



Please complete and return this application to Bronx Council on the Arts as soon as possible. Email completed application to bryan@bronxarts.org.

Senior Center Contact Information

Name of Senior Center: R.A.I.N Boston Road Senior Services Center _____
 Address: 2424 Boston Road, Bronx, NY, 10467
 Center Director: James Carey _____
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 Designated SU-CASA Contact and Title (if not Director): _____
 Name: Same as Director
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____ Title: _____

Senior Center General Information

Hours open daily, Monday – Friday: 8am to 4 pm _____
 Is it possible to offer programming on weekends or evenings? **No**
 If yes, please describe: _____
 Days/hours when arts programming *cannot* take place or is inadvisable (e.g., conflicts with lunch or other popular programming): 11 am to 12:30 pm _____
 Total # of participants/center members: 200 _____
 Average daily # of participants/members: 130 ____
 Do you have a large number of non-English speaking senior members? **N**
 If yes, are you interested in artists who speak a second language, if available? **Y**
 If yes, please specify your language needs; Spanish or Albanian _____

Arts Programming

Please indicate arts or cultural programming that *currently* takes place at the senior center, as well as programs that are desired. You may request additional programs in an area where your center already provides a program, and may select as many choices as you wish.

PROGRAM TYPE	CURRENTLY OFFERED AT MY CENTER	WOULD LIKE TO OFFER AT MY CENTER
Instrumental music instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chorus / Singing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dance instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Theater / Performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Writing / Memoir / Poetry	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Painting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Textiles (knitting, weaving, etc)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other visual art instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Filmmaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other digital arts instruction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Other (please indicate)		
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Space Available for Arts Programming

Briefly describe the space(s) where SU-CASA arts programming for seniors could take place: _____
 We have an arts and crafts room with a sink and a library room. Both can accommodate 15 people easily. We also have a large recreation room for 128 people with a stage and sound system.

What other activities take place there now, if any?

Exercise in the morning and Bingo on Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the large recreation room _____

Can the available space be made private and/or for exclusive use for SU-CASA?: Yes for the library and arts room.

If the space is shared, please describe: _____

Days/hours when the space is available: Monday to Friday, 9 am to 3 pm _____

The space is locked/secure when not in use: Y

Water/sink is accessible in the space or near the space: Yes,

There are windows in the space: Y

There is storage space (e.g. a locked cabinet or closet) available for SU-CASA: Y

The space has electrical outlets: Y

Size of the space: Medium for the arts and library rooms and large for the recreation room.

Additional comments regarding the available space: _____

The senior center can currently provide the following facilities (check all that apply):

Access to a working kiln no

Access to a working piano no

x Access to a "stage" (briefly describe): Yes, 17'x9' and 2' high, wooden dance area

Gallery/exhibition space (briefly describe): A lot of wall space in the corridors and lunch area

Practice/performance space (is it a wood floor? Y X) (briefly describe): Parkay

Space for a public event (briefly describe): A large room with capacity for 179 people

X Access to computers for senior participants

Access to wireless or computer internet

Senior Center Narrative

Please describe the culture and activity of your center. What is it like on a daily basis? How would you characterize your senior members' level of energy and engagement?



We have a very diverse group at the center, including black American and Caribbean, Latinos, Chinese, Jewish, Italian, Albanian and other nationalities and cultures. A good portion is very active and physical fitness is popular with many. We have a training room with exercise machines, a recreation area for Zumba, health and nutrition classes We have groups that enjoy pool, Ma Jong, dominos and Bingo. Dancing is popular as well as trips to museums and the theater is popular.

How do you believe the SU-CASA program would benefit your members and your center? What do you hope to gain?

Su-CASA is very popular with a group of our seniors. Programs give them an opportunity to express themselves, to socialize with, and communicate with peers on a deeper level. The art projects with SU-CASA also give our seniors a sense of accomplishment and self worth when they work on their projects and see they have talent they didn't know they had.

What is the best way to introduce new programs at your center? How would you work with the SU-CASA arts partner to introduce the program to your center and recruit members to participate?

The best way is to start to publicize any classes and programs 4 to six weeks ahead of time and to arrange a kick-off event to introduce the instructor and answer any questions.

Supplemental Materials

Please also include any photographs of the classroom, the exhibition/performance space, or other facilities that would be used for SU-CASA, if available.