



BODY ART
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ATTENTION! Please STOP!
**Consumers of tattooing, cosmetic tattooing, body piercing, and
various forms of body modification.**

The Body Art Education Alliance (BAEA) supports the current guidelines issued by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) for preventing the spread and infection of COVID-19. Your health and well-being are of utmost importance and we do not support performing or receiving body art procedures during the pandemic.

Be aware:

- COVID-19 is a respiratory illness that can be spread through inhalation and contact.
- COVID-19 can be spread through inhalation of airborne droplets and even without symptoms an infected person can carry or spread COVID-19 for up to 14 days.
- COVID-19 can contaminate surfaces for various periods of time: Cardboard- 24 hours, Cloth- 2 days, Stainless steel- 3 days, Plastic- 3 days, Glass- 4 days, and Paper money- 4 days. Surfaces should be cleaned and sanitized between contact with different people.
- Body Art procedures cannot be safely performed within the CDC's recommendations for maintaining social distancing while avoiding person-to-person contact during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

We urge you not to take the risk and to stay home. Do not have body art procedures performed during the pandemic.

Please do not ask your artist to operate outside of their studio. Performing body art procedures from home is illegal in some states and counties; studios will be able to resume body art services when restrictions are lifted.

You are encouraged to continue supporting your artists by purchasing merchandise, gift certificates, or jewelry.

Remember that we are all in this together. By doing our part, we will help slow the spread of COVID-19.

Sincerely,
Body Art Education Alliance