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MISSION

To empower emerging and mid-career artists by providing accessible platforms to showcase their work and interact with diverse audiences.

ABOUT US

THE ARTISTS FORUM INC is a New York City based non-profit art services organization. We specialize in events, juried competitions, and media for artists, and offer curation, design, and production management services for multi-media exhibits.

Since 1998, our programs (AFTV, Film Festival, Juried Arts Competitions, Salon, Online Showcases, and Online Magazine) have provided unique opportunities for artists to showcase their work, receive recognition for their achievements, broaden professional contacts, and engage creative communities across disciplines.

















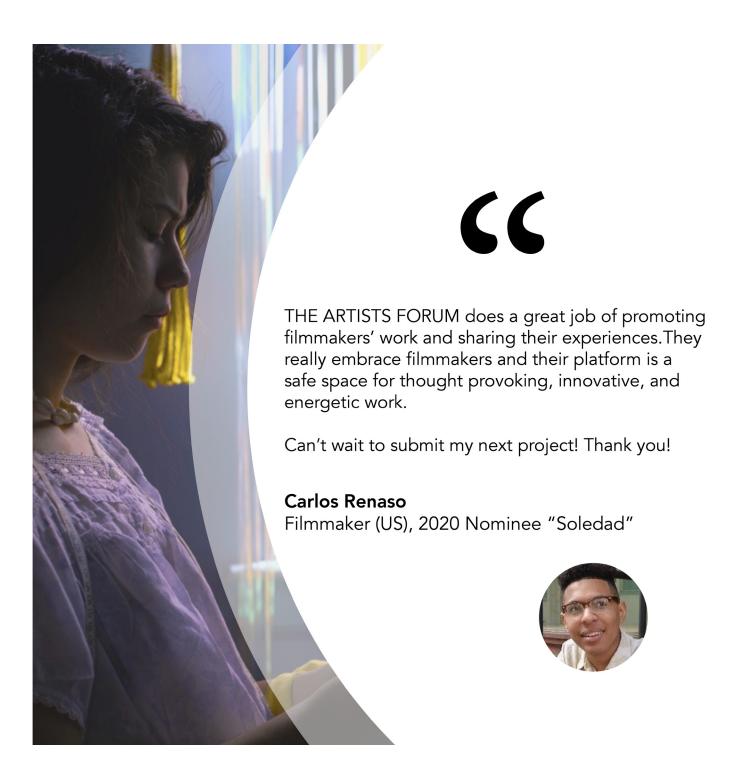


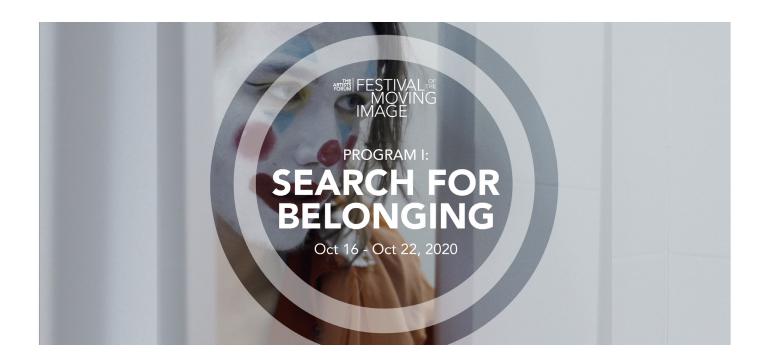
TELEVISION

THE ARTISTS FORUM: AFTV (#theartistsforumtv) is a half-hour televised program featuring interviews and performances with emerging, mid-career, and established artists, arts organizations, and industry professionals.

For more than 20 years, AFTV has produced and televised over 100 interviews, providing more than 250 artists and arts organizations the opportunity to showcase their work on TV in Manhattan via Manhattan Neighborhood Network's (MNN) public access channels. Watch trailer

AFTV airs in High Def on Spectrum TV's channel 1993 with a dedicated audience of over 3,000 people. The program also airs on RCN channel 85 and Fios channel 36 in Standard Definition, with a potential viewing audience of over 500,000 subscribers. Outside of Manhattan, the program can be viewed worldwide at show time on mnn.org -- every other Thursday at 7:30pm EST.





FILM FESTIVAL

THE ARTISTS FORUM FESTIVAL OF THE MOVING IMAGE (#theartistsforum-filmfest) is an international juried competition open to innovative filmmakers seeking to gain exposure in the formidable New York City and international arts & media markets.

Launched in 2016, the festival's mission is to provide an accessible platform for filmmakers to showcase their work to diverse audiences, receive recognition for their efforts, create career advancement opportunities, and provide an intimate, shared experience for all our guests.

In it's first 5 years, the festival reviewed 330 applications from 35 countries and screened 166 emerging filmmakers' work across multiple genres. Our 2019 festival, held at <u>Dolby Screening Room NYC</u>, provided our participants with impeccable viewing experiences and we look forward to returning. Our 2020 virtual event served over 500 professionals from 16 countries, and presented unique cultural stories to a global audience of dedicated artists and arts enthusiasts. We anticipate further growth in 2021, seeking to combine live and online screening options as well as full and short length film submissions.



SALON

A recent re-imagining of our inaugural programming, THE ARTISTS FORUM SALON (#theartistsforumsalon) is a curated art showcase presented in a comfortable, intimate setting. Each salon is organized around a specific artistic discipline and is held in small venues throughout New York City.

These live programs offer interactive panel discussions and networking opportunities, providing an unparalleled connection between creatives and their audiences.



ONLINE SHOWCASES

In response to the pandemic, THE ARTISTS FORUM created new programming to support the artists community with the curation of free online showcases.

Throughout 2020, films, interviews, and panel discussions with artists were showcased on various online platforms for an exclusive period. This programming will continue in 2021 and beyond.

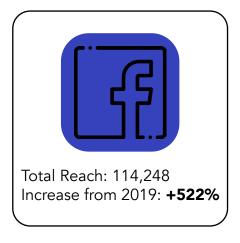
Check for upcoming showcase announcements on <u>our website</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> channels.

2020 SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH

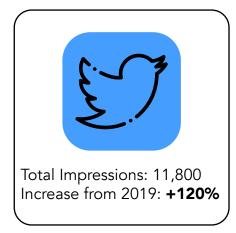
THE ARTISTS FORUM's social media presence is ever-growing with the help of our internet-savvy marketing assistants hailing from New York City universities.

This, coupled with our recent marketing campaigns in partnership with Smart Cinema USA, LinkNYC, NYC & Company Foundation, and our dear friends at The Vilcek Foundation, promises to greatly expand our organizational outreach to new, diverse, and culturally engaged audiences.

SOCIAL MEDIA: September - December 2020



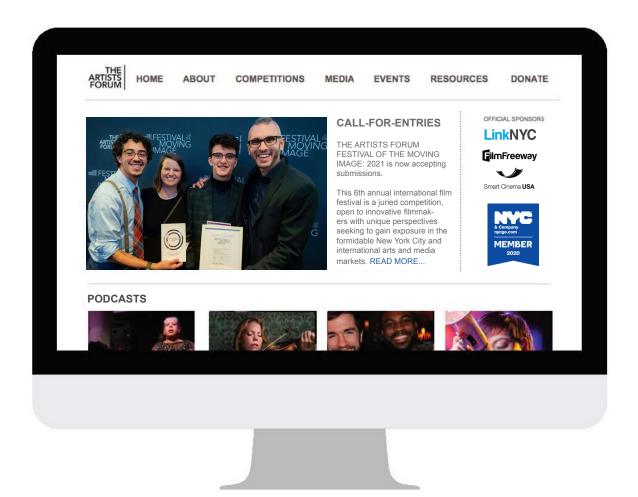




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MAGAZINE

Since 2007, our online publication, THE ARTISTS FORUM MAGAZINE (#theartistsforummagazine), covers local and international artistic events and is written by and for artists and arts enthusiasts. It features scholarly articles, colorful reviews, arts listings, artist opportunities, and program/participant updates. The addition of an ISSN number makes our writers published authors! Ad space is available on select pages. Subscribe at theartistsforum.org.







Now more than ever, it's so important for us to put our energy out there and influence the culture. I'm very grateful to THE ARTISTS FORUM for this opportunity to share what I do.

Rahti Gorfien
Success Coach
AFTV #76: The Art of Business



THE ARTISTS FORUM is a very important place for people to advocate for the arts and to understand the arts in New York City.

Gale A. BrewerManhattan Borough President
AFTV #78: Arts Advocates



COMPETITIONS

In addition to our film festival, THE ARTISTS FORUM will be relaunching several of its Juried Arts Competition programs. Our 2021 competition platforms include music, photography, and spoken word, with a choreography competition forthcoming in 2022.

Entries will be submitted online and reviewed by a panel of industry professionals. Winners will recieve exclusive consultations from prominent industry experts, along with valuable career-related prizes. Check <u>our website</u> and <u>social media</u> for our upcoming Call-For-Entries.









PODCASTS

Our new podcast series begins in early 2021 and will feature audio versions of our televised program, AFTV, as well as exclusive one-on-one artists interviews and special features unavailable elsewhere.

To subscribe, visit theartistsforum.org.



EXHIBIT DESIGN SERVICES

THE ARTISTS FORUM offers curation, design, and production management services for multi-media exhibits. Our latest project was for the City of New York. In early January 2017, THE ARTISTS FORUM was contracted to design and manage production of a new exhibit for New York City's Administration for Children's Services (ACS). Working closely with the exhibit curator, the outcome is the first exhibit of its kind.

The Historical Child Welfare Timeline: A Transformational Experience spotlights the disproportionality and disparity within the child welfare system from the 1800s to present day. Since its opening in April 2017, hundreds of people tour the exhibit each month at its Wall Street area location. The exhibit's run has been extended indefinitely and has traveled to several conferences up and down the East Coast, receiving intense interest and critical praise.

INAUGURAL EVENT United Nations, Nov 18

TESTIMONIALS



"THE ARTISTS FORUM is an incredible advocate of the arts. With their publications and events, THE ARTISTS FORUM is a proven supporter, working hard for individual artists."

- Abiola Abrams

Award-Winner Author, Media Personality (US)
2019 Salon Moderator "Women's Empowerment Event" + AFTV #34 & #52



"THE ARTISTS FORUM folks have worked hard to create a gem of a film festival. The caliber of films was impressive (including at least one that was in competition at Festival de Cannes Shorts)."

- Stephen Hilyard

Filmmaker (UK), University Professor 2017 - 5x Award Winner for "Katyusha"



"THE ARTISTS FORUM FESTIVAL OF THE MOVING IMAGE is beautifully curated and well run. I've screened here the last two years and have been impressed with how the programs are put together and how clear their communication with film-makers is. This is a gem of a festival."

- Shayna Connelly

Filmmaker (US), University Professor 2018 - 5x Award Winner for "Quiver"



"A very professional festival in all aspects, in this year of the pandemic it managed to overcome adversities with mastery. We were able to follow the outstanding selection, and it must be said that it sincerely honored us to be part of this 2020 edition. Thank you."

- Khalil Charif

Filmmaker (Brazil)

2020 - 6x Nominee including Best Experimental Short for "Kopacabana"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meet our team! Leadership at THE ARTISTS FORUM consists of a dedicated and deeply invested group of people representative of the diverse arts community it serves. Based in the Central Harlem district of New York City, service to community is of the utmost importance to us as we pursue organizational excellence within each of our programs. See board bios here

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SUPPORT

JOIN US! Not only is THE ARTISTS FORUM a great platform to meet people or gain exposure, but it's also the perfect medium to give back to your artistic and cultural community. Check out all the exciting ways you can get involved:

PARTNERSHIPS:

The organization welcomes **Partnerships** and **Sponsorships** with local and national businesses interested in working together to benefit arts, culture, and diverse communities. Opportunities include: **Financial Sponsorship**, **In-kind Donations** of professional products and/or services, and **Artistic Collaborations** with companies invested in art and culture. For more details, please visit our <u>website</u>.

PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT:

We seek collaborations with prominent industry professionals interested in nurturing artists. Opportunities include **Jurors & Mentors** for our Juried Arts Competitions and **Special Guests** for our televised and online media programs, podcasts, or live events. Visit our website for more details.

VOLUNTEERS:

THE ARTISTS FORUM is looking for committed individuals to volunteer or intern for our various programs. Interns engage with the New York City arts scene and contribute to advancing local & international artists. Visit our website for full application details.



CONTRIBUTIONS

Become a private or corporate sponsor of **THE ARTISTS FORUM** and help to make the world a better place for artists and art lovers world wide! There are many easy and creative ways to do so:

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DONATIONS:

Please support THE ARTISTS FORUM. Pledge your tax-deductible donation today via <u>PayPal</u>. No amount is too small. Each dollar donated goes directly towards maintaining our mission and improving our programming. You can also support our mission year 'round by selecting us as your <u>Amazon Smile</u> charity! Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchase to us at no cost to you! Happy Shopping!

For questions about Giving or Donations to THE ARTISTS FORUM, please contact our President & Founder, Amos White V.

CONTACT

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