



## **Artists-in-Residence Three-Year Program Application**

### **Introduction**

Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts (MHCA) Artists-in-Residence Programs provides a supportive atmosphere for artists in a collective setting.

The AIR program at Maryland Hall offers studio space, support in the form of basic marketing and featuring AIR artists and public events on the MD Hall website with links to individual artists sites. Twice per year open studio events are held where the public is invited into the studios spaces.

Opportunities offered to AIRs include participation in an annual AIR group exhibit of work done within the past year, a solo exhibit in the Martino Gallery once every 18-24 months, open studio days and educational program participation.

The program provides an opportunity to educate the public in the process of the creation of art through a diversity of forms.

Maryland Hall serves the Annapolis and Anne Arundel County community by providing a broad range of creative experiences through quality arts education and culturally diverse programs in the performing and visual arts. Based in Annapolis, Maryland Hall is a thriving, innovative home for artists of all kinds, and is supported by the dedication of the area's businesses, volunteers, visitors, students, community members, and educators. Our programs, including performances, classes, exhibitions and workshops are designed to educate, entertain and inspire.

Additionally, through Maryland Hall's partnership with the Bates Performing and Visual arts Magnet School (PVA), Artists-in-Residence are offered the opportunity to work directly with middle school students by providing after school workshops and short term residencies. Maryland Hall's education program encourages artists to submit proposals for projects that offer hands on experiences while providing students with an opportunity to work with professional artists.

### **Program Goals and Objectives:**

- To foster creativity by providing solitude and community through affordable, subsidized studio space, with mutual trust that the artist will use the opportunity to move their work forward.

- To provide time and space for investigation of ideas without pressure to achieve a result.
- To maintain and enhance the quality and diversity of the creative services offered by MHCA.
- To enrich and stimulate the community through activities offered by Artists-in-Residence such as workshops, demonstrations, open studio events throughout the year, lectures, exhibitions and performances.
- To encourage new audience to come to MHCA and participate in the arts.

### **Program Description:**

The AIR program consists of up to eight multidisciplinary artists, including at different times; performing (non-theatrical), visual and language arts. The rent of each AIR studio space is subsidized; therefore MHCA can offer studios to artists ranging from \$100 to \$250 per month depending on size. Building hours are Monday – Friday 8 am – 11 pm, Saturday 8 am – 5 pm. AIRs are encouraged to participate in annual Open Studios and regularly use the studio space to create original work. Studios are not to be used as office space.

### **Eligibility:**

Individual artists must create original work. Space 305 can accommodate artists residing within or outside of Maryland. Artists renting our three year term studios are required to be residing in Maryland. Students, commercial artists and non-profits arts groups are not eligible.

### **Selection Criteria and Process:**

Artists are reviewed by a panel of artists, art teachers and arts professionals from the region, and a representative from the staff, MHCA Board of Directors and/or a current AIR. The panelists are chosen for their expertise and impartial judgment in the types of art forms represented in the applicant pool.

### **Criteria:**

- 1- Quality of work and experience in the field. The quality of work submitted will be the first criteria judged by the review committee. This is based primarily on work samples and then other submitted materials.
- 2- Appropriateness of work type for the space.
- 3- Diversity of applicants: It is our mission to offer studio space to artists working in a variety of mediums and artistic activities.
- 4- Commitment to use of the studio: It is hoped that each artist will contribute to the general community and artistic spirit at Maryland Hall. Affordable studio space is scarce in the Annapolis area. While the program operates on the honor system, if an AIR should find that they are not able to use their studio due to life changes, etc., we request this be addressed with the Maryland Hall staff.

We recommend that artists use their studio a minimum of 15- 20 hours per week. Please keep in mind that others are waiting for space to become available in order to pursue their work.

**Follow these steps to apply:**

Step one: Read about the program, eligibility requirements and selection process.

Step two: Submit application below online with supporting materials.

Residency Length: One three-year term with one year renewable.

Application Procedure: Please submit the following materials:

1. Completed application form (included as a fillable pdf form).

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2. Resume.
3. Artist statement.
4. Letter of intent. This should address what you hope to achieve through your residency, in terms of creative and professional development.
5. References. Contact information from two art professionals, scholars, or accomplished artists who can attest to your artistic commitment, initiative, and potential.

**Visual art 2-D or 3-D**

Please provide 3-4 high-resolution jpeg images (resolution of 300 dpi) of representative work for publicity purposes. Images must be saved as an attachment to the email and labeled as follows:

**Fiction Writer/Playwright/Poet/Screenwriter**

Please submit three relevant and representative samples, no more than 3,000 words in length. Poets may submit up to 5 works, if they follow the length requirement above

**Composer/Inter-Disciplinary/Film/Video**

Video: Digital files accepted.

Up to 2 sample cued to 5 minutes segments.

Narrative: Brief narrative description.

**Submit materials to Emily Kohlenstein at [ekohlenstein@mdhallarts.org](mailto:ekohlenstein@mdhallarts.org).**



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Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Contact information:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City / ST / Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Web Site \_\_\_\_\_

Current Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

### **Application Type:**

\_\_\_ Studio 305. Artist-in-Residence short-term studio rentals up to 12 months. Deadline ongoing.

\_\_\_ Artist-in-Residence Three-Year Program. Applications are reviewed as existing residencies end.

**Discipline:** Select one or more. Please indicate your primary medium.

\_\_\_ Painting

\_\_\_ Printmaking

\_\_\_ Sculpture

\_\_\_ Installation

\_\_\_ Environmental Works

\_\_\_ Photography

\_\_\_ Fiber Artist

\_\_\_ Writer

\_\_\_ Media (please describe)

\_\_\_ Interdisciplinary

\_\_\_ Other Visual Arts (please describe)

\_\_\_ Performing Arts (please describe)

**Send application and attachments to Exhibitions Coordinator, Emily Kohlenstein at [ekohlenstein@mdhallarts.org](mailto:ekohlenstein@mdhallarts.org).**

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