



DocSong Participation Agreement

Welcome to DocSong! We're excited to work with you to turn your story into a song. By signing this agreement, you're joining us as a participant in a collaborative songwriting project. Below, we've laid out the key points of our partnership.

What We Provide: DocSong will provide the necessary equipment, technology, and a skilled teaching artist to guide you through the songwriting process. The story you tell will be the foundation of the song you write.

Time Commitment: Writing a documentary song typically requires between 4-6 hours. We ask for your commitment to the entire process. We usually arrange 2-hour sessions at times that are most convenient for you.

What Will Happen To Your Song: Your song will be shared on DocSong's website and social media platforms as a part of the Music in Conversation project. You may choose whether to have your name associated with the song, or to remain anonymous. You, DocSong, and the teaching artist have permission to use the song for playing, performing, and sharing, including for promotion unless you choose to revoke this right by providing written notice within 30 days of signing this agreement.

When we create a song together, you and the teaching artist split the rights to the songs, each owning 50%. If DocSong chooses to invest in a professional recording of your song, DocSong holds the master recording rights to its recording. With permission from DocSong, you may also choose to professionally record your song with the understanding that you will credit DocSong in the sharing and promotion of your work.

Confidentiality: Your trust is important to us! Any personal stories or sensitive information you share that doesn't end up in the final song will remain confidential.

Liability and Indemnity: DocSong takes the safety and well-being of our participants seriously and is committed to providing a safe and supportive space for storytelling. We also recognize that the songwriting process may bring up difficult emotions. We partner with you as musicians and not as therapists. We care deeply about your story and are committed to honoring what you share. In signing this agreement, you understand that the teaching artist, Docsong, and its representatives are not certified therapists. Neither you, DocSong, nor the teaching artist will be liable for any emotional distress or indirect damages arising from this project. You agree not to hold DocSong or the teaching artist responsible for any losses or damages that might arise from your participation in this project, except in cases of material breach or misconduct.

Duration and Termination: This agreement is effective for five years from the date it's signed and will renew automatically unless terminated. You can terminate this agreement at any time, and the rights and obligations concerning ownership will still apply.

General Terms: This agreement constitutes the full understanding between you and DocSong, and supersedes all prior discussions. Any amendments must be made in writing and agreed upon by all parties. If any part of this agreement is held invalid, the rest remains in effect.

Media Release: We love sharing how songs are born! We request permission to film or photograph parts of our work together for others to see the process of documentary songwriting.

Please check all that apply. I give DocSong permission to:

- Share my song on DocSong's social media platforms
- Use my name in association with my song
 - First name only
 - First & last name
 - I prefer to remain anonymous
- Document my documentary songwriting session and share the following on DocSong's social media platforms
 - Video recordings
 - Images
 - Audio recordings

We hope this agreement clearly outlines our partnership. Please read it carefully and feel free to ask any questions before signing. We look forward to making music with you!

Signatures

Participant _____ Date _____
(or Authorized Representative if participant is under 18 year)

Teaching Artist _____ Date _____

Teaching Artist _____ Date _____

DocSong Authorized Representative _____ Date _____