

Artist in Residence

Policy

MAWA offers its loft-style apartment to women and non-binary visual artists for residencies of varying durations. Artists can use this space and time for research, reflection, networking and/or production. MAWA hopes to increase dialogue between our geographical community—Winnipeg—and the art world beyond; to create networking opportunities for artists; and to provide an oasis in which artists can do whatever they need to do in order to move their practices forward.

All resident artists must sign a contract with MAWA regarding apartment use (see attached).

Procedures

MAWA will provide free accommodation for the resident artist. While at MAWA, the artist may be asked to present their work in some public forum (a screening, talk, performance, showcase of work-in-progress, etc.) in exchange for an artist fee.

MAWA's apartment is a clean space that is not conducive for painting and many forms of sculpture. However, MAWA staff may work with an artist and other Winnipeg art centres to secure access to other facilities and resources as needed. These can include a rough studio; printmaking, video and darkroom facilities; and/or introductions to likeminded artists and curators.

Use of the apartment is determined by an application process, adjudicated by MAWA staff and up to 3 members of the Programming Committee, the Board of Directors and/or the community at large; or through an agreement with partnering organizations. Note: Under special circumstances, a resident artist is selected through other means. Artists at all stages of their careers are encouraged to apply. Equal consideration is given to emerging and established artists. Rural Manitoba artists are especially encouraged to apply.

Applications must consist of a single PDF document, labeled with the applicant's name. The PDF should include:

- a cover letter saying why the artist would like time in the MAWA apartment (goals, rationale)
- first choice of preferred dates; second choice of preferred dates (including start and end dates)
- an artist's C.V.
- up to two web links to videos (total viewing time no more than 5 minutes)
- up to 15 images along with image information (title, media, dimensions, date)

