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Applications Are Open for the 2026 Ashland Fringe Festival

Back for a second year, Ashland Fringe is thrilled to announce that artist applications for the 2026 Ashland Fringe Festival are now officially open! Creatives of all disciplines are invited to apply for the opportunity to showcase their work during one of Ashland's most adventurous and innovative arts events.

In its first year, the 2025 Ashland Fringe Festival hosted 42 artists, hailing from Ashland, Medford, Eugene, Portland, Idaho, and Georgia, who helped us bring in over 2,000 audience members to experience FREE performances, art installations, workshops and community events.

Why Apply?

The Ashland Fringe Festival is a fantastic opportunity to present bold art that thrives in unconventional spaces. Whether you're a seasoned artist or you've never presented your work, there's a place for you! Artists from all backgrounds and communities are encouraged to apply. In a town vibrant with art, Ashland Fringe provides visibility for creatives on the outskirts of the mainstream, offering space for risk-taking, experimentation, and voices that might otherwise go unheard.

The 2026 Ashland Fringe Festival will take place Friday, May 15 - Sunday, May 17, 2026 in Lithia Park and downtown Ashland.

Apply now at tinyurl.com/applyAF2026

Application Deadline: Friday, January 2, 2026

For more information, visit ashlandfringe.org. Questions? Contact us at ashlandfringe.org/contact.



About Ashland Fringe

Inspired by the World Fringe Movement, Ashland Fringe is an offspring of the 11 year old Oregon Fringe Festival. Ashland Fringe is a grassroots organization led by a team of Southern Oregon University alumni. We aim to bolster under-represented voices and connect artists and audiences from all walks of life to bold expression. The festival, a free and all encompassing arts event, unites the Rogue Valley community in celebration of unique creativity produced by professional and student artists, both local and visiting. Over the course of three days, artists and the community come together to showcase original work in an extensive range of disciplines; music, theater, visual art, performance art, dance, story-telling, creative writing, film and more.

Our Mission

Ashland Fringe cultivates community, provides a platform for uniquely creative voices, and bolsters unconventional new art. Ashland Fringe connects artists and audiences from all walks of life to bold expression through a lens of inclusivity, accessibility, and sustainability.

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