ArtsVote in Illinois

(Updated as of 7/17/22)

Ensure Your Vote is COUNTED on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022

CONFIRM

Pre-Requisites

- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Be at least 18 years of age by Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022
- Be a resident of Illinois and live in your precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day
- Not currently in prison for a convicted crime OR claiming the right to vote elsewhere

STEP 1

Register to Vote & Check Accuracy

Check the Accuracy of your current voter registration or Register to Vote for the first time online by Sunday, October 23, 2022 or download the Voter Registration Form for you to return by hand-delivery or POSTMARKED by mail to your local County Clerk/Election Authority by Tuesday, October 11, 2022. If you miss these registration deadlines, the only way you can register (and vote) is to go in-person to a Grace Period Registration Location in your home precinct beginning Wednesday, October 12, 2022 through Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022 from 6:00am to 7:00pm. Don’t delay, pledge to check the accuracy of your voter status or register to vote by Tuesday, September 20, 2022.

STEP 2

Request Your Vote-By-Mail Ballot (If Preferred)

In Illinois, voting with a Vote-By-Mail Ballot does not require an excuse, but you must apply for it because it will not be sent to you automatically. You must fill out and return your Vote-By-Mail Ballot application online or by mail so it is RECEIVED preferably by Saturday, October 15, 2022. Don’t delay, pledge to request your Vote-By-Mail Ballot by Tuesday, October 4, 2022.

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT: Cast your vote by mailing-in your completed and SIGNED Vote-By-Mail Ballot which must be POSTMARKED by Thursday, November 3, 2022 to your County Clerk/Election Authority so that it is RECEIVED by November 17, 2022, or dropped off in a secure Drop Box by Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022 at 7:00pm. (NOTE: If you’ve already received your Vote-By-Mail Ballot and prefer to vote in-person, you can surrender your ballot in exchange for voting live at the Early Voting or Election Day polling location.) Don’t delay, pledge to mail in your Vote-By-Mail Ballot by Tuesday, October 18, 2022.

- OR -

IN-PERSON VOTING: Cast your vote early in-person at your correct Polling Place Location. Early Voting begins as early as Thursday, September 29, 2022 through Monday, November 7, 2022 in most jurisdictions. Check with your local County Clerk/Election Authority for the locations, dates, and hours of each Early Voting site in your jurisdiction. If you choose to vote in-person on Election Day, polling hours take place between 6:00am to 7:00pm at your correct local precinct Polling Place Location. Always be sure to bring your government ID with you. Don’t delay, pledge to cast your vote in-person during Early Voting and avoid the Election Day crowds.

STEP 3

Cast Your Vote

Celebrate being an ArtsVote leader by posting a selfie of you mailing-in your ballot or wearing an "I Voted" sticker on social media. You can also share one of our Shepard Fairey “ArtsVote” images. Make sure to use #ArtsVote and tag @ArtsActionFund! Encourage your network to also take the pledge to make their vote count by learning the new voting rules and deadlines in their own states www.ArtsActionFund.org/Pledge.

For general election information, visit www.elections.il.gov/Default.aspx. For military and overseas voters, visit www.elections.il.gov/VotingAndRegistrationSystems/VotingByMailMove.aspx.