BCA**CALL** CREATING A LIVING LEGACY PROGRAM FOR VISUAL ARTISTS

FAQs

1. What is Creating A Living Legacy (CALL) and what does it mean?

Creating a Living Legacy (CALL) is a program of the Joan Mitchell Foundation that provides support to visual artists in creating, through organizing and inventorying, comprehensive documentation of their artworks and careers.

2. Who is eligible to participate in the program?

At this time, participation is by invitation only.

3. Who is Joan Mitchell and the Joan Mitchell Foundation?

Joan Mitchell (February 12, 1925 – October 30, 1992) was an abstract expressionist painter and printmaker. She was an essential member of the American abstract expressionist movement. She was one of the few female painters of her era to gain critical and public acclaim. Her paintings and edition prints can be seen in major museums and collections cross America and Europe.

The Joan Mitchell Foundation celebrates the legacy of Joan Mitchell and expands her vision to support the aspirations and development of diverse contemporary artists. We work to broaden the recognition of artists and their essential contributions to communities and society.

4. What is Bronx Council on the Arts' participation in this program?

BCA is one of four nationally-funded organizations partnering with the Joan Mitchell Foundation. BCA will provide training and education to art handlers and teaching artists called Legacy Specialists. Legacy Specialists provide advice and support to artists in creating and maintaining a system for documenting and archiving creative works.

5. What is a Legacy Specialist and what do they do?

"Legacy Specialists" are individuals trained to offer advice and support to elder visual artists around issues of archiving and documentation of artists' careers and creative works. A Legacy Specialist is trained to create and manage creative works inventories, images, reproductions, logistics and more using computer software and electronic/digital technologies. Legacy Specialists provide the knowledge and the skill sets required to optimize data organization, transfer, recording and retrieval.