



The Kaj Seifert Foundation for Aspiring Young Artists is generously offering one grant to a student to attend the Rude Mechanicals summer camp!

The Kaj Seifert Foundation was established to encourage youth ages 10-17 to get their first experience in one of the arts - dance, music, video or audio production, performing arts or visual arts. Named in honor of Kaj Seifert, a Bozeman musician, this foundation understands that it can be difficult to experience arts without a little help. Maybe an applicant needs equipment, maybe it is lessons or a summer camp---many things are possible with a little support from the Kaj Seifert Foundation for Aspiring Young Artists.

What do you need to know before applying?

- You must be at least 10 years old, but no older than 17 to qualify.
- You must be exploring an arts in which you have not had much experience.
- You must submit an application video AND a proof-of-performance video six months later.
- You must have a mentor who will help you for the entire first six months--this can be a teacher, of course, or just someone older who will agree to oversee your learning AND you must ask them for their help before applying.
- You must have two adults (parent or other family member over age 21, friend of the family over age 21, teacher, neighbor) vouch for your participation.
- You must live in Montana, Idaho or Wyoming.

How to apply: video application (short...not more than 5 minutes)...don't worry, this does not have to be professional quality. You can video yourself on a phone and submit it.

1. Introduce yourself - name, address, town and zip code, phone number.
2. Please tell us what art you want to experience and why. (Please let us know why you want to experience something new and let us get a picture of the kind of person you are. Let us know how you have tried to do this on your own so far. And you might tell us if there is someone you admire who already does this.)
3. Tell us what you need to get started (do you need an instrument, dance shoes, art supplies, camp tuition, video editing software, lessons, etc.--what do you need that you do not have already?) Be sure to let us know who will be providing the equipment, lessons, camps, etc. that will help you get your start.
4. Tell us who your mentor is - name, phone number, address, town and zip code. Also tell us why you chose this person as a mentor. Remember: you must ask them if they are willing to be your mentor for a period of six months and we will be calling them to get their agreement.
5. Give us the names of two adults who can vouch for you trying something new - a parent or other family member, a teacher, a neighbor, a minister or camp counselor, a YMCA camp counselor, etc. We need their names and phone numbers so we can contact them.
6. All payments will go to the supplier - a music store, an online retailer, camp registration, music teacher, etc. No payments will go to the applicant directly.

Email your video submission to: education@shakespeareintheparks.org

DEADLINE: JULY 16th, 2021