

# Dia:

## Dia Teens

Apply now for 2021–22



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*“You don’t have to be or consider yourself an artist to join the program... what really matters is your desire to learn, to experiment, and open-mindedness towards new ideas, experiences, and people.”*

– Sara, Dia Teens 2021

Dia Teens will take place in person at Dia Beacon with health and safety protocols informed by national and state guidelines for all students, staff, and visitors. See the application for more details.

To learn more about the program, visit [www.diaart.org/teens](http://www.diaart.org/teens) or @diateens on Instagram.

**Applications due Saturday, October 16, 2021**

Dia Beacon, Riggio Galleries  
3 Beekman Street Beacon New York 12508  
[www.diaart.org](http://www.diaart.org)

# Dia Teens: Program Overview

Dia Teens offers young people the space, freedom, and support to make their ambitious, experimental ideas real and actionable.

Dia Teens is a year-round program and is free for all participants. In-program transportation, lunches, snacks, and materials are provided for all sessions. Financial assistance for public transportation to and from Dia Beacon is available. Youth participants in good standing are eligible to receive stipends at the completion of each semester during the academic school year (fall, spring) and summer.

Dia Teens will take place in person at Dia Beacon.

## What happens?

COLLABORATE with peers and artists to realize original and self-directed projects

LEARN, PRACTICE, and DEVELOP skills related to critical thinking, self-expression, and art-making

BUILD COMMUNITY and ENGAGE with other teens, artists, and organizations in the Hudson Valley and beyond

IDENTIFY, QUESTION, and CHALLENGE ideas related to contemporary art

## Who participates?



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### TEENS

15 high school students from across the Hudson Valley with diverse interests and perspectives; some make art, some channel their creativity in other ways

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### ARTIST COLLABORATOR

Every year a new artist-in-residence partners with teens to create original projects over the course of the program

VISITING ARTISTS facilitate workshops, participate in discussions, host teens in their studio and gallery spaces, lead critiques, and invite teens to participate in their own projects.

Past guest artists include artists [American Artist](#), [Ja'Tovia Gary](#), [Stephen Kwok](#), [Mary Mattingly](#), [Be Oakley](#), [Brontez Purnell](#), [Sal Randolph](#), [Elliot Reed](#), [Aya Rodriguez-Izumi](#), [Joëlle Tuerlinckx](#), as well as teens from [Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit](#), [New Museum](#), [Park Avenue Armory](#), [Studio Museum in Harlem](#), and [Whitney Museum of American Art](#).

## Where does it take place?

For school year 2021-22, Dia Teens will take place in-person, in the Learning Lab, galleries, and on the grounds of Dia Beacon. There will also be off-site field trips with extended hours.

Past field trips include: [Dia sites in New York City](#), [8-Ball Zine Library](#), [Brooklyn Museum](#), [Bruce High Quality Foundation](#), [Chinatown Soup](#), [Gagosian Gallery](#), [MoMA PS1](#), [Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture](#), [Socrates Sculpture Park](#), [Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum](#), [Studio Museum in Harlem](#), [Swale Floating Food Forest](#), and [Whitney Museum of American Art](#).

## When does it happen?

Dia Teens is a year-round program. **Accepted students commit to participating for a full program year, including school year 2021-22 and summer 2022.**

Youth participants in good standing are eligible to receive stipends at the completion of each semester during the academic school year (fall, spring) and summer. Please look closely at the schedule below to make sure that you are able to commit to both before applying.

### SCHOOL YEAR

- November 6, 2021 – June 4, 2022
- First and third Saturdays, 11 am–3 pm
- Field trips have extended hours

### SUMMER INTENSIVE

- July 11 – August 11, 2022
- Mondays – Thursdays, 11 am–3 pm
- Field trips have extended hours

## COVID-19 Health and Safety Information

To ensure the health and safety of Dia Teens students, families, and staff, as well as all visitors to Dia Beacon, there are a number of protocols and procedures in place.

- To provide a safe program space free of recognized hazards and to take every possible step to reduce the transmission of COVID among all staff and Dia Teens participants, **applicants must be able to show proof of vaccination at the group interview.**
- All program participants and staff at Dia Beacon are required to wear masks and follow social distancing guidelines.
- Personal protective equipment, including masks and hand sanitizer, will be provided as needed.

Program sessions may include time in the Learning Lab, which has multiple vents for air circulation; the Dia Beacon galleries; outdoors on Dia Beacon's grounds; and nearby, walkable locations off-site.

Program participants can expect to come in regular contact with Dia staff, other Dia teens from both the Beacon and New York City cohorts, guest artists, and non-Dia participants during field trips and in-gallery experiences.

Please note: Dia's policies may be updated at any point in alignment with national and state guidelines, and staff will keep all students and families up to date on these changes.

# Dia Teens: Application Details

## Eligibility Requirements

- Accepted participants must be able to show proof of vaccination.
- Applicants must have completed at least one full year of high school and be currently enrolled.
- New applicants must commit to participating for at least one full program year (school year 2021–22 and summer 2022).
- Participants must attend every session unless prior arrangements are made. Please review the schedule closely to make sure that you are available for all of the sessions.
- The application process is competitive, and limited spots are available. Please complete your application thoughtfully, and be yourself!
- Preference given to Hudson Valley residents.

Please note: Consent of parent or guardian is required for all program participants under 18 years of age.

## Apply Now

Application due: Saturday, October 16, 2021

Online applications are encouraged. View and complete the online application here: <https://bit.ly/diateens21-22>. You may also return your completed application by email or mail.

Email            [beaconprogram@diaart.org](mailto:beaconprogram@diaart.org)  
Subject: Dia Teens program

Mail             Valerie Chang  
Dia Beacon  
3 Beekman Street  
Beacon, NY 12508

All applicants are invited to an in-person group interview with current Dia teens and staff at Dia Beacon (3 Beekman Street, Beacon, NY 12508) on Saturday, October 23, 1:30–3 pm. Further details will be provided upon submission of application.

If you have questions, please email Valerie Chang, Learning and Engagement Coordinator, at [beaconprogram@diaart.org](mailto:beaconprogram@diaart.org).

# Dia Teens: 2021-22 Application

To be filled out by applicant. Please print clearly in dark ink or type your responses below.

**I have carefully read and considered all the information above.**

**Yes**

## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pronouns: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (street, city, zip code): \_\_\_\_\_

Personal email: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/guardian email: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/guardian phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Best way to reach you:  text  email  phone call  parent/guardian phone call  parent/guardian email

I am in my  sophomore  junior  senior \_\_\_\_\_ year of high school right now.

Applicants must be currently enrolled in high school, have completed at least one full year of high school, and be able to commit to participating for one full program year (school year and summer).

How did you hear about Dia Teens? Website, teacher (please include name and what they teach), current or former Dia Teens participant (please include name), etc.

## Program Schedule

I am available to attend all Dia Teens sessions during the 2021-22 school year:

November 6, 2021– June 4, 2022, first and third Saturdays, 11 am–3 pm at Dia Beacon. Field trips have extended hours.

- yes
- no
- I don't know

If you selected 'no', what are the dates you will have to miss?

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I am available to participate in all sessions of the 2022 Dia Teens summer intensive:

July 11 – August 11, Mondays – Thursdays, 11 am–3 pm at Dia Beacon. Field trips have extended hours.

- yes
- no
- I don't know

If you selected 'no', what are the dates you will have to miss?

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I am available for an in person group interview with current Dia Teens and staff at Dia Beacon on Saturday, October 23, 2021, 1:30–3 pm:

- yes
- no

If you selected 'no', when are you available for a Zoom interview?

List at least 3 dates and times you are available 10/25–10/29.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

## Express Yourself!

Share your thoughts below. There are no right or wrong answers!

Why are you interested in Dia Teens?

What is something that you are really excited about or interested in that makes you, you? Why do you find this thing interesting?

What is something you used to think but have since changed your mind about? Why did your perspective shift?

Describe a time when you worked on a creative project with other people outside of school. How would you describe the role you most enjoy when collaborating with others?

Will you participate in other activities during the school year and/or summer (clubs, sports, jobs, volunteering) that conflict with the program schedule? Are there things you would like to do in your free time that are not currently available to you?

Have you ever been to Dia Beacon? (If not, that's okay! Just write "I haven't been to Dia yet.") If you have, what was your experience like? If you could ask an artist or artwork at Dia a question, what would it be?

What question(s) would you like to ask current Dia Teens?

Imagine you can get into a time machine and travel to the future. What three things would you bring with you, and why?

Show us what your dream studio space looks like when there are no limits. Use this page in whatever way you'd like – draw, design, detail, decorate, document, decoupage, etc.!

**Thank you!**