

FY2026 Individual Artist Fellowship and Emerging Artist Award

Visual Arts

SCORING MATRIX

Value	Description	Score
Exemplary	Demonstrates exemplary artistic merit and an excellent history of award/achievements and commitment to the work	95-100
Accomplished	Demonstrates significant artistic merit and a strong history of awards/achievements and commitment to the work	80-94
Proficient	Demonstrates sufficient artistic merit with a good number of awards/achievements and a clear commitment to the work	60-79
Intermediate	Demonstrates developing artistic merit with some achievements and some clear commitment to the work	40-59
Novice	Demonstrates limited or no artistic merit with few or no achievements or show of commitment to the work	1-39

SCORING CRITERIA

Artistic Merit (70 points):

- Distinctiveness (35 points)
- Originality (35 points)

Achievements and Commitment (30 points)

- Awards, Achievements, Exhibitions, Education/Training (30 points)