

AMINAH BRENDA LYNN ROBINSON ARTIST RESIDENCY

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Purpose

The Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Artist Residency (Aminah Artist Residency) celebrates the legacy of the late Columbus artist and provides a U.S. based African American visual artist a 90-day residency in the Columbus, Ohio home of the late Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson.

Description

The Greater Columbus Arts Council, in partnership with the Columbus Museum of Art, offers a 90-day artist residency for a U.S.-based professional African American visual artist. The residency is intended to provide an artist with the gift of time to develop a work in progress and connect to resources related to the work of MacArthur Fellow Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson.

Award Details

In 2022, the residency will include a \$15,000 unrestricted award and the honor of staying and working in Aminah's home. Lodging and studio access is provided as part of the residency. Community outreach activities (facilitated by Columbus Museum of Art staff) are required and artists will have the opportunity for a public presentation and/or exhibition.

Who is eligible to apply?

Applicants to the Aminah Artist Residency must:

- Identify as African American;
- Be a permanent resident of the United States;
- Be a professional visual artist (age 18 and older);
 - Definition: individuals who devote a significant portion of their time to the creation of personal artwork. The professional artist likely sells their artwork or shares their independent body of work with the public on a regular basis. Individuals working in a creative industry primarily producing commercial work are not eligible.
 - Collaborative applications are NOT accepted. Each artist must apply individually.
- Produce work in any of the following media:
 - visual arts (painting, 3D and 2D, wood carving, sculpture and fiber – with a focus on found objects, natural and synthetic materials). Video, Film and Digital Installations are not eligible.
- Produce works deeply rooted in storytelling, cultural traditions and heritage;
- Are NOT enrolled as degree-seeking undergraduate students.

NOTE: Residents of Central Ohio are eligible to apply, however recipients of the local Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Fellowship are not eligible. Likewise, if a local artist is selected for the Aminah Artist Residency, they will be prohibited from applying for the Aminah Fellowship in future years.

What is the application fee?

The application fee is \$15 and payable via debit/credit card in the application, under the “Certification and Payment” tab. You will not be able to submit the application until you have completed the payment.

How often can I apply?

An artist may be selected for the Aminah Artist Residency only once. If an artist applies and is not selected, they may apply again the following year.

Application Opens	March 15, 2022
Application Due	April 29, 2022 at 5:00pm
Applicants Notified	May 31, 2022
Residency Begins	September 1, 2022
Residency Ends	November 30, 2022
Final Report Due	December 30, 2022

What are the application questions?

- Why are you interested in the Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Artist Residency?
- Why should you be selected for this residency? How does your work or technique align with Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson’s principles or style?
- What would you hope to discover, share or produce during the residency?

What are the required Supplemental Materials (uploads)?

All support materials must be uploaded digitally to the GoArts system.

- Artistic bio or resume (PDF only)
- 3-5 work samples
- Link to website, if applicable

AFTER SUBMITTING – NEXT STEPS

Review and selection

Aminah Artist Residency applications are reviewed by a jury that will include representatives from the Shepard /or Poindexter neighborhoods where Aminah lived, the Columbus Museum of Art, the Arts Council, and esteemed artists or curators from across the country.

The selection jury will review the applicant’s artistic excellence and technical proficiency, innovative use of medium, and use of storytelling and connection to cultural traditions and heritage. The selection jury will also consider the applicant’s connection to the aesthetic and spirit of Aminah Robinson.

Notification

Following a consensus selection from the residency selection jury, applicants will be notified by email of the determination.

AFTER YOU ARE AWARDED

Grant Agreement

Following the selection as the recipient of the Aminah Artist Residency, a grant agreement specifying the terms of the residency will be available in GoArts under the “Requires Attention” heading. To accept the award, review the grant agreement and digitally sign by the date indicated. There will be no changes in the terms or residency timeline without prior written approval from the Arts Council and Columbus Museum of Art, jointly.

Residency Expectations

Recipient of the Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Artist Residency should be actively creating artwork during their 90 days and is required to participate in three community outreach opportunities with groups approved by the Columbus Museum of Art and Arts Council. There is also an option for an exhibit or public presentation, if desired and possible.

Publicity/Donor Acknowledgement

Once you are awarded, say “Thanks!” in a public way. The Arts Council requires that all artists receiving funding demonstrate the public value of the arts by making others aware of awards received and acknowledging public funders. Refer to the Residencies: Publicity/Donor Acknowledgement pages at the end of this document for details of the contractual publicity requirements.

Payment

Recipient of the Aminah Brenda Lynn Robinson Artist Residency will receive 25% of their award following the receipt of a digitally signed grant agreement, the remaining 75% upon arrival in Columbus.

Final Report

A Final Report is due 30 days after the end of the residency. To complete your Final Report, login to GoArts, scroll down to “Requires Attention” and click on the “Reports” tab.

AMINAH: PUBLICITY/DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Arts Council requires that all artists receiving funding demonstrate the public value of the arts by acknowledging support from the Greater Columbus Arts Council and the Columbus Museum of Art. Failure to credit the Arts Council for awards may jeopardize future partnerships.

General Guidelines

This residency is offered in partnership with the Columbus Museum of Art. Please recognize both Greater Columbus Arts Council and Columbus Museum of Art on all related materials. On first reference in text, please refer as the “Greater Columbus Arts Council” and “Columbus Museum of Art”. On second reference, use of Arts Council and CMA is acceptable.

Residency Recipients should use the public channels available to them, such as social media and press releases to recognize support from the Arts Council and CMA. Additionally, residency recipients should credit the Arts Council and CMA for all events associated with the residency activities utilizing website pages, social media posts and events, print materials, artist talks and on-site signage.

Do NOT use the acronym GCAC
Please refer to us as the Greater Columbus Arts Council

Social Media

#artmakescbus
#gcacgrants
#mycma

Awardees should acknowledge their award via social media channels at the time of award notification. Like and tag the Greater Columbus Arts Council and Columbus Makes Art pages on Facebook, use @GCAC_Cbus on Twitter and/or include hashtags #gcacgrants and #artmakescbus on Instagram. Like and tag @columbusmuseum on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter. Facebook events should also contain recognition.

Visual Acknowledgement

When appropriate, please use Arts Council and CMA complete logos on signage wherever possible. The Arts Council logo includes the graphic representation of GCAC **AND** the words “Greater Columbus Arts Council.” Both elements are required anywhere the logo is included. At minimum, include a text reference to “Greater Columbus Arts Council” and “Columbus Museum of Art” on signage.

- Download logos online at <https://www.gcac.org/about/gcac-logos/>. To request a copy of the Columbus Museum of Art logo, please email amber.wacker@cmaohio.org.
- Include the Arts Council and CMA website links: www.gcac.org and www.columbusmuseum.org on your website or event page.

Questions?

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