WHO WE ARE

PeaceLove is changing how people think about mental health. We provide expressive arts programming to help individuals and communities create peace of mind. We use creative expression to inspire, heal, and communicate emotions that are often difficult to convey in words.

THE CREATORS PROGRAM

PeaceLove programs strive to inspire, educate and build self-confidence through creative expression, inclusion and a message of hope. Through the CREATORS Program, PeaceLove equips front-line professionals to deliver our expressive arts curriculum to communities in need. Facilitators work directly with individuals, families, and groups throughout the country to help them achieve improved mental health and better quality of life through artistic expression. After receiving training, CREATORS deliver a workshop series consisting of visual arts, storytelling, sound and movement with the purpose of providing new resources and skills to achieve mental wellness.
BECOMING A CREATOR

A $6,000 investment by your organization trains and equips one CREATOR to spread our mission and programs. A limited number of scholarships are available. You can apply using the link below!

What the CREATOR Receives:

• 3 days of training, food, lodging, entertainment
• A manual with facilitation techniques and written curriculum for 6 PeaceLove workshops
• All curriculum, materials, art and music supplies to deliver ongoing programming to clients
  • Ongoing support and engagement, including access to PeaceLove staff and other trained frontline professionals through the CREATORS network
• Access to PeaceLove events, including our annual Storytelling event, PeaceLove Rocks event, team builders, and additional curriculum (upon achieving Certification)

Click here for the CREATORS Program Application

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

“It’s really awesome how much expressive arts can open the mind of students to different ideas.”
–Christina Getz, CREATOR (Caron – Wernersville, PA)

“Expressive arts are such an amazing way to introduce people to art and new forms of self-care.”
–Becca Taylor, CREATOR (New Hampshire Hospital – Concord, NH)

“I would call my project 'Untold' because it’s a part of my life I’ve never told anyone.”
–Participant (Family & Children’s Aid – Danbury, CT)

“It showed me a new approach to my challenges.”
–Participant (LIVESTRONG – Austin, TX)
FAQs

Do I have to be artistic to be a good CREATOR?
At PeaceLove, we believe everyone’s an artist! If you don’t see yourself as one, that’s OK. You can be a great CREATOR without being confident in your own artistic abilities.

What will I learn in the training?
During this intensive 3-day experience, you will learn about expressive arts, how they support mental wellness, specific expressive arts facilitation techniques, and be trained in 6 different workshops. You will also make new friends, have lots of fun, and gain insight about yourself as a creative and expressive person.

What is my commitment as a CREATOR?
Once you have been accepted into this program you commit to the process of becoming a Certified CREATOR. This includes participating in the full training, facilitating at least 12 workshops within one year, and providing us with documentation about the experiences you lead. We support you in this process not just with supplies but also through ongoing communication and guidance. We also connect you to our active network of CREATORS for continued growth and professional development. You will receive programmatic and facilitation feedback, as well as measurements of the impact you are having on your community.

What does it mean to be certified?
As a Certified CREATOR, you have successfully met the checkpoint requirements and have earned our stamp of approval. We are thrilled to have you continue with this program because you exemplify our organization, our approach to mental health, and are delivering high-quality programs to your participants. If you do not achieve Certification in your first year, that’s okay! We will support you in working to meet the requirements the following year. After you achieve Certification, we will continue to track and measure your impact, celebrate your progress and achievements, and remain engaged in supporting you in implementing these programs in your community.

Will this training allow me to teach others how to be a CREATOR?
No, this training is for you. If you know someone who would like to be a CREATOR, encourage them to apply and attend one of our trainings!

How are the scholarships awarded?
Our corporate partners and private funders provide whole and partial scholarships to individuals whose organization may not be able to afford the cost of the CREATORS training. Scholarships are determined by monies available, the estimated impact, and specific requests from our donors.
“Friday I ran my first CREATORS workshop! I facilitated mandala poetry with a 9-year-old patient while she waited to have her 5th surgery. The atmosphere was so peaceful while she created her mandala, and all the surgical staff tried to respect her safe space by limiting their interruptions during their pre-op preparations. The patient described how her mandala had a dark storm in it, but that the children in the middle were protected because when they held hands they were more powerful than the storm. On the way to surgery, the patient commented that she loved having surgery because she got to do fun things when she came.”

—Belinda Thayn, CREATORS at Castleview Hospital, Price, UT

“The girls connected with one another on ways to create peace of mind and find balance.”

—Taylor Hooker, CREATORS at Center for Behavioral Health, SC

“One inmate shared it was the first time in a long time he felt like a human and not just a number.”

—Val Carter, CREATORS at Federal Medical Center, Devens, MA

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—Deidre Fraser, CREATORS in St. Catherine, Jamaica

PARTNERS

Our partners are key influencers who help grow and transform opportunities to support mental health and expressive arts.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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