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**For immediate release****Arts and Culture Leadership Incubator Program is Now Accepting Participant and Faculty Applications**Photos supplied by  
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Caption:  
*2019/20 Participating  
Artist Emily Miller at  
Work on Her Project,  
"Ghost Net Landscape."*

**(Beaverton, OR)** – Tualatin Valley Creates (TVC) is excited to launch the second year of its Arts and Culture Leadership Incubator program <<https://tvcreates.org/incubator-about/>>. Artists and cultural advocates in Washington County, OR are encouraged to apply now to participate. TVC is also seeking applications for Faculty Members to lead and mentor the 2020/21 cohort participants.

TVC's unique Leadership Incubator program bridges a critical opportunity gap in Washington County, where residents have less access to arts and culture services and experiences compared to other urban areas around the state. TVC created the Arts and Culture Leadership Incubator program to challenge, empower and inspire emerging and diverse arts and culture leaders.

TVC seeks Creative Industry professionals who are interested in fostering a diverse, inclusive, and resilient arts and culture ecosystem in Washington County to apply for Faculty Member positions. Those interested should read the full scope of work outlined on the TVC website <<https://tvcreates.org/incubator-applications/>> and submit their proposals **by August 28, 2020.**

Artists and cultural advocates who are interested in participating should reside in Washington County, OR and have a passion for building creative projects that incorporate community activism. Up to ten applicants from traditionally underrepresented populations\* will be selected to participate. The Leadership Incubator is free to participants, and those who complete the program have an opportunity to earn a \$500 stipend to help advance their work. Those interested should apply **by September 30, 2020** on the TVC website <<https://tvcreates.org/incubator-applications/>>.

Small, intensive skill-building workshops, led by Faculty Members and guest speakers, cover topics ranging from the business aspects of being an artist to challenging methodologies around what it takes to be a community leader. Participants create lasting connections during the program through peer networking, learning, and a focused collaboration on community

activism. The program will culminate in a Digital Showcase <<https://tvcreates.org/showcase-2020/>> in Spring 2021 for the community, highlighting the participant's projects, collaborations and learnings.

This program is made possible through the support of community partners, including The Collins Foundation, The Oregon Community Foundation, Oregon Cultural Trust, and Washington County, Oregon.

\*Traditionally under-served populations in Washington County include people under 40, people of color, LGBTQ+, people experiencing income disparity, and people with disabilities, among others.

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### **About Tualatin Valley Creates**

Tualatin Valley Creates is the leading arts service organization for Washington County, Oregon. TVC drives the development of inclusive, resilient, creative communities using arts, culture, heritage, and humanities by increasing visibility for community engagement opportunities and by bridging resources needed to support people working in the local creative industries. Visit [www.tvcreates.org](http://www.tvcreates.org)