

Applications for the Fall 2024 Artist-in-Residence Program are now open.

A four month residency at The Umbrella Arts Center in Concord, MA offering free studio space. Should the selected candidate wish to stay on, they may reapply in an open call for artists for the January - May session.

The Umbrella Arts Center in Concord, MA is proud to continue its Artist-in-Residence program for the 2024-2025 season. The Umbrella's Artist-in-Residence Fall program runs from September 1 - December 31 and offers a five month studio residency in a vibrant multidisciplinary art center with 50 artist studios, an independent ceramics classroom, makerspace, performance and gallery spaces in historic Concord, Massachusetts. Our Artists-in-Residence offers a free studio, exhibition and teaching opportunities. Applicants may be in any stage of their career and may work in any medium including painting, sculpture, installation, photography, textiles, digital media, film, mixed media, or public art. Interdisciplinary artists welcome! BIPOC and artists of all backgrounds and identities are encouraged to apply!

The Umbrella is particularly interested in artists who will:

- Use their residency as an opportunity to explore and experiment with ideas that speak to our times
- Foster internal and external interdisciplinary collaboration and partnerships
- Engage local and/or broader communities in providing inspiration, or participation in art experiences
- Provide opportunities and points of departure for panel discussions or experiential exchanges with colleagues doing related work.

Quick links to learn more about the program and our facility:

- About the program, including past Artists-in-Residence
- About The Umbrella

## Residency Award

For the duration of the residency, the selected artist is offered:

- Free access to a recently renovated studio space of approximately 220 square feet with a large south facing window, beautiful hardwood floors and tall ceilings, and thermostat-controlled heat and air conditioning.
- Opportunity to be involved in the activities and culture of a multi-disciplinary art center, including access to an independent ceramics studio and makerspace.
- Opportunity to teach a class or workshop.
- Opportunity to exhibit in The Umbrella's upstairs gallery, front lawn and/or alternate site in Concord for site-specific work

## Residency Requirements

We are looking for artists interested in active engagement with our studio artist community, in Concord and beyond. As part of the residency program, an accepted Artist-in-Residence is expected to:

- Make regular, active, and productive use of the studio space (min 20 hours per week) for the residency period of September 1, 2024 December 31, 2024.
- Present a body of work created during your residency for indoor and/or outdoor exhibition.

- Present a minimum of one public program of any format with the goal of engaging the community in your work.
- Participate in The Umbrella's Winter Market (Dec 6 8, 2024).
- Make efforts to attend monthly Artist Meetings and other formal and informal artist events throughout the year.
- Actively document and share your residency experience via social media, blog posts, videos, photographs, etc.
- Maintain communication with Umbrella staff and participation in program evaluations.
- Interest and experience in teaching is a plus.
- All applications will be reviewed by a jury of The Umbrella's staff and resident artists. The selected artist will be notified by July 19, 2024.

How To Apply

Deadline for applications is Monday, July 1, 2024.

Submit your application by clicking <u>here.</u>

The application will require the following materials:

- Letter of interest in working at The Umbrella Arts Center. Include your interest in working in Concord if you do site-specific work.
- Artist Statement
- Artist Portfolio
- Artist resume or curriculum vitae with contact information
- List of three references
- High-resolution JPEGs of 10-20 pieces of work created within the past two years
- Image list with dimensions, medium, and date

For inquiries for our 2024-2025 residency, please reach out to Stephanie Marlin-Curiel, Visual Arts Manager, at stephanie@theumbrellaarts.org with your questions or to set up a time to chat further. Thanks for your interest!