



SoulGarden Foundation

Artist Application

Nurturing artistic talent through mentorship, collaboration, and opportunity

Thank you for your interest in the SoulGarden Foundation. This application helps us understand who you are as an artist, where you are in your creative journey, and how the Foundation might support your growth. Please complete all sections thoroughly. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

Important Notice Regarding Services & Fees: The SoulGarden Foundation provides both complimentary and fee-based services and programs. Acceptance into the Foundation does not entitle applicants to services at no charge. A select number of individuals demonstrating exceptional talent and/or financial need may be chosen to receive certain services at reduced cost or at no charge, at the sole discretion of the Foundation. **Applicants selected for the program will receive a detailed schedule of available services and any associated fees prior to enrollment.** No applicant will be invoiced for any service without prior written agreement.

Eligibility: Applicants must be at least 18 years of age at the time of application. Applicants under 18 must have a parent or legal guardian co-sign this application (see Section 8).

Section 1: Artist Information

Full Legal Name

Artist / Stage Name

Email Address

Phone Number

City

State

Date of Birth

MM / DD / YYYY

Website or EPK Link

(if applicable)

How did you hear about the SoulGarden Foundation?

Section 2: Artist Profile & Background

Primary Artistic Discipline

Select all that apply:

- Vocalist
- Instrumentalist
- Composer
- DJ / Electronic Artist
- Songwriter
- Producer
- Multi-instrumentalist
- Other (specify below)

If other, please specify:

Primary Genre(s)

e.g., Rock, R&B, Pop, Jazz, Classical, Hip-Hop, Country, Electronic, etc.

Career Stage

Select the option that best describes where you are today:

- Emerging (1-3 years active)
- Developing (3-7 years active)
- Established (7+ years active)

Years Actively Creating / Performing Music

Artist Bio / Statement

Tell us who you are as an artist. What drives your creative work? What is your artistic identity and what makes your voice unique? (300–500 words)

Training, Education & Mentorship History

List any formal or informal training, music education, workshops, or past mentorship experiences. Include self-taught background if applicable.

Notable Performances, Releases, Collaborations, or Recognitions

If you are early in your career, that is perfectly fine — simply share what you have accomplished so far, however modest.

Section 3: Creative Portfolio

Your creative work is the most important part of this application. Please provide links to 3–5 samples of your best and most representative work. These may be on any publicly accessible platform (YouTube, SoundCloud, Bandcamp, Spotify, Apple Music, personal website, etc.).

Work Sample 1

Link / URL:

Brief Description:

Title, date created, your role (performer, writer, producer, etc.)

Work Sample 2

Link / URL:

Brief Description:

Title, date created, your role (performer, writer, producer, etc.)

Work Sample 3

Link / URL:

Brief Description:

Title, date created, your role (performer, writer, producer, etc.)

(Optional) Work Sample 4

Link / URL:

Brief Description:

Title, date created, your role (performer, writer, producer, etc.)

(Optional) Work Sample 5

Link / URL:

Brief Description:

Title, date created, your role (performer, writer, producer, etc.)

Section 4: Goals & Needs

What are you hoping to achieve through the SoulGarden Foundation?

What drew you to apply? What does meaningful support look like for you at this stage of your career? (250–500 words)

What types of support would be most valuable to you right now?

Select all that apply:

- Mentorship from industry professionals
- Songwriting collaboration
- Marketing / branding support
- Recording / mixing / mastering
- Production / studio access
- Business / industry guidance
- Live performance development
- Other (specify below)

If other, please specify:

Do you have a specific project or creative goal you would like to pursue with Foundation support?

If so, describe the project, its current status, and what you need to bring it to completion.

What is the biggest challenge or barrier you are currently facing in your artistic career?

Where do you see yourself artistically in 2–3 years?

Section 5: References

Please provide at least one professional or artistic reference who can speak to your talent, commitment, and character. This may be a collaborator, instructor, venue owner, or anyone in the music/arts community familiar with your work.

Reference 1 (Required)

Name	Relationship to Applicant
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Email	Phone
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Reference 2 (Optional)

Name

Relationship to Applicant

Email

Phone

Section 6: Financial Context

This section helps the Foundation identify candidates who may benefit from reduced-cost or complimentary services. Your responses here have no bearing on whether your application is accepted — they are used solely to inform service and pricing decisions if you are selected for the program.

Is music your primary source of income?

Yes

No

Partial

Are you currently able to invest financially in your artistic development?

Yes

Somewhat

No

Is there anything else you would like the Foundation to know about your financial situation as it relates to your artistic career?

This is optional. Share only what you are comfortable disclosing.

Section 7: Acknowledgments & Signature

Please read each statement carefully and indicate your acknowledgment by checking the box beside each item.

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No Obligation / No Guarantee

I understand that the SoulGarden Foundation is under no obligation to accept any application, provide any specific services, or continue any relationship with any applicant or participant. Acceptance into the Foundation's programs does not constitute a contract for services, employment, or any other binding commitment.

Application Materials & Intellectual Property

I understand that materials submitted as part of this application will be retained by the SoulGarden Foundation for evaluation purposes. All creative works and intellectual property referenced or linked in this application remain my sole property. I grant the Foundation a limited, non-exclusive, non-transferable license to review and share application materials internally among Foundation board members, staff, and designated program evaluators solely for the purpose of evaluating my candidacy. This license expires twelve (12) months from the date of submission for applicants who are not accepted into a Foundation program. Upon expiration or upon my written request, the Foundation will destroy or delete retained copies of my application materials within thirty (30) days.

■ Accuracy of Information

I certify that all information provided in this application is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that misrepresentation of any information may result in the rejection of my application or removal from any Foundation programs.

■ Data Privacy & Consent

I consent to the SoulGarden Foundation collecting and storing the personal information provided in this application. I understand this information will be used solely for the purpose of evaluating my application and, if accepted, administering Foundation programs. My information will not be shared with third parties without my prior written consent, except as required by law. The Foundation will store my personal data securely and retain it only for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes described above, or as required by law. I may withdraw my consent and request deletion of my personal data at any time by contacting the Foundation in writing. Such withdrawal will not affect the lawfulness of any processing conducted prior to my request.

■ Dispute Resolution & Governing Law

I agree that this application and any relationship arising from it shall be governed by the laws of the State of Washington. In the event of any dispute, claim, or controversy arising out of or relating to this application or any Foundation programs, I agree to first attempt resolution through good-faith mediation administered by a mutually agreed-upon mediator in King County, Washington, before pursuing any other remedy. If mediation is unsuccessful, any legal action shall be brought exclusively in the state or federal courts located in King County, Washington, and I consent to the personal jurisdiction of such courts. I voluntarily waive any right to a trial by jury in any such proceeding.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agree to each of the statements above.

Applicant Signature

_____ *Applicant Signature*

_____ *Date*

Printed Name

Section 8: Parent / Legal Guardian Consent (Applicants Under 18)

This section must be completed if the applicant is under 18 years of age at the time of application. Pursuant to Washington State law (RCW 26.28.015), a parent or legal guardian must consent to and co-sign this application on behalf of the minor applicant. If the applicant is 18 or older, this section may be left blank.

Parent / Guardian Full Legal Name

Relationship to Applicant

Email Address

Phone Number

Mailing Address

■ **Parent / Guardian Acknowledgment**

I, the undersigned parent or legal guardian, have reviewed this application in its entirety, including all acknowledgments in Section 7. I consent to the minor applicant's participation in the SoulGarden Foundation application process and, if accepted, in Foundation programs. I understand and agree to all terms set forth in Section 7 on behalf of the minor applicant. I further understand that any services provided to the minor applicant, whether complimentary or fee-based, will require my separate written authorization. I acknowledge that I am legally responsible for the minor applicant's obligations arising from this application and any resulting program participation.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

Printed Name

Submission Instructions

Please submit your completed application by email to info@soulgardenfoundation.org. For questions about the application process or to reach the Foundation, please visit soulgardenfoundation.org/contact.

The SoulGarden Foundation is committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive environment for artists of all backgrounds, identities, and experience levels. We encourage applications from artists at every stage of their creative journey.

