

## LEAP (Launching Emerging Artists Practicum) Application Form

LEAP is an in-depth year-long series of workshops, critiques, studio visits and networking events designed to give artists the tools they need to tackle common obstacles and achieve success in the art marketplace. Monthly workshops, peer-to-peer mentoring and critiques, a regular studio practice and numerous networking events with local and regional industry experts are the backbone of a curriculum rivaling many acclaimed MFA programs. In November, the LEAP cohort will share a special show in the Gallery at WREN.

Many of the benefits to be gained from participating in LEAP come not only from the accumulation of knowledge throughout the year, and from dedicating regular time to your studio practice, but from spending time together in a group, witnessing each other's progress, challenges, strategies and breakthroughs. The power of the program is in commitment. Committing to your practice. Committing to attending workshops. Committing to showing up fully to critiques. Once accepted into the program, artists agree to commit to all sessions, and understand that missing more than 2 will result in forfeiting one's place in the November exhibit. Think carefully before you apply, and make sure you are able to commit!

**The 2018 cohort will consist of 6-10 participants, who will commit to the year long program and share a show in November at The Gallery at WREN.**

**LEAP includes 12 workshops, 6 studio visits/critiques, ongoing instructor and peer to peer support, and a shared month-long exhibit.**

**Cost for 2018 LEAP Training :: \$1500**

**Partial/Full Scholarships are available for artists who income qualify.**

### **Applications are due on November 30th.**

Please e-mail completed applications in a Word document, with photos as attachments of JPEG images, to Gallery Manager Katherine Ferrier at [katherinef@wrenworks.org](mailto:katherinef@wrenworks.org)

1. Tell us about yourself, your artwork, and why you want to be part of LEAP. (1 -3 paragraphs)
2. How will participating in LEAP benefit you, your work, and your ability to access a wider market for your art?
3. Is there anything standing in the way of your ability to commit to this program, and attend all of the sessions?
4. What are your top three challenges business or marketing challenges as an artist?
5. Include 5 high resolution JPEG images of your artwork.  
Title each picture as: **Last Name, Title of Work**
6. If you are applying for scholarship assistance, please complete the **FREE BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT APPLICATION**