MRG Foundation

Lilla Jewel Awards for Womxn Artists
Spring 2020

A few reminders

- → We are recording!
 - Recording and transcript will go on website soon
- → Slides available via link in Chat box
- → Questions?
 - Use your Chat button
 - Send questions to <u>Violeta@mrgf.org</u>

Intro

Hello!



Violeta Rubiani, Grants Program Director

Pronouns: She/Her/Hers

Mission

MRG Foundation's mission is to inspire people to work together for justice and mobilize resources for Oregon communities as they build collective power to change the world.

MRG Foundation

- → Born in 1976 in Eugene
- → Three ideals:
 - Shift not just wealth, but also power to make decisions
 - Decision-making should be in the hands of those most impacted
 - Change, not charity
- → Funding comes from endowment and fundraising

Lilla Jewel Fund for Womxn Artists

- → Created in 1997
- → Lilla Jewel: Artist, mother, and radical suffragist
- → Goal? To amplify the work of womxn artists in Oregon who advance a social change message through their work.
- → Have funded poets, choreographers, singers, painters, photographers, and more

Grantmakers

- Ana-Maurine Lara, Novelist, Poet
- Dawn Jones Redstone, Filmmaker
- Marilyn Keller, Singer, Performer
- Natalie Ball, Sculptor, Printmaker
- Tazha Williams, Multi-Disciplinary Artist
- Yulia Arakelyan, Performance Artist



What we fund

Eligibility

- → Be an artist
- → Be at least 18 years old
- → Live in Oregon
- → Identify as womxn or femmes
- → Be willing to serve in the Lilla Jewel Award Committee

Priority

The artist's overall work must address, amplify, elevate, or support social, racial, economic, disability, gender and/or environmental justice issues or movements.

Process + app

Things to know...

- → Two \$10,000 awards available
- → More than 50 applications expected
- → This is an award, not a grant

Timeline

- → April 17 Applications Due
- → May 15 Decisions
- → May 20 Notification
- → June 24 Award Ceremony: Justice Within Reach

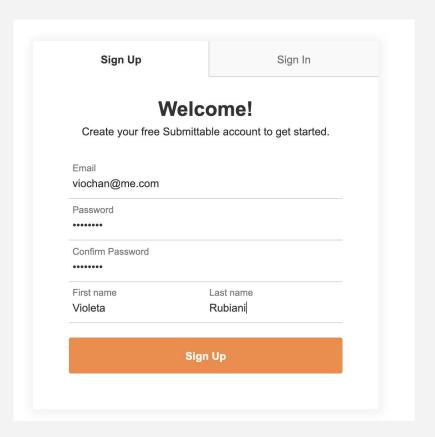
Process

Online grant portal—

mrgfoundation.submittable.com/submit

Web-based applications only

Submittable



Application

- → Contact information
- → Identities
- → How work aligns with Lilla Jewel
- → Samples, up to three

Application Dos & Don'ts

- **→** DO:
 - Read materials and instructions carefully
 - Think about your audience
- → DON'T:
 - Send us a full-length feature film. Please.
 - Create new work—you only have a month
 - Wait until the last minute

Questions?

Specific questions?

Send email to violeta@mrgf.org

THANK YOU