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## Visiting Teaching Artists Program VITA

### Description

The St. John School of the Arts Visiting Teaching Artists Program (VITA) aims to bring the knowledge and experiences of art professionals from different parts of the world to the community of St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands.

### Program Objectives

- Broaden and diversify the range of arts available to the community of St. John.
- Create opportunities for visiting artists to experience Virgin Islands culture as they practice their art.
- Make teaching a more visible career choice for emerging artists on St. John
- Build networks for teaching artists as they support local communities.

### Outcome

Visiting artists will be asked to offer a minimum of three activities such as in-school or after-school classes, workshops, audio-visual presentations, exhibitions, and/or open studios. In-school program sessions should be designed to positively impact student learning through arts-integrated instruction. Teaching Artists will collaborate with SJSA staff to present a culminating activity that's open to the public and includes student participation. These activities may be held at the school or at another site with a community partner.

### Accommodation Information

Teaching Artists will reside on the island of St. John. Housing costs may be partially or fully funded by SJSA. Program activities may include informal events and shared meals to encourage the dialogue among the artists, students, and the community.

### Compensation Information

Teaching Artists will be compensated based on the number of classes/ workshops/ or activities offered; rates will be negotiated on an individual basis. (Teaching artists may also choose to contribute their time as a tax deductible in-kind donation.)

### Location

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### Application Process

- Submit an application
- Interview ( two interviews)
- Selected Applicants are notified
- Participation agreements signed
- Detailed Program Outline submitted for approval
- Program outline approved and program start date scheduled
- Housing / Travel arranged