Excellence in Teaching Fellowship

The Loft Literary Center and the Madeline Island School for the Arts (MISA) invite nominations for the Excellence in Teaching Fellowship. Fellows receive one week at MISA to work on a writing project of their choice. MISA is one of the nation’s premier art and craft schools and is located on a uniquely restored Wisconsin dairy farm on Lake Superior’s Madeline Island, one of the Apostle Islands. The beauty of the natural environment, with its quaint village atmosphere, provides the perfect setting for writers to work on their craft.

Four Loft teaching artists will be selected for fellowships at MISA on the following dates:

**Summer fellowship**
The summer fellowship will take place over the 4th of July week, 2020. Fellows may arrive as early as Friday, July 3rd and depart as late as Saturday, July 11th.

**Fall fellowship**
The fall fellowship will take place over the labor day week, 2020. Fellows may arrive as early as Saturday, September 5th, and depart as late as Saturday, September 12th.

Fellowships are meant to encourage one's writing practice, the start or completion of a writing project, and can accommodate one adult in a private room. Fellowships are also meant to encourage Loft teaching artist interest in teaching at MISA. Fellowships (space to write in single occupancy lodging, on site meals, and $20-$25 per diem for off site dinner) are not meant to accommodate guests, friends, or family members. Transportation to MISA is the responsibility of each fellow. Nominees may select which date they prefer. If a date needs to be turned down, we will select an alternate for the fellowship; no other date options are provided, and we can not extend the fellowship into another year. Acceptance of the fellowship is the equivalent of acceptance of these terms.

**Eligibility**
Teaching Artists who have taught a multi-week or single session adult, youth, or online class at the Loft during 2018 or 201. If you were a recipient of a MISA fellowship in 2019, you are not eligible for a 2020 fellowship. Loft staff are not eligible.

**Nomination Process**
Students and Teaching Artists may nominate Teaching Artists. Teaching Artists may also nominate themselves. Complete the nomination form and submit it by **5:00 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2020** to:

ATTN: Education Department
Loft Literary Center
1011 Washington Avenue S
Suite 200
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Nominations may also be sent as an MS Word attachment to below @loft.org.

**Selection**
Fellowships will be awarded to Teaching Artists who ranked highest in students evaluations of teaching effectiveness during 2019 and 2020. In case of equivalent rankings, the fellowship will be awarded by random drawing.

**Notification**
Teaching Artists awarded fellowships will be notified no later than the end of the day, Tuesday, May 5, 2020 (This date is approximate, subject to change, your patience is appreciated).
Fellowship Nomination Form

Please complete if you are a nominating someone else.

Name of Nominee: _____________________________________________________________

Why are you nominating this Teaching Artist for the Excellence in Teaching Fellowship?

Please complete if you are nominating yourself.

Name of Nominee: _____________________________________________________________

Please indicate weeks that you are available for the fellowship if awarded:

  ____ July 3 - July 11, 2020        ____September 5 - September 12, 2020

Please describe how you would use your fellowship week at MISA: