

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Based at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, the Transcultural NJ: Public Service Arts Program (TNJ: PSAP) is currently accepting applications from artists of all disciplines for a paid opportunity to be trained and to execute a residency in a community-based setting.

About the **Transcultural NJ—Public Service Art Program**: Now entering its third year, TNJ: PSAP believes in the transformative power of collaborative art-making to build communities, to be a resource for personal growth and healing, and to encourage civic engagement. We also believe in the ability of artists to be leaders of social change by using their talents to foster cross-cultural understanding and to show community members, who often have little to no access to the arts, how to tap into their own creativity. However, like all professionals, artists need support and training to accomplish this; therefore, artists accepted into our program receive:

- Professional development to learn skills such as: project design, communication strategies, how to work with different populations, time management, etc.
- Mentoring and support from experienced community artists
- Prescreened community sites throughout New Jersey where artists collaborate with a more experienced community artist to complete a short-term residencies working with different marginalized populations such as inner-city youth, elderly, and English language learners.
- Opportunity to join a network of over 30 artists from all disciplines to share ideas with and learn.

To see some of our past projects and to obtain an application and guidelines, visit our website at: <http://app.rutgers.edu/transcnj.html>. For questions regarding the Transcultural NJ: Public Service Art Program, please contact Yilis del C. Suriel at (732) 932-4302 or yilis@rci.rutgers.edu.

Application Deadline: August 31, 2007