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Arts Idaho wants to hear from you!

We are planning our work for the next five years, and we are holding Listening Sessions across the state to make sure that the voices of the folks we serve are represented in our new plan. We hope you will host a session in your community so that your ideas can help shape future funding, programs, and services to support the arts in Idaho. Here's what you can expect during a session:

1. **Introductions (10 minutes):**
Participants share their names and one word that describes the arts in their communities.
2. **About Arts Idaho (5 minutes):**
We give a quick overview of our agency's work and priorities.
3. **Activity: Investment in the Arts (15 minutes):**
Participants get make investments in the arts.
4. **Activity: Our Creative Future (20 minutes):**
The group does a little dreaming, then creates short articles describing future accomplishments in the arts in their communities.
5. **Farewell (10 minutes):**
We give folks time to share ideas that didn't surface during the session.

As a host, we will ask you to find a meeting space, then invite the folks in your community who should be at the table: artists, arts administrators and educators, arts patrons, and community leaders. Our sessions work well with small groups of up to 35 people.

If you are interested in hosting a session, please contact our Executive Director, Laura Curry: laura.curry@arts.idaho.gov or 208-334-7504. We hope to hear from you soon!

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