# So you want some tips on how to write an artist bio……

An artist biography (bio) is a short paragraph about the artist, their artistic accomplishments and career achievements and it often contains a line about the key themes of the artist work. Artists bios are not a replacement for an artist statement. A bio differs from an artist statement due to it's smaller size and that it's often written in prose. An artist statement talks about the artwork and the ideas and rational behind the work, where as artist bios talks specifically about the artists themselves. Artist bios are always written in the third person so never use the word I, always use pronouns such as he/she/they or use the artist's surname.

**Info to include in your artist bio**
- Artist name
- Where the artist lives and works
- The medium they work in
- A sentence or two on key themes in the artist work
- The artists exhibition history
- Art related education
- Additional interesting information which is relevant to artwork or of significant influence to the artist career
- Artist collaborations or arts collectives the artist is a part of

**Steps to writing your bio**
- The first step is to identify which details are the most important to include.
- The first sentence is a basic introduction, stating your name and the mediums which you work in. You should include where you live and where you were born.
- The next line should include where you studied, awards you've received or significant exhibitions that you have exhibited in. If you're a street artist, you can talk about locations that your work can be seen.
- Following this is a sentence or two on recent exhibitions or projects that you are currently working on and any interesting information significant you feel has a significant influence on your career.
- Finally mention any information on upcoming exhibitions, projects, collaborations, study plans or artist residencies programs you maybe about to embark on.
- Once the bio is written it is imperative that you proofread your biography and remember to keep it short and simple.