

# Calling ALL Creatives



**GAIN** Business Skills  
**BUILD** Your Network  
**EXPLORE** Creative Careers  
**EXPERIENCE** Chicago's Art Scene

**20th Annual SEA Conference  
@ Columbia College Chicago  
February 22nd & 23rd, 2020**

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## Self-Employment in the Arts (SEA)

The Self-Employment in the Arts (SEA) conference has been helping emerging creatives succeed by providing attendees with the business skills, tools, and connections needed to succeed for the last 20 years. We started out as a small local conference and have expanded into a large two-day annual event in Chicago with over 50 presenters as well as our fall regional event with the Collegiate Entrepreneurs' Organization.

At the SEA Annual Conference, you'll have the opportunity to learn from creative professionals, have your portfolio or resume reviewed, ask lawyers and other professionals questions during open office hours, receive one on one mentoring, win money through the Juried College Art Competition or Pitch Competition for Creatives, network with peers from across the region, and so much more. To find additional programming and resources about our events, check out our social media platforms and our website, [www.SelfEmploymentInTheArts.com](http://www.SelfEmploymentInTheArts.com)

*"The SEA Conference was huge for me! I was about to graduate and took notes like a crazy person for two days! The SEA conference helped me become a pro in the artistic world."*

*- Caitlin Cavannaugh*

### 20th Annual Conference Highlights:

- Individual and Small Group Mentoring
- Hands-on Workshops geared around Tools for creatives
- Juried College Art Competition (\$800 minimum prize pool)
- Idea Pitch Competition for Creatives (\$2,500 minimum prize pool)
- Open Office Hours with industry professionals
- All areas of art represented: Visual, Performing, Literary, & Media
- Activities located in the heart of downtown Chicago
- Networking with attendees from across the country
- Portfolio, Headshot, and Resume Reviews

*"I enjoyed immensely. Extremely appreciative of the high-end event and information obtained for such an inexpensive cost."*

*- Survey Response*

*"I knew what I wanted to do before I attended the conference, but what I would credit SEA with would be opening my eyes to the very first steps about how to make my vision a reality. Instead of wandering aimlessly through a forest, I suddenly had paths to explore."*

*- Taylor McDarison*

