

Minnesota Indigenous Business Alliance (MNIBA)

Request for Qualifications (RFQ)

Native Artist Activists/Organizers

PROJECT SUMMARY

MNIBA is seeking to contract two Native Artist Activists/Organizers: (1) **Lead Instigator** and (1) **Story Keeper**. Selected artists will aid MNIBA in our initiative to advance the right of self-determination of Native Artists to maintain, protect and develop the past, present and future expressions of their art. Contracted Artists will assist MNIBA to create a snapshot of the state of Native Arts in Minnesota and develop a strategic vision for the future.

SCOPE OR WORK

The **Lead Instigator** will facilitate a series of individual and group conversations with Native artists and Native-led arts organizations that will guide the creation of a vision for the future of Native Arts in Minnesota.

The **Story Keeper** will work with the Lead Instigator and will be responsible for telling the story of Native Arts in Minnesota.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Lead Instigator:

- Established art practice and a deep understanding of the broad range of Native arts and Native artists in Minnesota
- Experience that demonstrates community-based leadership in the arts
- Record of inclusive engagement; ability to build trust and create relationships respectfully and constructively with people of differing opinions

Story Keeper:

- Established art practice and a deep understanding of the broad range of Native arts and Native artists in Minnesota
- Strong communicator and storyteller
- Detail orientated with the ability to see the big picture

TO SUBMIT QUALIFICATIONS

Please send an email to info@mniba.org and in the subject line please write: Lead Instigator or Story Keeper – (your name). In the email please include:

- 1-Page letter of interest (indicate if you are submitting for the Lead Instigator or Story Keeper)

MNIBA is a Native-led and governed 501c3 nonprofit organization that supports Native entrepreneurs, artists, creatives, communities, and organizations.

- Resume
- Three references
- Three writing samples (provide links or attach writing samples of 500 words or less)

Additional details on the project and scope of work will be discussed during contract negotiation. Selected Artists will be offered a 9-month contract at 30 hours a month with a rate of \$40 an hour.
Please submit on or before May 5, 2021