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## CALL FOR ARTISTS: YWCA Week Without Violence 2022

YWCA Canada, the nation's oldest and largest gender equity organization, is seeking proposals for a digital art activation for its Week Without Violence.

Each year during the third week of October, Canadians, and people around the world mark YWCA's Week Without Violence, a week-long series of community events promoting diverse approaches to creating a violence-free world. People in schools, workplaces, and neighborhood organizations throughout Canada recognize this annual violence prevention initiative aimed at making violence a thing of the past. This year, we will be focused on technology-facilitated violence (abuse, harassment and violence conducted online or amplified/enabled by online tools). YWCA Canada is a leader in addressing technology-facilitated violence through its [Block Hate: Building Resilience against Online Hate Speech](#) project.

As part of the Week Without Violence, YWCA Canada is seeking artists to explore the concept of #heartsspeech, countering online hate through the use of positive messages. Proposals must reflect the theme of YWCA Canada's Week Without Violence of taking action against technology-facilitated violence and provide an opportunity to engage the public in participatory or community art around the creating safer digital and in-person spaces and countering hate speech with positive messages.

Proposals should demonstrate a commitment to creating art from an anti-oppression, intersectional feminist perspective. Proposals can be submitted in English or French.

Successful artists will be provided with a theme to create a piece that will be promoted throughout YWCAs and on social media across the country. Artists' works will be projected at YWCAs and on various digital spaces.

Please submit your proposal with the subject line YWCA WWV Art Submission to [careers@ywcacanada.ca](mailto:careers@ywcacanada.ca) by **September 11, 2022 at midnight (EST)**.

We encourage women from racialized and/or newcomer, gender diverse, non-binary and/or gender fluid, 2SLGBTQIA+ First Nation, Métis and Inuit, immigrant, refugee, BIPOC, and people living with disabilities to submit proposals.

The selected artist will be compensated with an honorarium of up to \$2000.

Questions or issues with your proposal? Please email [careers@ywcacanada.ca](mailto:careers@ywcacanada.ca)