

**Kristianna Smith**  
**Owner and Co-Founder, Via Arts, LLC.**

Kristianna Smith is a facilitator, theatre artist, educator, and owner of Via Arts LLC. She has spent the past decade using theatre-arts-based programming to reinvigorate social and racial equity efforts in communities and their organizations. It is Kristianna's belief that by centering marginalized voices we are more able to devise a world of true belonging.

In 2017, Kristianna was one of 24 creatives chosen from around the country as a National Arts Strategies Creative Community Fellow and in 2018 she was one of six women who received the Connecticut's Women's Education and Legal Fund "*The Future Is Now*" Award, honoring young women leadership in the state.