

CREATIVES REBUILD NEW YORK



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# CRNY Announces Artist Employment Program Recipients!

New York, NY—Creatives Rebuild New York (CRNY) today named its Artist Employment Program (AEP) recipients, 98 collaborations involving a dynamic group of 300 artists employed by community-based organizations, municipalities, and tribal governments across New York State. A total of \$49.9M in funding will support artists' salaries and benefits, with an additional \$11.7M in funding provided to the organizations holding employment. Participating artists will receive an annual salary of \$65,000 with benefits and dedicated time to focus on their artistic practice.

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ON THE BLOG

## & Learning

On the CRNY blog, our AEP team reflects on the selection process, what we've learned so far, and how the impact of Artist Employment Program collaborations might pave the way for future advocacy and community change.

"The application and review process was energizing and inspiring. We were encouraged by the rich and diverse ways artists and community-based organizations are already working together to address issues in their communities, and excited to imagine how this work could be scaled for greater impact with funding and support."

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## Guaranteed Income for Artists—Program Update

Our GI team is deep in the process of enrolling 2,400 people to receive CRNY's Guaranteed Income for Artists. Because the verification and onboarding process takes several months, we will not have a complete pool until October. At that point we will share aggregate data about the group as a whole—from artistic disciplines to demographics to geographic regions—and its alignment with CRNY's values and target priorities. It's an exciting time in the GI process, and we look forward to sharing more soon!

[READ MORE ABOUT THE GI SELECTION PROCESS](#)

### PRESS

## Financial Times: "A universal basic income for artists? US cities are trying it"

Hakim Bishara—May 13

"In February, the \$125mn programme Creatives Rebuild New York (CRNY) became the country's largest guaranteed income programme for artists when it opened for applications. This was on the heels of New York's \$25mn New Deal-inspired employment programme for artists, City Artist Corps, versions of which have been recently announced in Seattle and other cities across the US. Starting this summer, CRNY will give \$1,000 monthly payments to 2,400 local artists over the next 18 months. The programme will also fund the salaries of an

of \$65,000, a rate commensurate with New York state median household income, in addition to benefits and dedicated time to focus on their practice. The massive programme is supported by \$115mn from the Mellon Foundation, \$5mn from the Stavros Niarchos Foundation and \$5mn from the Ford Foundation."

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### \$125M TOWARD ARTISTS' FUTURES

Creatives Rebuild New York (CRNY) is a three-year, \$125 million initiative that provides guaranteed income and employment opportunities to artists across New York State. CRNY believes that artists are workers who deserve equitable, sustainable support structures, and that improving the lives of artists is paramount to the vitality of New York State's collective social and economic wellbeing. Fiscally sponsored by Tides Center, CRNY represents a \$125 million funding commitment, anchored by \$115 million from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation and \$5 million each from the Ford Foundation and Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF). Learn more at [creativesrebuildny.org](https://creativesrebuildny.org).

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