



THE UMBRELLASM

DISCOVER YOUR ARTS

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

5-month residency (January 8 – May 31) at The Umbrella Arts Center in Concord, MA offering free studio space and teaching opportunities.

The Umbrella Arts Center in Concord, MA is proud to continue its [Artist-in-Residence program](#) for the Winter and Spring of 2024. We are seeking visual artists with teaching experience, who may be working on a specific project and make regular use of a 220 square foot studio space in a vibrant multi-disciplinary arts center that houses an active community of artists in 50 artist studios, an independent ceramics classroom, makerspace, performance and gallery spaces in historic Concord, Massachusetts.

In addition to the free studio, the Artist-in-Residence will have teaching, exhibition, and artist talk opportunities.

Applicants must be 21 or older, and may work in any medium including painting, sculpture, installation, photography, clay, textiles, digital media, film, mixed media, or public art. Multidisciplinary 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 ideas that speak to our times.
- Make work of high quality that is experimental or innovative in their medium, or media.
- Foster internal and external interdisciplinary collaboration and partnerships.
- Teach classes in our education program.

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 private studio space of approximately 220 square feet with a large south facing window, hardwood floors and tall ceilings, and thermostat-controlled heat and air conditioning.
- Opportunity to be involved in a multi-disciplinary art center, including an independent ceramics studio, makerspace, classrooms, and theater.
- The opportunity to exhibit at The Umbrella, front lawn and/or alternate site in Concord for site-specific work. There will be an exhibition devoted to the work of Artists-in-Residence for the 2023-2024 season during the summer of 2024. Your work would be included even if you no longer occupy the studio.
- Opportunity to teach classes and workshops.

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 for the residency period of January 8 to May 31, 2024.
- Present a public program in any format presenting the work created during your residency.

- Participate in The Umbrella's Open Studios event (March 16 and 17) and open your studio to the public.
- Make efforts to attend monthly Artist Meetings and other formal and informal artist events.
- 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.

Please Note: If the studio is unused for a period of more than two weeks without cause and clearance from the Visual Arts Manager, the residency may be subject to termination.

All applications will be reviewed by a jury of The Umbrella's staff and resident artists. The selected artist will be notified by October 6, 2023.

How To Apply

Deadline for applications is September 18, 2023.

Submit your application by clicking [HERE](#).

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
- Bio
- 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
- Teaching experience and proposed classes

For inquiries for our fall 2023 residency, please contact stephanie@theumbrellaarts.org with your questions. Thanks for your interest!