

## Explaining your definition of feminism, art and social change

d. Explain your understanding and practice of feminism, and the feminist nature of the proposed activities.

KFW recognizes **feminism** as a dynamic force for social change that varies across age, ethnicity, economic class, geography, sexuality, and other differences. For this reason, KFW does not promote a single definition of feminism but encourages grant applicants to describe their own understanding and practice of feminism.

This is your chance to think through your ideas, think about feminism in your own context and in your own life. The KFW board of directors has developed a statement on feminism that guides them, but KFW recognizes and encourages everyone to come up with their own understanding and practice of feminism.

*The KFW Board of Directors has adopted the following statement on feminism: Feminism is a conceptual framework based on a radical transformation of society and self. Feminism challenges socially and politically defined gender roles and fosters greater opportunity, choice, and independence. Feminism creates economic equality, a violence-free society, and racial and ethnic justice. Feminism is an evolving process, which requires courage and advocacy.*

Clearly think through and articulate what feminism means to you, and how it is influencing the activities you are proposing. This is your opportunity to explain your theoretical understanding of feminism and also how it manifests practically in your life, in your art, and how you engage with community members or individuals.

e. Explain your understanding of the relationship between art and social change.

In this section, you can discuss your vision of how feminist art can affect social change, how the activities you are proposing can affect social change, and the kind of social change you would like to see. This question is an opportunity for you to think through and explain how feminist art can create social change *in your own context*. Why do you want to inspire social change through your art, and why is art the best way to do it?