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En Foco Announces the 2024 Media Arts Work in Progress Fund



(Bronx, NY - November 11, 2023) – En Foco is pleased to announce the fourth annual Media Arts Works in Progress (WIP) Fund, designed to support early career artists of color, who are from the five boroughs and engage with digital media technologies within their art-making processes.

The award will focus on works that already exist and need support toward the completion of the proposed project. Funding consideration will be given to projects that demonstrate the highest quality of work and potential as determined by a panel of artists and media professionals. All innovative interpretations of digital media will be considered, requiring a critical digital aspect in both the process and product. Proposed projects where the final products are photographic in nature are ineligible for funding. **DEADLINE:** January 27, 2024, 11:59 PM

The Media Arts Fund will award five early career artists who reside in New York City with a \$2,000 grant, to be used at the artist's discretion towards the completion of the submitted project. Funded proposals will be exhibited online on the En Foco website, and be featured in the Special Fellowship issue of *Nueva Luz*.

The En Foco Media Arts Work Fund: Works In Progress (WIP) is an outgrowth of the En Foco Photography Fellowship with a growing awareness of the language of photography is expanding, and the artist is engaged in a more inclusive "media image-making" The WIP Fund is also En Foco's response to provide underwriting for more opportunities for early career media artists of color, who would like to have their work supported, and exhibited.

Only Works In Progress submissions will be considered for the award. Completed projects are ineligible. Entries that are traditional photography will not be considered. Projects with other mediums and media that include photo-based processes will be considered. For this opportunity, early-career artists are defined by a two-nine-year working history. For more information on eligibility and guidelines, please visit, www.enfoco.org

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: How to Apply Session: December 14, 2023 | 6-8 PM Via Zoom. Registration is to be announced at a later date. For questions about the guidelines and application process, please contact <u>grants@enfoco.org</u>. **Doctor's Hours:** Thursdays from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM by appointment only. To schedule an appointment, please contact us at: grants@enfoco.org.

About En Foco: En Foco, Inc. supports contemporary fine art and documentary photographers of color and diverse cultures, using photography as a platform to speak on behalf of issues related to cultural equity and access. En Foco provides its photographers, curators, critics & cultural activists with a forum to advocate on behalf of an inclusive cultural policy that historically has been lacking in substance.

En Foco supports its constituent artists with direct and indirect funding opportunities, professional development services, curated exhibitions, publications and networking events with industry and cultural leaders. Learn more at <u>www.enfoco.org</u> and follow us on <u>facebook.com/enfoco</u>, <u>twitter.com/enfoco</u> and <u>instagram.com/enfocoinc_</u>.

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