

APPLICATIONS OPEN



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HOOPLA Rising Overview

HOOPLA Rising is a youth mentorship program that invites emerging artists ages 12–18 to explore creativity, confidence, and self-expression through the creation of original wearable sculptures.

Participants consider what it means to take up space as they transform reclaimed materials into wearable works of art while receiving mentorship, technical guidance, and opportunities for public presentation.

Through creative reuse, storytelling, and artistic exploration, participants are encouraged to discover their voices and recognize that their stories matter.

Participants should expect to spend approximately **8–10 weeks** independently developing their wearable sculpture, with mentorship sessions scheduled throughout the program.

Participants Receive

- Steel hoops and access to HOOPLA's collection of reclaimed materials
- One \$20 gift card to The Scrap Exchange to encourage independent material sourcing and creative exploration
- HOOPLA build sheets
- Up to 10 hours of mentorship and technical guidance from HOOPLA Founder Perrin Marie
- Access to community partner sewing machines and workspace for participants who do not have sewing equipment at home
- Professional photography and videography of completed work
- Public runway presentation at the HOOPLA Tea Party



Accessibility & Cost

Thanks to community support, sponsorship, and fundraising efforts, selected participants are invited to participate at no cost.

To help remove barriers to participation, each participant will receive a \$20 gift card to The Scrap Exchange for additional materials. Participants who do not have access to a sewing machine at home will be able to use sewing equipment and workspace provided through HOOPLA's community partners.

Participants are responsible for transportation to scheduled program activities and events.

Why It Matters

HOOPLA honors activists, artists, and changemakers who created space for others. HOOPLA Rising asks what happens when we create space for the next generation.

Young people are often told to wait their turn, lower their voices, or fit into existing expectations. HOOPLA Rising encourages participants to trust their creativity, value their perspectives, and imagine new possibilities for themselves and their communities.

HOOPLA Rising Application

Thank you for your interest in HOOPLA Rising!

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There is no single "right" kind of artist for this program. HOOPLA Rising is designed for participants with a wide range of creative interests, experiences, and backgrounds. Whether you have been making art for years or are just beginning your creative journey, you're encouraged to apply.

Please complete the application below.



Applicant Information

Name

Age

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Email Address

Phone Number

City & State

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Email



Parent/Guardian Phone Number

About You

Share a little about yourself.

What creative activities do you enjoy? (Art, music, writing, performance, fashion, crafting, photography, etc.)



What interests you about HOOPLA Rising?

Are there any scheduling conflicts or commitments we should know about during the program?

Creative Work

Please share up to 5 examples of creative work you have made.
Previous fashion or sculpture experience is not required.

This can include artwork, writing, performance, music, photography, fashion, crafts, community projects, or other creative endeavors.

Include links to images, or attach images when sending in this application.

Describe the linked or attached work here:



Why do you want to participate in HOOPLA Rising?

What does "taking up space" mean to you?



Is there anything else you would like us to know?

Parent/ Guardian Statement

Why do you feel HOOPLA Rising would be a good opportunity for your child?

Commitment



HOOPLA Rising asks participants to dedicate time to designing and building a wearable sculpture over several weeks. Are you prepared to commit to completing the program if selected?

Yes

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I'm not sure

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The program culminates with a public runway presentation at the HOOPLA Tea Party. Participants are expected to attend and present their completed wearable sculptures as part of this event.

Are you prepared to commit to participating in the HOOPLA Tea Party if selected?

Yes

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I'm not sure

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I understand that submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance into HOOPLA Rising.

Applicant Initials

Parent/Guardian Initials

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Applicant Signature



Submission Instructions:

Submit completed applications and work samples to:
theperrinmarie@gmail.com

Subject Line:
HOOPLA Rising Application – [Applicant Name]

Application Deadline:
July 10, 2026

Applicants will be notified by July 12, 2026