



Oasis For Girls Application, Spring 2012

The mission of Oasis For Girls is to provide a safe space where girls and young women are inspired and empowered to become strong and creative leaders in their communities. Oasis For Girls provides culturally relevant and gender specific life skills, arts education, leadership development, and technology training programs that support the growth of low-income and immigrant girls and young women in urban communities.

- * **RISE** is a safe space to talk about and get information on physical, emotional, and mental health needs of young women including anti-oppression, self-esteem, body image, stress management, healthy relationships, safer sex, educational options, career planning, mental health, nutrition, sexual harassment, self-defense, and more!

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 4:30-6:30 pm with some field trips during Spring Break.

Graduates will receive \$300 at successful completion

- * **Arts Apprenticeship** is a collaboration between Intersection for the Arts and Writers Corp that teaches young women street art, design/construction and creative writing skills to support healthy self expression and exploration of issues facing young women in San Francisco.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 4:30-6:30 pm. (Tuesday/Thursday sessions are held at Intersection @ 5th/Mission)

Graduates will receive \$400 at successful completion.

- * **Technology and Leadership Program** prepares young women for advanced education and careers through technology training and leadership development opportunities.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 4:30-6:30 pm with field trips during Spring Break.

Graduates will receive \$500 at successful completion.

What are the Spring 2012 Program Cycle Dates?

February 21st – May 4th, 2012 (tentative)

Who is Oasis For Girls for?

Young women ages 14-17. African American, Arab, Latina, Native, Asian and Pacific Islander, low-income, immigrant women, transgender and queer women are strongly encouraged to apply. **You must be committed to attending the entire program.**

Where is Oasis For Girls?

245-11th St, Third Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103

Near Civic Center BART and MUNI bus lines: 9, 12, 14, 14L, 26, 27, 47, 90

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD, 2012 AT 2 PM

Turn in by mail, email, fax or in person:

245-11th Street • 3rd Floor • San Francisco, CA 94103

phone: (415) 701-7991 • fax: (415) 701-0131

*Once your complete application is received, we will contact you to set up an in-person interview.



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Please rank the programs in order of preference (1st, 2nd and 3rd choice):

- RISE, Arts Apprenticeship, Technology & Leadership Program

Full Name: Age: Birthday:
Street Address: City: Zip Code:
Home Phone: Cell Phone:
School: (if applicable) Grade: Email:

The following information is confidential. It will only be reviewed by the selection committee.

What neighborhood to you live in? Ethnicity: specify:
Sexual Orientation: Family Income Level: Language Spoken at Home:

How did you hear about Oasis For Girls programs? (please check one)

- Friend, Teacher/Counselor, Youth Organization (which one?):
MySpace, www.sfoasis.org, Other (please list):

Oasis For Girls programming requires a commitment of time and energy and a minimum of 6 hours per week.

Can you commit to attending ALL sessions? YES NO

Is there anything that would prevent you from attending?

ESSAY QUESTIONS:

Please answer ALL of the questions below. Please write AT LEAST 3-4 SENTENCES for each answer. PRINT CLEARLY. Your application is confidential, so we encourage you to be as open and accurate as you can.

- 1. Describe an important event in your life and how it has impacted who you are.
2. Describe a difficult experience you've faced and what it taught you.
3. What is one issue that is important to young women? Why?
4. What is your experience working with a group?
5. What do you hope to gain from the program that you are interested in?

If you are applying for the Arts Apprenticeship program, please ALSO answer:

- 1. Describe any arts training or skills you have.

If you are applying for the Technology & Leadership program, please ALSO answer:

- 1. Describe three (3) goals that you want to accomplish in the future.
2. What leadership skills do you have? Please describe an example of how you have demonstrated each skill.
3. Please provide information about any work experience and programs you have completed.

Thank you for your time and interest in Oasis For Girls programming!

Oasis For Girls is a project of the Tides Center