

SOUTH CAROLINA ARTS COMMISSION*

South Carolina Arts Directory Clearance Policy

The South Carolina Arts Commission (SCAC) will obtain a criminal record history check on all newly accepted members of the South Carolina Arts Directory (SCAD) prior to being published on the directory. SCAC will also require all current members of the directory to complete a State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) background check annually in order to remain on the directory for the following year. SCAC will review the SLED report and consider the results on an individual basis within the following parameters.

Prospective and current arts directory members with the following charges will not be permitted to join and/or remain on the directory:

- Any charge (misdemeanor or felony) within the past 2 years of the date the SLED check is run
- The following charges, regardless of date, will result in permanent restriction from the arts directory:
 - Violence or neglect against children
 - Sexual or domestic violence
 - Distribution of illegal substances
 - Murder or manslaughter
- Other misdemeanors or felonies older than two years from the date of the SLED check will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

The executive leadership of SC Arts Commission reserves the right to decline, suspend, or remove any applicant or current member of the SCAD in its sole discretion in accordance with the agency's mission and values.

The prospective or current SCAD member shall have the opportunity to respond in writing to any information received as a result of the background check.