

## **Ceramics Artist in Residence 2024-2025**

The Umbrella Arts Center, in Concord MA, seeks applicants for the Ceramics Artist Residency program. Active ceramic artists and educators looking to join a fully equipped ceramics program with a large and vibrant community are encouraged to apply.

Residency Dates: September 15th 2024- August 15th 2025

**Deadline for Applications:** July 1st 2024

Residency Award Announced: July 8th 2024

Apply to: Zachary@theumbrellaarts.org - PDF preferred

The selected resident artist will be an active part of The Umbrella's creative community of more than 50 artists, and will have opportunities to collaborate across the organization. The residency awards at least 80 square feet of private studio space as well as access to and use of the resources of the ceramic program (details below). Artists are invited to take advantage of this platform for experimentation, exploration and development of their practice within the greater Umbrella community. In addition to our ceramic resources, The Umbrella boasts a makerspace, performance and gallery spaces and numerous working professional artists in historic Concord, Massachusetts. Applicants are expected to be working primarily in ceramics, and are required

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to participate in the educational operations of the studio through teaching classes and or workshops.

The resident artist will benefit from a creative community of more than 50 artists in the iteration and innovation of their ideas.

Proposals will be judged based upon the body of work submitted, instructional experience, enthusiasm for engagement with our community, as well as general experience and quality of resumes.

## **Opportunities and Benefits:**

The Ceramics Artist Residency allots a materials and fee stipend of up to \$2000 for the year. This stipend may be applied to kiln firing fees, studio clay purchases, and glaze materials costs. Use of clay, materials, and scheduling of kilns are all at the discretion of the studio manager in consideration of the needs of the entire community.

The Ceramics Artist Residency will include the opportunity for instruction of full semester classes as well as the potential for additional workshops for qualified candidates. Instructional activities would be compensated at a competitive rate commensurate with a candidate's experience and in line with for our other instructional staff.

When appropriate, the Ceramics Artist Residency may offer public engagement talks, panels, tours, or participatory art opportunities and will

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have the opportunity to participate in the Winter Market Sale and Spring Open Studios event and the accompanying exhibition. Other opportunities to exhibit may be offered.

The Umbrella will support the position through publicity and marketing for the residency as well as any other educational offerings and exhibitions.

**Studio Resources:** The Umbrella Ceramics program is a thriving community studio supporting the work of ceramic artists from beginners to established professional artists. Our ceramic facilities include a large public workspace, full glaze lab, five electric and two gas kilns.

- 5 electric kilns (varying sizes)
- Bailey 30C reduction kiln
- Bailey 20C Soda kiln

The Ceramics Artist Residency will be allowed access to and use of all studio resources and tools, glaze laboratory and kilns under the supervision of and at the discretion of the Studio Manager.

**Note:** We reserve the right to re-organize the studio space throughout the year as deemed necessary.

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## **Applications should include:**

- Biography with a statement of why you want to join The Umbrella community.
- CV with 3 references
- At least 6-10 Images of work with at least 3 from the past two years.