

Countdown Public Art Project: Community Guidelines

Countdown is a community-powered public art project focused on creative collective-action to end gender-based violence and create safer communities.

We enter this work knowing violence affects everyone. We come together to create artwork and contribute to a shared process in a welcoming and respectful space.

This is a structured creative workshop—it is not an open forum or therapy space.

How We Work Together

- **Facilitation & Flow**

Artist-facilitators guide the activities and offer prompts and examples. You're welcome to participate in whatever way feels right—there's no single way to contribute.

- **Make Space for Others**

Listen and allow space for others to speak without interrupting.

- **Speak from Your Experience**

You're welcome to speak from your own perspective using "I" statements.

- **Respect Boundaries**

Share only what feels comfortable. Be mindful of personal space and access needs. You can step away at any time.

- **Stay Open to the Process**

You're welcome to try something new or approach the activity in your own way.

A Note on Sharing

This is a creative space, not a place for detailed personal sharing about trauma or violence. Facilitators and active listeners are available for one-on-one support if needed.

Safety & Accountability

We are committed to a space where people can participate safely. Harassment, discrimination, or ongoing disruption won't be permitted, including:

- Targeting individuals or groups
- Intimidation or bullying
- Persistent disruption

Facilitators may step in to support the space, including asking someone to pause, step away, or leave.

Our Commitment

ReDefine Arts and partners will:

- Hold a respectful and welcoming environment
- Communicate clearly about the process
- Respond to issues as they arise

Shared Commitment

By taking part, you're agreeing to support a respectful workshop space.

We're here to create together. Thank you for being part of Countdown.