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**APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE FOR 2019 FESTIVALS PRODUCED BY  
THE BALTIMORE OFFICE OF PROMOTION & THE ARTS**

The **Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA)** announces applications are available for **Artscape, Baltimore Book Festival** and **Light City** for 2019. Applications are being accepted in the areas of visual, performing, literary and culinary arts, youth programming, community engagement and neighborhood businesses. Application deadlines vary. Applications are available at [www.promotionandarts.org/2019-festivals-artistic-opportunities-creative-engagements](http://www.promotionandarts.org/2019-festivals-artistic-opportunities-creative-engagements). Artscape (July 19–July 21, 2019), Baltimore Book Festival (November 1–3, 2019) and Light City (November 1–10, 2019) are produced by BOPA.

**2019 BOPA Festival Applications**

Literary Arts

- **Baltimore Book Festival/Light City 2019: Author and Speaker Presentation Application**

Authors, speakers and chefs with inspired cooking demonstrations, as well as cookbook authors can propose presentations to be featured at the Baltimore Book Festival.

- **Baltimore Book Festival/Light City 2019: Exhibitor Application**

Exhibitors such as authors, booksellers, educational institutions and cultural organizations can participate for one full day or three full days at the Baltimore Book Festival.

Visual Arts

- **Artscape 2019: Artists' Market Application**

Visual artists and craftspeople can apply for consideration for the Artists' Market, which highlights artists who create original, professional quality work.

- **Artscape 2019: Artscape Gallery Network Application**

Visual artists and art galleries throughout Baltimore City and County can submit an application for the Artscape Gallery Network, an expansion of the Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize. The Artscape Gallery Network is designed to raise the visibility of and attract more visitors to Baltimore's thriving arts community.

- **Artscape 2019: Fred Lazarus IV Artscape Prize (“The Fred”) Application**  
Baltimore high school student artists can compete in the Fred Lazarus IV Artscape Prize that seeks to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the city.
- **Artscape 2019: Gamescape - Designers and Developers Application**  
Creative developers and designers can promote their video games through demos and panels during Gamescape.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts - A Giant Leap Application**  
Artists, designers and artist/designer collaborators can submit proposals to create large-scale ground-based patterns and redesigned playground games. Patterned artworks will be painted by the selected artists or artist collaborators directly onto the street and pavement surface along Charles Street from Mt. Royal Avenue to Lanvale Street.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts - Animations on the Big Screen Application**  
Artists can submit content for the large outdoor LED screen located at the intersection of Charles and Lanvale streets. The “Animations on the Big Screen” exhibition will feature looped video and time-based media content that explores the range and diversity of traditional and experimental forms of animated short films.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts - Artist Books, Prints, Multiples and Editions Fair Application**  
Artists and artist collaborators who create books, prints, multiples and other editions can apply to participate in a brand new fair in the 1700 block of N. Charles Street, within the festival footprint. Walls will be installed around the perimeter of the covered parking garage to create a pop-up gallery.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts - Landing on Charles Street Application**  
Artists and artist collaborators working in the visual and performing arts can apply to create large, medium or small scale indoor and outdoor installation-based artworks along Charles Street from Mt. Royal Avenue to Lanvale Street.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts – Modules Application**  
Galleries, artist collaborators or maker resource organizations working in the visual and performing arts can submit proposals to repurpose a shipping container into exhibition space or workshop to be installed along Charles Street from Mt. Royal Avenue to Lanvale Street.
- **Artscape 2019: Visual Arts – moonstruck Application**  
Artists can apply for consideration for “moonstruck,” an exhibition to be hosted in an indoor gallery space on or near the footprint of Artscape that will include artworks of all media whose subject matter or form demonstrate an affinity for the moon or any of its characteristics or properties.

#### Performing Arts

- **Performing Arts Application**  
Performing artists can apply to showcase their talents in a variety of disciplines including classical music, dance, fashion, jazz, opera, spoken word and theater.

### Culinary Arts

- **Food Vendor Application**  
Food vendors can submit an application to participate in the 2019 festival season including Artscape, the Baltimore Book Festival and Light City.
- **Baltimore Book Festival/Light City 2019: Chef and Cookbook Authors/Inspired Cooking Demonstrations Application**  
Chefs and cookbook authors can propose presentations to be featured at the Baltimore Book Festival.

### Youth Programming

- **Artscape 2019: Kidscape Application**  
Entertainers and organizations with fun craft ideas, hands-on activities and workshops, demonstrations, and creative dance and music performances can apply to be featured in Artscape's children's area, Kidscape.
- **Artscape 2019: Teenscape Application**  
Teenscape is for Baltimore City youth makers, speakers, bands, musicians and organizations passionate about the arts who wish to participate at Artscape.
- **Artscape's Youth Day on Friday, July 19, 2019 Application**  
Baltimore creatives ages 19 and younger can apply to participate in Kidscape, Teenscape or other performing arts programming during the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Artscape's Youth Day, celebrating the talents of youth artists, performers, makers and creators.
- **Baltimore Book Festival/Light City 2019: Children's Activities, Crafts and Workshop Application**  
Entertainers and organizations with fun craft ideas, hands-on activities and workshops, demonstrations, and creative dance and music performances can apply to participate in the festival's family-friendly fun zone, located along the West Shore promenade, on Bicentennial Plaza and around the Visitor Center, at Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

### Community Engagement

- **Artscape 2019: Nonprofit Arts and Cultural Organizations/Community Partners Application**  
Nonprofit and cultural organizations have an opportunity to participate in Artscape by submitting an application describing how they plan to actively engage festivalgoers, as well as provide them with an exceptional and memorable experience.
- **Baltimore Book Festival/Light City 2019: Exhibitor Application**  
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### Neighborhood Businesses and Organizations

- **Artscape 2019: In the Neighborhood Application**  
Baltimore-based businesses who can offer festivalgoers an exceptional Artscape experience can submit an application to participate in the festival. Experiences with an Artscape "hook" or visual/performing arts related content are required.

- **Light City 2019: Brilliant Baltimore Application**  
Baltimore-based businesses including attractions, restaurants, parking garages, hotels, apartment complexes and corporate headquarters can participate in illuminating their buildings to show their civic pride during Light City.

For more information on BOPA's festival applications, view the **application prospectus**, attached, or at <http://www.promotionandarts.org/2019-festivals-artistic-opportunities-creative-engagements>.

**About Artscape:**

The 38<sup>th</sup> annual Artscape showcases an Artists' Market of 150 fine artists and craftspeople; live concerts on outdoor stages; immersive visual arts experiences; a robust performing arts program including dance, fashion, street theater, jazz, opera and classical music; family-friendly events and entertainment; teen-focused activities and programming; film, experimental music, improv and a comedy club; and culinary arts with a delicious local eats and refreshing beverage program.

**About Baltimore Book Festival:**

Baltimore's premier celebration of the literary arts, the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Baltimore Book Festival features hundreds of author appearances and book signings; more than 100 exhibitors and booksellers; high-energy readings on multiple stages; cooking demos by celebrity chefs; poetry readings and workshops; panel discussions, walking tours, storytellers and hands-on projects for kids; street theater; live music; and a delicious variety of food, beer and wine.

**About Light City:**

In just three years, Light City has become one of the world's most renowned light art festivals, transforming Baltimore with large-scale light art installations, performances and music. Situated along the Baltimore Inner Harbor and Waterfront, the fourth annual Light City features international, national and local artists, innovative culinary experiences and an interactive children's area.

*The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts (BOPA) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization which serves as Baltimore City's arts council, events center and film office. By producing large-scale events such as Artscape, the Baltimore Book Festival and Light City, and providing funding and support to artists, arts programs and organizations across the city, BOPA's goal is to make Baltimore a more vibrant and creative city.*

For more information on the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts, call 410-752-8632 or visit [www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org).

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