

Call for Applications: National Arts and Culture Delegation



One Water Summit 2019, September 18–20, Austin, Texas

ArtPlace America and the US Water Alliance are pleased to offer a new opportunity for arts and culture leaders to participate in the One Water Summit, which will take place from September 18–20 in Austin, Texas.

We have scholarship funds to support 10 arts and culture leaders to attend the One Water Summit as part of a National Arts and Culture Delegation. These Delegates will have an opportunity for high quality learning, peer exchange, spot-lighting their work, and networking at the most diverse water conference in America.

Scholarship applications are due Monday, July 1. The application form can be found [here](#).



Context

In 2018, the US Water Alliance partnered with ArtPlace America to investigate the ways in which arts and cultural strategies are helping to advance sustainable, integrated, and equitable water management. This process resulted in the release of *Advancing One Water Management Through Arts and Culture: A Blueprint for Action*, which included a framework for action, as well as a series of in-depth case studies of effective work happening nationwide. The work was guided by a cross sector Advisory group of working artists, cultural organizations, and water sector leaders.

The US Water Alliance released the Blueprint at One Water Summit 2018, which brought together over 900 participants, representing 228 cities, and 37 states. A hallmark of the Summit are One Water Delegations, organized by geography or communities of interest. Coinciding with the release of the Blueprint, was a cross-sector delegation of over 30 arts and culture leaders.

The 2019 National Arts and Culture Delegation will build on the momentum and enthusiasm of the 2018 Summit. The US Water Alliance also hopes to receive feedback and guidance from the Delegation as it launches its next phase of work—an *Arts, Culture, and Water Learning Network*.

What's Covered

For those receiving a scholarship, we are able to provide:

- **Complimentary registration;**
- **Up to 3 nights of hotel accommodations;** and
- **Airfare** (we can only cover an economy fare, at a reasonable rate, booked through our travel agent)

The summit registration fees include 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, and 2 receptions. *Please note that we are not able to offer reimbursement for incidental expenses.*

About the One Water Summit and Delegations

Convened by the Alliance, One Water Summit 2019 is the nation's premier gathering of utilities, businesses, policymakers, environmental groups, community leaders, foundations, researchers, and more. Through inspiring plenary sessions, interactive panels, and site visits, participants will engage with sustainable and inclusive approaches to water resource management. **To view the agenda:** www.onewatersummit.org

To enhance the Summit experience, the US Water Alliance encourages attendees to come as part of a delegation. A delegation is a group of people who are connected by geography, issue area, or organizational affiliation, who attend One Water Summit together. Delegations are the heart of the Summit and last year we hosted 51 One Water delegations in Minneapolis, MN.

As a One Water Delegate, you will have the opportunity to join peer-to-peer exchange sessions before, during, and after the summit to collaborate and dive deeper into the critical challenges and opportunities in integrated, sustainable, and equitable water management. To learn more, you can refer to the [One Water Delegations](#) webpage.

Eligibility and Application

In order to be eligible for travel scholarship funds, you must be an arts and culture leader who is either working in the water sustainability, environmental, or equity arenas, or have an interest in doing so in the future. As we select scholarship recipients, we endeavor to select 10 arts and culture leaders who represent a diversity in terms perspectives, disciplines, geographies, race, and gender.

Complete the brief application here.

Forms must be completed by 6pm eastern on Monday, July 1st. Scholarship recipients will be notified by Monday, July 8th.

Help Us Build the National Arts and Culture Delegation!

The US Water Alliance welcomes additional funders to augment the current scholarship fund so that more arts and culture leaders can be supported to attend the One Water Summit.

Additionally, if you are an arts and culture leader who has the resources to attend the One Water Summit on your own, please contact us! We are happy to offer you a discounted Delegate registration and plug you into the National Arts and Culture Delegation.

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