



2026 Art Innovation Lab Program Guidelines

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Minimum Program Requirements:

Age Requirement: 12-19

Youth must exhibit a desire to learn about history and art.

Project Deliverable: Create their Allegory of the world they want to see.

Allegory Meaning: A story, poem, sculpture, digital print or video that can be interpreted to reveal a hidden meaning.

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Over the course of six weeks, youth participants will develop and manifest their own **allegories of the world they want to see**, using visual storytelling, art, and film as tools of inquiry and imagination. Their works will culminate in a public exhibition at the **Minneapolis Institute of Art** on June 28, the official premiere date of *Juneteenth Reckoning with Slavery: The Making of America*, presented in partnership with the **Minnesota Humanities Center**.

Participants will be immersed into Art development, exhibit curation and filmmaking, based on the historical context of producing “The Making of America” film under the direction of Monique Linder, Director/Film Producer. OMG Studios will select 10-20 applicants to participate in the 2026 Innovation Lab The Making of America Art curation project.

Schedule:

Saturday, March 14th | Instructor: Young Rembrandts | Time: 9:00am – 12noon (Age: 10-16). This session is open to partner schools and art programs. Online / In-Person (PHOTOS)

Saturday, March 28th | Instructor Bio: Alana Enfinity | Time: 9:00am – 12noon | Open to Innovation Lab participants 12-19, interested in submitting their Art for a chance to be showcased in “The Making of America” touring Art Exhibit.

Saturday, April 4th | Instructor: Seitu Jones | Time: 9:00am – 12noon | Open to Innovation Lab participants 12-19, interested in submitting their Art for a chance to be showcased in “The Making of America” touring Art Exhibit.

Saturday, April 11th | Instructor: [Rekhet Si-Asar](#) | Time: 9:00am – 12noon | Open to Innovation Lab participants 12-19, interested in submitting their Art for a chance to be showcased in “The Making of America” touring Art Exhibit.

Breakfast / Lunch is served. There is no fee to participate, and all art supplies are provided. Learn more about OMG Studios Innovation Lab at: bit.ly/3OGUsN2.

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