

## **COVID-19 SAFETY POLICY**

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Beginning February 26, 2024, Art from Ashes no longer mandates COVID-19 vaccines for staff, facilitators, contractors (including guest poets), visitors, community partners, volunteers, board members or board advisors.

AfA encourages everyone in community to join in the prevention of COVID-19. At Art from Ashes, we understand that each individual may have different risk factors and levels of comfort around taking preventative measures, like mask-wearing. We encourage all people of our communities to be respectful of others' choices about how they protect themselves and others.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has issued guidelines and resources intended to help you make informed decisions about COVID-19 prevention: <a href="https://covid19.colorado.gov">https://covid19.colorado.gov</a>.

There are important actions we can all take to help keep ourselves, colleagues, participants, our partners, and our community healthy.

The following actions are recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and inform AfA's COVID-19 policy:

Individuals are encouraged to stay up to date with COVID-19 Vaccines.

If you test positive for COVID-19, **isolate yourself by staying home for five days**. Day zero is the day you start having symptoms or the day you test positive.

You may end isolation on day five if:

- · You have no symptoms, or your symptoms are improving and
- You are fever-free for 24 hours without using fever-reducing medications

After you have ended the isolation and you are feeling better, wear a high-quality mask (e.g., KN95, N95) through day 10. If your symptoms are not improving and/or you have a fever, isolate until day 10.

For more information and the latest information and recommendations, please visit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov">https://www.cdc.gov</a>

## IF LOCAL GUIDELINES CHANGE

We will follow state and local guidelines regarding masking and gathering and adjust programming accordingly as local guidelines change.

For information on Colorado COVID-19 vaccinations, proof of vaccination, and Colorado laws regarding proof of vaccination, please see the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment website.