Rituals of Care

This summer, Eyebeam will host its first ever fully (Digital) Day Camp, open to high school students across the country. Students will virtually work alongside artist-educators and staff, engaging in hands-on workshops focusing on art and technology tools towards building care. Over the course of five weeks, students will be invited to explore and create forms of care for themselves and their communities, resulting in a virtual sharing on the last day.

*Rituals of Care* will be guided by these areas of focus:

- Caring for the digital self: privacy, data use, and surveillance
- Caring for the physical self: digital wellness, practices of self & community care
- Reimagining technological and non-technological forms of togetherness

How will classes be conducted?

DDC will run from July 6 - August 7, 2020, and will consist of two cohorts of 15 students each.

Classes will meet on Discord from 1 - 3:30PM EST*. Cohort 1 will meet Mondays and Thursdays, and Cohort 2 will meet Tuesday and Fridays. Open Hours (for class questions or collective play) led by teachers and TA’s are on Wednesdays at 1 - 3:30PM EST.

Please be prepared to spend up to 5 additional hours each week for self-study and work time. Class materials and schedule will be housed on Google Drive & Google Calendar.

*Note that the first day (orientation) and last day (sharing/celebration) of the program will be half an hour longer, from 1 - 4PM EST.*

Financials

There are no fees associated with this program. We are offering students $300 for their participation.
Eligibility

Student is eligible to apply if they:

- Were enrolled in high school during the 2019-2020 school year
- Can demonstrate an interest in art, technology and/or cultural issues
- Have a willingness to learn new things
- Are available to attend 1 - 3:30PM EST sessions on Mon/Thurs or Tues/Fri for the entire duration
- Has permission from their parent or legal guardian to participate
- Have a computer (Mac/Windows/Linux) and an internet connection*

Previous experience with new media tools and technology is not preferred and is not a prerequisite for the program. Ideal candidates are interested in learning, excited about new environments and experiences, and want to engage with different students and artists!

*Eyebeam will provide a limited number of laptops for students who need support in accessing a reliable computer during the program.

Apply

Students can apply directly on Submittable. Priority applications are due on June 3rd at midnight, and applicants will be notified by June 12th.

Final round of applications will close on June 15th at midnight, and these students will be notified by June 17th.

Questions

Join us Saturday, May 30th, 3 - 4PM EST for an Informational Session! For any further questions, email Yidan Zeng, Programs Coordinator, at yidan.zeng@eyebeam.org.

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