



# The Crooked Road Artist-In-Residence 2022 Program Overview

## **Artist-In-Residence Introduction**

The Crooked Road would like to offer heritage musicians living in the 19 county and 4 town region of Southwest Virginia the opportunity to apply for a new Artist-In-Residence program.

The selected artist would serve as ambassador for The Crooked Road in the following capacity:

- Produce an original piece of music for The Crooked Road use
- Conduct at least 2 in-person educational workshop/master classes over the course of the residency
- Prerecord a virtual lesson on heritage music for distribution to school systems of the region
- Participate in various Crooked Road concerts, as scheduled, or at partner venue concerts

## **Eligibility**

Heritage musicians of all genres are encouraged to apply. Our goal is for these artists to share their artistic inspiration and knowledge of heritage music as they represent The Crooked Road and Southwest Virginia.

## **Expectations**

The Artist-in-Residence program requires the selected artist to donate an original piece of music, representative of the artist's style and reflecting the heritage music's within the twelve-month duration of the residency. Artists would be available for approximately one TCR event or related-event per month. Artists must provide their own instruments during their residency.

## **Dates for the Residency**

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

## **Compensation**

\$6,000 stipend for the 12 month period, plus eligible reimbursable travel expenses (those that occur to/from events)

## **Application and Selection Process**

Applications for the 2022 Artist-in-Residence program will be available May 6, 2022. **The deadline for applications will be May 31, 2022.** All materials need to be emailed or postmarked by this date.

Applications can be submitted via email or mail submitted by email or mail to the following addresses:

Email: [admin@thecrookedroad.org](mailto:admin@thecrookedroad.org)

Mail:

The Crooked Road  
Attn: Admin  
1 Heartwood Circle  
Abingdon, VA 24210

The selection process will begin on June 1, 2022. Artist applications will be reviewed by a select committee of TCR Board of Directors members. Select residency candidates will undergo an interview as a second step and then the final selected musician will be notified by June 15, 2022.

**About The Crooked Road:**

- Founded in 2004
- Designated as Virginia's Heritage Music Trail by the State of Virginia
- 330 mile music trail based in SWVA on Rte. 58 and the communities it runs through
- Includes 19 counties, 4 cities, over 50 towns, 5 regional planning districts, various tourism organizations, 9 major venues & over 60 affiliated venues and festivals

**What does The Crooked Road do?**

- TCR focuses on traditional heritage music such as bluegrass and old time music.
- TCR's mission includes youth music education, promotion of heritage music and artists from the region and preservation of the history of the region's unique heritage music.
- TCR works with local governments, community leaders, venues and tourism organization to market the music of the region to encourage visitation and increase economic impact

**Mission Statement**

As the designated trail for the growth of heritage music and music enthusiasts, The Crooked Road is Virginia's beacon for heritage music, engaging musicians, tradition-keepers, their communities and audiences from around the world to share, inspire, and celebrate the cultural heritage while positively impacting the local economies in Southwest Virginia.

**Vision**

The Crooked Road celebrates and develops appreciation of heritage music through music experiences



# The Crooked Road Artist-In-Residence 2022 Application

**Application Deadline: May 31, 2022**

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Website or Facebook Page: \_\_\_\_\_

Genre: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently affiliated with a band? YES or NO

If so, what band? \_\_\_\_\_

Describe your experience with traditional music and culture of Southwest Virginia:

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What interests you in being an Artist-In-Residence:

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Please enclose appropriate examples of recent work, such as: digital email attachments or copy of a CD or DVD for video or music. Copies of sample CD/DVDs will not be returned, or links to youtube or performances that occurred between January 1, 2021 and April 15, 2022.

Additional Recommendations: The artist will preferably include a brief written recommendation from a professional in his/her field who is familiar with his/her knowledge of heritage music.

By signing this application, musician acknowledges and agrees to the outlined expectations, term and compensation.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_