see the Slack channel "2023-24-Calendar-Planning."

ONE IDEA PER FORM

* Idea submission deadline: SEPT 12 *Planning Meeting date: Monday, SEPT 19.

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Idea Title ***ONE IDEA PER FORM*** *

Birdhouse Exhibition - revisited idea from 2021

Idea Description in a Brief Blurb *

Inspired by an event sponsored by The Peconic Land Trust (<https://peconiclandtrust.org/get-involved/events/2nd-annual-art-and-nature-take-flight>)

"Spring is For the Birds" or "Tweet Dreams" (are made of these!) - Invite talented local artists to design a birdhouse. Entries (juried?) will be put on display at opening event and then available to view online where people can bid on them.

Pitch your idea. Why should this be an ACGR event? How does it relate to the arts and our mission? What is unique about it? Our mission: <https://www.artscouncilgr.org/about.html> *

This can be a combined fundraiser for Arts Council and a good cause/organization we select. By selecting an appropriate charity, we build community good will. Money raised will be shared. Can either be split two ways (ACGR and charity) or three ways (with artist, too).

Please join us for the opening of our first birdhouse exhibition, this inaugural event featuring the creations of over [number] talented local artists!

View, sip, snack, and bid on your favorite one – or more – created just for this event which benefits [name of good cause].

All bidding will be done online. After this in-person launch event to open bidding and give the public a chance to meet the artists, the birdhouses will be on display ONLINE and available for bidding until [date] when bidding will close.

Either bidding site or our website can showcase the artists and their submitted works. (The Peconic Trust link shows some incredible submissions!)

Winners will be announced [details to come].

Please do your best to identify your idea's defining category. Most ideas will likely combine multiple artistic elements, but it's helpful to try to categorize ideas to ensure our offerings are diverse. For example, 1 Hallow's Eve has visual art, music, theater, costume design, and it falls under "theater." Regarding "fine" art vs. "crafty" or "makers" art - this is so subjective, please do your best to identify if the way your idea will be executed would be considered by fine artists as fine art, or if it would be categorized as maker/crafty or even assembled art. If you can't place your idea in a single category, please explain in "other" and help us improve the form for next time with other necessary categories and feedback. *

Creative Placemaking: Using art to reimagine and reinvent public spaces and strengthen the connection between people and the places they share. Creative Placemaking is an umbrella term, but is directly tied to Sustainable Jersey's Creative Team certification. Our window painting and interactive butterfly mural in the alcove are examples of Creative Placemaking, and if we were SJ "Creative Team" certified, we could apply for grants. For a deeper dive, review these Slack channels: #creative-placemaking, #creative-team-sustainable-jersey and SJ's CT's goals: <https://rb.gy/64brar>

Fine Art: I.e., drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, glassmaking, collage, origami...

Crafter or Makers Art (only if the makers don't consider it fine art): I.e., chalk drawing, tie dye, knitting, rock painting, collage

Dance

Music

Theater

Film

Literary Arts: I.e., Poetry Month, Honoring a poet laureate

Other Performing Arts: I.e. spoken word, magic, acrobatics, puppeteering, anything auditioned on America's Got Talent!..

Other:

Preferred season(s) *

Note: The next few questions address the specific timing of when you envision your idea taking place.

Winter

Spring

Summer

Fall

Other:

If applicable, please describe if your idea is tied to a specific holiday or time of year, or if you foresee it as something else such as April 1, Poetry Month, Quarterly, Pre-Holiday shopping period....

Late March, right after the official first day of spring, weather permitting.
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Do you foresee this becoming an annual event? *

*OR, you're submitting a past Arts Council event, like the film festival for example, would you like it to continue to be added to the calendar annually?

Yes

No

Maybe

Other:

What year do you envision launching your event for the first time?

- 2022
- 2023
- 2024

Where would this event be held? List possible locations. *

Thielke Arboretum - in the clearing to the left of the little "cottage" located on a path toward the welcome center.

Include links to images (photos, video) to help illustrate the idea. (Write n/a if not applicable.) *

view of arboretum cottage area 1 -

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1uukaDXyoG0dvUZWykmKRI3z3aNzXEPWW/view?usp=sharing>

view of arboretum cottage area 2 - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y-eRIlJdlKedNEPwQ92FDtjRgj2Wyjt/view?usp=sharing>

view of arboretum cottage area 3 -

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yFhclrW4ZkKLt8ij_xjY8rxKfKFECqTa/view?usp=sharing

Are you willing and able to chair this event? If not, name the person(s) you'd recommend or have in mind to chair under "other." *

Yes

No

Maybe

Other:

Libby Deely - this was originally her idea, I think. John Blackman may be able to advise - he can share his library centennial experience in dealing with local artists.

List any qualifications (skills/expertise) you foresee needing when building your committee. Will you need actors, marketers, musicians, curators, graphic designers, costume designers, builders, or board members to facilitate logistics and operations, or other committee members with other skills? *

Someone with auction experience - silent auction or otherwise.

Would like all bidding to be electronic - a QR code near the installation would take people right to the bidding site, and they would be able to bid on the birdhouse of their choice.

Bidding link would be promoted on social media and website

QR code would be featured on promotional posters

Is there a partnership opportunity? We currently partner with Thomas Edison Film Festival on our short films event, and we're in the process of partnering with Porch Light Studios on our upcoming 1 Enchanted Hallows Eve event. Under "Other," please list the organization/person(s) you're hoping to partner with, and any thoughts on why this is a good idea. *Partnerships preferred. Partnership pitches carry more weight when voting. *

Yes

No

Other:

Perhaps a local art school like Cre8Arts, owned by Max, to help us promote, or a technical person in town who could set up the bidding site for us. Tech experts like: Costa Rodis (Bergen IT LLC), Howard Spaeth (H Grant Support) or Matt Jacobs (MJJacobs)

Thoughts, comments, feedback?

Requires a place to store all the birdhouse artwork after the opening/launch, which would only be a one-day event to get some publicity.

Needs a fulfillment plan - winning bidder pays up and then we deliver to their home. (Good photo opportunity.)

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