

## **ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia Project Letter of Interest**

### **This letter should include:**

- the full name and school contact address for the project
- a brief outline of the purpose of the project
- the project timeframe
- the artist(s) who will be involved in the project
- an approximate budget

**Please submit an electronic version of your Project Letter of Interest to [websterk@gov.ns.ca](mailto:websterk@gov.ns.ca).** (Office hours are Tuesday - Thursday)

This letter should not exceed two pages. Within a month after the deadline, Letters of Interest will be reviewed and schools will be notified. Schools approved for ArtsSmarts funding must agree to document their project in progress (photos, videos, narratives from teachers, students, etc.) Schools that do not provide project progress information will not be eligible for future ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia funding.

Schools that receive *ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia* funding are required to contribute 30% of their total project budget. For example, if the total project budget is \$2500, the school would contribute \$750 and *ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia* would contribute \$1750. The maximum amount of *ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia* funding for one project is \$3000.

### **Working with ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia Artists**

- Artists listed with the project must be approved ArtsSmarts Nova Scotia artists.
- Artist applications are on-line and must be submitted one month prior to the Project Letter deadline to be considered for the project.
- The school must notify the artist they have chosen and an initial meeting should be scheduled with the artist to review the Project Letter of Interest prior to its submission.

### **Approved Project ideas will ~**

- Be interdisciplinary and forge connections between disparate subject areas.
- Bring artist(s) students and teachers together to collaborate and work "side-by-side" on projects.
- Allow for sufficient time to develop meaningful relationships between artist(s) students and teachers.
- Explore new and authentic ways of looking at the connections between the arts and school curriculum.

**ArtsSmarts does not fund** projects that are extra-curricular in nature. ArtsSmarts is intended to be an integral part of your classroom practice. It is critical to the success of the ArtsSmarts model that the projects you are implementing and investigating in your classroom complement and support the outcomes of the Nova Scotia curriculum. Please refer to the provincial curriculum resources for guidance.