



Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning

A welcoming destination where artists, arts organizations, and the community come together to explore, create, and be inspired.

Call for Applicants

Creativity Studio 'A'

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Application Deadline: April 15, 2021

Earliest Occupancy: May 1, 2021

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Summary

The Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning at 370 King Street West, Kingston, Ontario is currently accepting proposals from arts professionals to rent one of its 8 Creativity Studios.

These bright spaces for art creation, located in a historic building on the shores of Lake Ontario, are available on one-year renewable licenses at affordable rates. Artists at all stages of their careers and from all disciplines who commit to a program of community engagement and who meet the criteria are encouraged to submit proposals.

Our Mandate

The Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning (TCCL) is a not-for-profit, charitable organization that operates an historic city-owned building on Kingston's waterfront. We provide professionally equipped and affordable space to artists and arts organizations for artistic creation.

The Tett Centre is home to nine arts organizations (including the TCCL), eight resident artist studios, and four multi-use rentable public spaces. We are a dynamic arts hub that coordinates and creates high-quality, accessible, arts-focused programming for all levels of artistic abilities and experience.

Our partners include artists, arts and community organizations, The Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts, and the City of Kingston's Department of Cultural Services.

As a unique cultural landmark for Kingston residents and area visitors, we enhance learning and public participation in the arts.

The Creativity Studio Program

The Creativity Studios fill a need in Kingston and the broader arts community for affordable, high quality, community-based arts studios that support our mandate. Creativity Studio artists have access to studio space with public exposure and unique opportunities in a vibrant arts community. In exchange, artists are required to take part in the larger Tett community by offering two and a half (2.5) hours per month of engaging activities such as small drop-in workshops, demonstrations, presentations, skill-sharing, advertised open studio times, and off-site promotion of the Tett Centre to promote public participation in the arts. This time is known as the "Community Engagement Contribution" (CEC). Artists work with the Tett Centre's Programming and Communication Coordinator and Director to develop these activities and integrate them into the broader artistic programming of the Tett Centre. This opportunity to give back to the community is an exciting and integral part of the Tett and its presence in Kingston and beyond.

The Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning provides paid opportunities (when possible) for Creativity Studio artists who are interested in and who are selected for Tett-created programming.

Artists have unlimited building access, respecting quiet hours between 11:00PM and 7:00PM. Studios are not soundproof.

The Tett Centre is host to public and private events throughout the year. Creativity Studio artists can expect daily visitors to the centre who come for a variety of reasons: tours, workshops, conferences, rehearsals, arts camps, and events held in conjunction with our partners and community renters.

Each Creativity Studio is intended for one artist. Two artists can share a studio, but each artist must apply individually and make note of the intent to share the space.

Creativity Studio artists are required to adhere to all Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning policies and guidelines, and to comply with all municipal, provincial, and federal health and safety measures and restrictions.

The Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning expects safe business practices from all its licensees and tenants.

Artists are expected to use their studio primarily for art creation. For private instruction and meetings, group sizes must adhere to fire regulations.

Spaces are available to rent in the centre for workshops and classes outside of the studios at reduced rates.

An evaluation by the TCCL of an artist's CEC is used for annual Creativity Studio license renewal.

Studio Description

- Creativity Studios are in Suite 214 on the south end of the 2nd floor.
- Each studio has a window – some studios have a low deep sill suitable for a window seat – with views of the lake.
- All studios have 12' ceilings, at least one exposed limestone wall, with remaining walls of painted drywall.
- The Tett Centre is completely accessible with barrier free parking, elevator access and accessible washrooms.
- Double wide loading doors are located on the 2nd floor.
- The suite of studios has a kitchenette and deep sink for clean-up.
- Signage at the main entrance of the building directs visitors to the Creativity Studios.

- Public display space is available (with permission from the TCCL Director) both within the suite of studios as well as a public space at the end of the 2nd floor corridor.
- Retrofits for additional ventilation, electrical services, and/or to address the attenuation of noise that may be required for some arts disciplines are not permitted.

License Fee

Studio Sizes (all sizes are approximate)

Studio	Size	Sq. ft.	Community Engagement Contribution	2021 License Fee
A - available	10' X 14'	141	2.5hrs/month	\$384 + HST
B	10' X 14'	141	2.5hrs/month	\$384 + HST
C	14' X 17'	236	2.5hrs/month	\$599 + HST
D	13' X 11'6"	152	2.5hrs/month	\$415 + HST
E	14' X 17"	236	2.5hrs/month	\$599 + HST
F	13' X 12'6"	175	2.5hrs/month	\$465 + HST
G	12' X 17'	214	2.5hrs/month	\$552 + HST
H -	12' X 17'	217	2.5hrs/month	\$552 + HST

The License Fee covers the costs of:

- Reasonable use of utilities
- Waste services in the garbage room
- Access to the Creativity Studio common area of Suite 214, kitchenette, and restrooms
- Dedicated Wi-Fi for Suite 214 occupants
- Costs associated with site operational maintenance (e.g., Snowplowing, landscaping)
- Inclusion of your name/business on marketing material and social media platforms

Eligibility Requirement

The Tett Centre is dedicated to working with professional artists in all stages of their careers. Applicants who are considered emerging professional artists at the time of their application are eligible.

A professional artist is someone who:

- has completed specialized training in the field (not necessarily in academic institutions),
- is recognized as such by peers (artists working in the same artistic tradition),
- has a history of public presentation and/or publication and community involvement.

Adjudication Criteria

Applications for a studio at the Tett Centre are reviewed by the TCCL Creativity Studio Selection Group. Members of this group are: TCCL Staff, a Director from the TCCL Board of Directors, a representative from the Creativity Studios, and a representative from a TCCL resident community arts organization.

What we are looking for:

- a completed Creativity Studio Application Form (page 6) with all supporting documents,
- a clear and compelling proposal of your intended use of the studio that gives us an idea of your interest in being part of the Tett Centre arts hub,
- an inspiring plan for your monthly Community Engagement Contribution to further the Tett Centre's vision to 'connect people and communities through the arts' and mandate to 'enhance public participation in the arts'.

The TCCL Creativity Studio Selection Group will use the criteria above as a guide to assign a license. Candidates may be asked to attend an interview.

How to Submit Your Creativity Studio Application

Please [complete the form on page 6](#) and send in PDF format with all supporting documents before 5:00PM on April 15th, 2021 to:

Nadine Baker, Director of the TCCL, at: director@tettcentre.org

'Creativity Studio Application' should be in the subject field.

The Tett Centre for Creativity and Learning is committed to protecting the privacy of individuals, groups, and organizations. Your application will be shared with the TCCL Creativity Studio Selection Group only.

TCCL Creativity Studios Application Form

1. Name:
*If more than one artist is interested in the studio please complete a separate form for each artist and make note of the co-applicant's name.
2. Address:
3. Phone:
4. E-mail:
5. Website:
6. Arts discipline:
7. How will you use a Creativity Studio? Please attach. (Maximum 200 words)
8. What is your plan to contribute to the Tett Centre and the Greater Kingston community for 2.5 hours of CEC each month? Please include how you may have been involved in community art and engagement in the past. Please attach. (Maximum 200 words)
9. Please attached the following supporting documents to your submission:
 - a) Short Artist Bio (Maximum 100 words)
 - b) Your Artist CV
 - c) 6-10 high resolution images of your art with a corresponding details chart, for example: title, size and medium, description and date. Or links to online images or audio/visual work. Electronic submissions are preferred.
 - d) Your responses to questions #7 and #8 on one page
 - e) 3 reference letters from arts professionals, mentors, teachers, or peers.
10. If you are chosen, when are you available to move in?

Signature _____ Date of Application: _____