Becoming an Artist in Residence

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Understanding and articulating your desire to be an artist in residence
Establishing yourself in the field

- Be an active member of the Society for the Arts in Healthcare
- Join a special interest group
- Participate in the Listserve and Facebook site
- Attend annual conference, symposia, and regional meetings
- Be active in local and regional networking - find your community
- Keep making your art
Identifying potential sites in your area

Can you connect with an existing program or do you have to start a new one?
Interfacing with an existing program

- Make a connection
- Find out who the players are
- Present yourself (intentions, skills, experience, vision)
Starting a new program

- Do some field research
- Find a training program or a consultant
- Identify key stakeholders
- Find a partner
- Make a plan/develop your approach
Transitioning from volunteering to getting paid
Developing your ability to work in the healthcare environment

- Explore your personal experience related to art and healing
- Find a training program or mentor
- Develop self-care skills
Some Resources

- Society for the Arts in Healthcare – website, online toolkit, directory, research database, SAHCS consulting service, listserv, etc.

- The Creative Center Artist in Residence Handbook

- State Arts Councils and the NEA

- Blogs (such as Henry Domke’s)

- Creative Center training program and website: www.thecreativecenter.org

- UF Center for the Arts in Healthcare summer intensives and website: www.arts.ufl.edu/cahre
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