**Calling all artists!**

The Chatham County Partnership for Children is seeking NC artists to engage children in hands-on arts activities and/or perform for children and their families at our annual children’s festival Day of the Books / El día de los libros on April 30, 2022 at Bray Park in Siler City from 10am-1pm.

We continue to monitor community spread and risks related to COVID-19, and will determine in March whether or not this event can be safely held as an in-person event or whether it will be a drive-thru. We will notify you at least one month prior of the finalized plans. Because at this time the format of our event is still to be determined, if you are proposing to provide a hands-on activity for children and families, we ask that you provide a short explanation of how this will be adapted for a drive-thru format in the event we are unable to host an in-person festival.

*Funding for artist payment is available thanks to a grant from Chatham Arts Council and the NC Arts Council.*

Examples of artist services we are seeking:

* Drumming workshops with children
* Community visual arts projects in which children and families make contributions to a common project as they pass by
* Drama/mime activities
* Music or dance workshops
* Sculpting or other 3-dimensional art activities
* Dance, music or theater performances by children
* Dance, music or theater performances by adults that are engaging for children
* Stilt walking performances
* Hula-Hoop performances or activities
* Other art activities and performances

Protecting artists and our community from the spread of COVID-19 is a top priority for us. Our organization has COVID-19 event safety protocols that will be strictly followed and enforced if community transmission rates of COVID-19 remain substantial or high in April 2022. Masking and/or social distancing will be required, regardless of the format of the event.

Because of necessary COVID-19 safety precautions, performances will be in open air without a formal seated audience; 6 feet distancing will be enforced for artists who are not performing as a part of the same group.

If the event is able to be in-person, brief teaching or workshop opportunities with individual children or small groups of family units/households may be possible. We will work to create a set-up that promotes social distancing and discourages separate households from intermingling.

Please submit your proposal by **March 15, 2022.** If you have any questions, please call Maricela at 919-704-4015 or email maricela@chathamkids.org.

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**Day of the Books Artist Proposal**

* Name of Artist or Group \*
* Contact Person Name \*
* Cell Phone Number \* For contact on or near event day
* Type of Presentation \*

PerformanceWorkshopBoth

* Describe your performance or workshop (if you have difference versions of the performance or activity for in-person versus drive-thru formats, please describe both). \*
* Is this activity suitable to both in-person and drive-thru formats? Please describe how you will adapt this activity for a drive-thru format if necessary.
* What is your fee for a two-hour performance or activity? *(Please note: set-up and clean-up will happen outside of the two-hour time frame. Performances and activities should be planned to last the full two hours of the event)* \*
* What is the estimated length of time of the performance or activity you propose? *(The event will last from 10am-12pm. If your performance or activity is shorter than that time frame, you will be asked to repeat the performance or activity instruction/facilitation throughout the duration of that time period, with time for breaks as needed.)*
* Describe your experience in performing for children or engaging children in arts activities. \*
* I need the following provided for my performance or workshop:

TableChairsSound systemElectric outletTent (sun shade)

* Is there anything else you would like us to know? 
* I understand that, if my proposal is selected, I must submit an invoice and an IRS W-9 form to maricela@chathamkids.org no later than April 30th, 2022 in order to receive payment at time of services. \*

I understand

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