



Paris Gibson Square
MUSEUM OF ART



2017/18 Artist in Residence Program: Call for Applications (June 26th, 2017 Deadline)

Overview

The Artist in Residence Program is ideal for the emerging, mid-career or professional artist. Self-directed artists in any discipline will enjoy a large private studio while sharing their knowledge in the K-12 system. The program is a collaboration between Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art and Great Falls Public Schools to enhance the creative, intellectual and personal growth of both the resident and students served.

The Studio

- Located at Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art
- Large private studio
- 24 hour studio access
- Elevator access for materials

On-Site Equipment

- **2D Arts:** Printing Press | Easels | Basic Paper Marbling & Printmaking Tools
- **Ceramics:** 10 electric potter's wheels | 1 Randall Kick Wheel | 2 table top Amaco Potter's Wheels | Slab Roller | Clay Extruder
- **Kilns:** Cone 10 Downdraft Gas Kiln (40 cu. ft.) | 2 Large Electric Kilns | 1 Test Kiln (ceramics & glass friendly) | Front- Loading Raku Kiln (10 cu. ft) | Minnesota Flat-Top Wood/ Salt/ Soda Kiln (30 cu.ft.) | Amaco Copper Enameling Kiln
- **Other:** 2D/ 3D Portfolio Photography Station | Basic Wood Shop

Materials

- Residents are responsible for all expenses related to their body of artistic work. Work exchange options available.

Public School Teaching & Stipend

- One week will be spent with each of the 14 Great Falls Public Schools Art Teachers to design and successfully implement a lesson in the medium of choice.
- Artists will work with elementary, middle, and high school student levels.
- \$4,800 stipend will be awarded for public school teaching, exhibit installation, exhibit deinstallation and museum requirements.

Museum Opportunities & Requirements

- Teaching opportunities at Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art at an additional stipend.
- Opportunities to facilitate community outreach programs such as lectures, workshops and exhibitions in conjunction with both Museum and Public School staff.
- Service to the organization is required. Residents will staff all museum events during their contract period.

Residency Time Frame

- Studio Access: October 1st 2017 – June 30th 2018
- Public School Teaching: October 2017 – May 2018 (dates and times TBD)

Solo Exhibition

- The Artist in Residence will be awarded an exhibition at Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art.
- Opening reception and exhibition dates TBD.

Housing & Personal Expenses

- Residents are ultimately responsible for housing during their contracted time. Paris Gibson Square and GFPS will make every effort to assist the resident in finding affordable housing.
- Residents are responsible for all travel and personal expenses.

Education and Work Requirements

- Minimum BA in Art, Art Education, Related Field or Professional Equivalent. Recent MFA graduates encouraged to apply.
- Artist must possess a Montana State Independent Contractor Exemption Certificate or have proof of exemption for workers compensation or an alternate workers compensation program.
- Artists must be able to pass a Federal Background Check (FBI Clearance) prior to date of hire.



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To Apply

- Send the below materials in an envelope via mail (see instructions below)
- A CD or DVD following the guidelines below. Include a self addressed stamped envelope (for return of your CD/ DVD if applicable).

CD/ DVD Guidelines

- A cover letter explaining interest in the residency, including media-specific experience.
- Current Resume or CV with full contact information. PDF only
- A list of 3 references who can speak on your behalf (full name/ position title/ organization/ phone number/ relationship)
- 1- week sample lesson for each of the following: (a) K–2nd Grade; (b) 5th – 6th Grade &; (c) 10th – 12th Grade. Lessons can be as simple as 2 paragraphs each. PDF only.
- 15 samples of work from the past 2 years. Please include a PDF document indicating the title, media, dimensions and year of each piece represented.
- Samples of student work (if available).
- **All documents on your CD must be stored in a folder labeled with your full name and year (ex. John Doe 2017).**

Mailing Instructions

- Send all materials in one envelope to:

**Paris Gibson Square Museum of Art
2017/18 Artist in Residence Search
c/o Tracy Houck, Executive Director
1400 First Ave North
Great Falls, Montana, 59401**

Application/ Acceptance Timeline

- **Application Deadline:** June 26th, 2017
- **Notification of Acceptance:** July, 2017