

2024 Studio Residency Program

The Oolite Arts' Studio Residency Program provides artists with the time, space and resources to reach new levels of excellence. Oolite Arts Studio Residents receive free studio space at the organization's headquarters on Miami Beach, in addition to critical connections with arts leaders, exhibition opportunities and financial resources that can lead to career-changing opportunities, and a community where artists can learn from each other and experiment with new work.

Starting in 2024, Studio Residents who have lived in Miami-Dade County for at least two years will also receive the **Knight Artist Housing Stipend**, a \$12,000-a-year stipend to ease the impact of the region's affordability crisis, thanks to support from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

Studio Residency Program Benefits

- Free studio space on Miami Beach with 24-hour access
- Knight Artist Housing Stipend: \$12,000-a-year housing stipend for Miami-Dade residents
- Use of Oolite facilities including a flex lounge, Printshop, and large format inkjet printer
- Opportunity to engage with local, national and international curators, artists, as well as participate in studio visits, exhibitions, public programs, and community outreach initiatives
- Additional alumni opportunities at the completion of the program

NOT INCLUDED

Oolite Arts Studio Residency Program does not cover travel, or visa costs.

Selection Process

Oolite Arts staff reviews applications to ensure completion and eligibility. Submissions are reviewed by a 5-member jury of curators and arts professionals. The jury evaluates each candidate and selects finalists.



Eligibility and Requirements

Please apply only if you are a practicing artist who:

- Is in need of space and time to develop their practices and are committed to actively engage in Oolite Arts programming.
- Is able to commit to working in their studio 12-15 hours per week.
- Has the ability to commit to participating in exhibitions, public programming, studio visits, and our community outreach initiatives.
- Is seeking to engage in Miami's artist community and take advantage of Miami's cultural offerings.

What You Need to Apply

- 1. Full contact information
- 2. A short statement of intent addressing why you want to join Oolite Arts' Studio Residency Program and what you hope to accomplish over the course of one year (max 500 words)
- 3. A brief description of your practice/research (max 150 words)
- 4. CV or resume
- 5. Up to 10 images, 10 pages of written material or 10 video links of recent work
- 6. Three references (Please provide the name, email address, telephone number and address of three references who know you on a professional level and can comment on your recent work and artistic development)

Application Deadline: 08/16/2023 (6:00 PM ET)

Studio Residency Period: Jan. 15, 2024 – Dec. 13, 2024, contingent upon resident compliance with residency guidelines in the first year and with the possibility of extending into a second full-year term.

Termination in the Event of Sale: Oolite may elect to terminate this Agreement as a result of the sale of the building in which the Premises are located. In the event of a sale, Oolite shall give the Resident Artist written notice of the same at least sixty (60) days prior to the anticipated closing date. Such notice shall simultaneously serve as a termination notice for the Resident Artist's Term. In the event of such a sale and subsequent early termination, Oolite agrees to supply the Resident Artist with \$1,000 for confirmed Knight Artist Housing Stipend (if Resident Artist is



receiving said stipend and meets the requirements to continue to receive the stipend) plus \$1,500 per month for each remaining month of the Resident Artist's Term. If the early termination should occur on any day other than the last day of any particular calendar month, the stipend shall be calculated on a pro rata basis for the partial month at issue.

Contact: Catalina Aguayo at 305-674-8278 ext. 315 or via email at residencies@oolitearts.org

FAQs

If you have questions, please read these frequently asked questions before calling our office.

FAQs

Questions regarding the Studio Residency Program and Eligibility:

Q: How long is the Studio Residency?

A: The Studio residency program runs from January until December of each year. At the end of the first term artists may be invited to extend their residency one additional year; the maximum residency length is two years.

Q: Do you accept artists from other states and other countries?

A: Yes, we accept artists from throughout the United States and all other countries. However, we do not provide housing.

Q: Do you provide visas for international artists?

A: Oolite Arts does not provide visas nor immigration advice. However, we will provide international artists with an official letter of invitation that may be used to obtain a visa or other necessary documents.

Q: I have applied for a studio at Oolite Arts before, do I need to apply again?

A: Yes.



Q: Will having had a studio at Oolite Arts in the past help or hinder my chances of being selected?

A: No.

Q: I am a current resident artist approaching the end of my term, may I reapply?

A: You must wait three years after your residency term has ended before you reapply

Q: I work with another artist as a collaborative team or artist collective. Do we need to apply separately?

A: No, a collaborative team may apply together and show their collaborative practice. If you wish to be considered as an individual artist separate from your collaborative work, then individual work should be submitted.

Q: What if I am accepted, but I cannot move in right away?

A: The program will run from January 15, 2024 to December 13, 2024. Once accepted, all applicants will be expected to move in on January 8, 2024.

Q: When will I be notified of acceptance/rejection?

A: After all applications are received they will be reviewed by a selection committee. We expect to notify applicants by mid-November 2023.

Knight Artists Housing Stipend FAQs:

Q: Who is eligible for the Knight Artist Housing Stipend?

A: All artists awarded the Studio Residency for 2024 are eligible, as long as they can prove they have been a Miami-Dade resident for the past two years.

Q: What documents do I need to submit to be eligible for the Knight Artist Housing Stipend?

A: Studio Residents will need to provide two of the following documents: A mortgage statement, rent receipt, water and/or energy bills.



Q: I am an artist who is coming back to Miami and has always had an address in Miami. Do I qualify for the Knight Artist Housing Stipend?

- You will if you can show proof of two consecutive years as a Miami-Dade County resident.

Q: Will the funds from the Knight Artist Housing stipend be taxable?

- While we will provide people with proof of receipt, we are unable to advise them on their personal tax situation. They will need to discuss it with their own tax advisors.

Q: What if I don't have proof of Miami-Dade residency documents because I share my living space with someone else, whose name is used in all the bills?

- You can show us mail that has been delivered to your address, a letter from the main person whose name is being used stating you pay a certain amount for rent and bills in addition to a bank statement showing you are making monthly payments to this person.

Q: How is the Knight Artist Housing Stipend going to be distributed?

- We will mail your checks to your preferred address on a monthly basis.

Questions regarding the Application and Work Samples:

Q: What materials do I need to apply?

To apply to the Studio Residency Program, you will need:

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Q: I don't have an account with Submittable.com. Can I still apply for a Studio Residency?

A: You will need an account with submittable.com. It is free, so please create one if you intend to apply.

Q: I am having trouble with Submittable.com. Where can I get help?

A: **Submittable.com** has an extensive Help Section. You can link to it here: http://help.submittable.com

Q: Can I drop off my application at Oolite Arts in person?

A: No. If you have no access to the Internet, then you should call our office, 305-674-8278.

Q: I have read through the FAQs and the application and I still have some questions before applying. May I call the office to see if I can have my questions answered?

A: Yes, of course. We are happy to answer any other questions that you may have. You can reach Catalina Aguayo, Programs Coordinator at 305-674-8278 ext. 315.

Q: I am having issues uploading files. What should I do?

A: **Submittable.com** has a great webpage that can walk you through file upload process: http://help.submittable.com/knowledgebase/articles/931875-i-m-having-trouble-attaching-upload ing-file-s-o

Q: My work is more suitably presented in video or audio format; can I upload a video or audio file instead?

A: While you can't upload the files themselves, you can provide us with a link to a site where we can view or listen to your video or audio files (e.g.: YouTube, SoundCloud, Vimeo, etc.).

Q: Can I bring my work to the office or gallery for review?

A: No.