

FY2027 Individual Artist Fellowship

Literary Arts

SCORING CRITERIA

Artistic Excellence

- Originality (*25 points*)
(*distinctive and fresh voice*)
- Creativity (*25 points*)
(*imaginative in concepts and execution*)
- Quality of craft (*25 points*)
(*skill and control in the writer's use of language*)
- Technical skill (*25 Points*)
 - *Prose (fiction and creative nonfiction): Character development, plot, theme, narrative structure, and dialogue*
 - *Poetry: Word choice, imagery, rhythm, and emotional resonance*
 - *Play/Screenwriting: Story, structure, plot, and character arcs*

SCORING RUBRIC

| Description | Score |
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| Demonstrates significant artistic excellence in all four areas | 24-25 |
| Demonstrates strong artistic excellence in all four areas | 22-23 |
| Demonstrates some artistic excellence in at least three areas | 19-21 |
| Demonstrates emerging artistic excellence in at least two areas | 11-18 |
| Demonstrates limited artistic excellence | 0-10 |