

RESOURCE GUIDE

## **TIPS FOR WRITING AN ARTIST STATEMENT:**

[“Don't Quote Deleuze”: How to Write a Good Artist Statement by Loney Abrams,](https://www.artspace.com/magazine/interviews_features/art-bytes/dont-say-deleuze-how-to-write-a-good-artist-statement-54662) published by Artspace Magazine

[Best Professional Practices for Artists: The Artist Statement Made Simple by Cara Ober](http://www.bmoreart.com/2009/04/best-professional-practices-for-artists-2.html), published by BmoreArt

[How to write an artist statement, part 1](http://nathanielstern.com/blog/2009/06/01/how-to-write-an-artist-statement/) by Nathaniel Stern

## **ARTS ADVOCACY ORGANIZATIONS:**

**Springboard for the Arts**   
Springboard is a Twin-Cities based arts-advocacy organization that offers workshops, professional consultations and some technology services to working artists. Some services are free; you will have to pay for others.   
262 University Ave W, St Paul, MN 55103  
651-292-4381   
[www.springboardforthearts.org](http://www.springboardforthearts.org)

**MNartists.org**   
Mn Artists is home to art, writing, opportunities and conversation, online and off, by, for and about Midwestern artists working in every discipline  
[www.mnartists.org](http://www.mnartists.org)

**Film North**   
Film North provides film, photo, and editing equipment to members. Call for an appointment.   
550 Vandalia St #120, St Paul, MN 55114

(651) 644-1912   
<http://myfilmnorth.org/>

## **REGIONAL ARTS BOARDS:**

These organizations are affiliated with the Minnesota State Arts Board and the McKnight Foundation. They may be able to offer you computer access and assistance or direct you to someone near you who can.

Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, and Roseau counties:   
**Northwest Regional Arts Council**   
109 S. Minnesota St., Warren, MN 56762-1428  
218-745-6733   
<http://www.northwestminnesotaartscouncil.org/>

Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, and Mahnomen counties:   
**Region 2 Arts Council**   
505 Bemidji Ave N, Bemidji, MN 56601  
218-751-5447  
[www.r2arts.org](http://www.r2arts.org)

Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake, and Saint Louis counties:   
**Arrowhead Regional Arts Council**   
424 W Superior St Suite 104, Duluth, MN 55802  
218-722-0952  
[www.aracouncil.org](http://www.aracouncil.org)

Becker, Clay, Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin counties:   
**Lake Region Arts Council**   
133 South Mill Street, Fergus Falls, MN 56537   
218-739-5780  
[www.lrac4.org](http://www.lrac4.org/)

Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd, and Wadena counties:

**Five Wings Arts Council**   
121 4th Street NE, Staples, MN 56479  
218-895-5660  
<https://www.fwac.org/>

Big Stone, Chippewa, Cottonwood, Jackson, Kandiyohi, Lincoln, Lac qui Parle, Lyon,   
McLeod, Meeker, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Redwood, Renville, Rock, Swift, and   
Yellow Medicine Counties:   
**Southwest Minnesota Arts Council**   
114 N 3rd St, Marshall, MN 56258  
507-537-1471  
<http://swmnarts.org/>

Chisago, Isanti, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, and Pine counties:   
**East Central Regional Arts Council**   
109 Weber Ave S, PO Box 554

Hinckley, MN 55037  
320-396-2337  
<http://www.ecrac.org/>

Benton, Sherburne, Stearns, and Wright counties:   
**Central Minnesota Arts Board**   
220 4th Ave N, Foley, MN 56329  
(320) 968-4290  
[www.centralmnartsboard.org](http://www.centralmnartsboard.org)

Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, Le Sueur, Martin, Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan counties:   
**Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council**   
105 22nd Avenue NE, Suite A, Waseca, MN 56093  
507-833-8721

[www.plrac.org](http://www.plrac.org)

Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Houston, Olmsted, Mower, Rice, Steele, Wabasha, and Winona counties:   
**Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council**   
2778 D Commerce Drive NW Rochester, MN 55901  
507-281-4848   
[www.semac.org](http://www.semac.org)

Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott, and Washington counties:   
**Metropolitan Regional Arts Council**   
2324 University Avenue West, Suite 114, St. Paul, MN 55114   
651-645-0402   
[www.mrac.org](http://www.mrac.org)

## **PHOTO SERVICES:**

**FedEx Kinko's**   
Probably the most widespread and one-stop option, these stores have computers with   
Adobe Photoshop and Microsoft Word, can scan your slides or photographs and burn   
CDs. Visit [www.fedex.com](http://www.fedex.com) to find the location nearest you.   
  
Springboard for the Arts has a great site to locate local professionals to document and digitize your work. Visit it online at their [Art Service Directory.](https://springboardforthearts.org/referrals/?c=135/)

## **DIGITAL IMAGING SOFTWARE:**

There are a variety of products that can help you format your images successfully. Packaged software is available to purchase as well as free downloadable software. Recently various websites are offering online image editing tools as well.

**Adobe (**[http://www.adobe.com](http://www.adobe.com/)**)** currently provides two photo editing products--Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Elements--that are very popular among today's designers and artists. Adobe Elements, the less-expensive option, provides a free 30-day trial if you would like to try the program before purchasing.

**Get Paint (**[http://www.getpaint.net](http://www.getpaint.net/)**)**, a free open-source program for Windows-based computers, can also help to format images successfully. If you are a Mac user, download **Gimp (**[http://www.gimp.org](http://www.gimp.org/)**)**, a useful image-editing program.

**Sumo (**[http://www.sumopaint.com](http://www.sumopaint.com/)**) and Pixlr (**[http://www.pixlr.com](http://www.pixlr.com/)**)** are some of the few websites out there that offer image-editing right in the browser.

## **FOR SOFTWARE HELP:**

**Adobe Support**   
Adobe.com has tutorials and troubleshooting advice for Photoshop users.   
[www.adobe.com/support/photoshop/](http://www.adobe.com/support/photoshop/)

**Microsoft Support**   
If you're having trouble with Microsoft Word, perhaps Microsoft Support can help.   
[support.microsoft.com](http://support.microsoft.com)