

Artspace Opens Applications for Expanded Two-Year Studio Program



This year, Artspace will offer **five two-year residencies**, and **four one-year residencies** beginning from June 2025 to support the creative and professional development of artists at all stages of their careers, from emerging to established, and practicing across all mediums.

Applications are now open for the Artspace Studio Program.

Artspace’s Interim Executive Director Michelle Newton said:

‘We are thrilled to be able to offer two-year studio residencies from June 2025. With this new development, Artspace moves beyond simply providing rent-free spaces for artists, and towards the creation of a program for deepened reflection, critical feedback, sustained curatorial advocacy and visibility within the Australian and international arts sector. This will enable artists a sustainable practice into the future.’

As part of the expanded residencies, Artspace will offer increased scholarship and mentoring, including a set of structured programs to accompany the rent-free working spaces and a dedicated curator. The 1+1 residency model (two years with a renewal process after 12 months) and staggered cohort entries (with intakes of five one-year studio residencies each year from June 2026 onwards) will encourage risk, experimentation, and the continual dynamic exchange of ideas between artists.

During their residency, each artist will receive:

- A flexible, rent-free light-filled studio space of approximately 45 sqm with wifi, air conditioning, internal sink and large work desk
- 24/7 studio access
- Opportunities to participate in Artspace's Open Studios, public programs, and outreach initiatives
- Curatorial advocacy including introductions to local and international curators through Artspace's peer network
- A location in the heart of Sydney, close to peer organisations including the Art Gallery of New South Wales, Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Firstdraft, National Art School and UNSW Art & Design
- Access to Artspace's Multipurpose Space and the Franco Belgiorno-Nettis Archive to support research and new work in development

Applications will be assessed by a selection panel that includes all members of the Artspace team, Board artist representatives, and one external panel member from a peer institution. The successful artists will be notified and announced in early May

Applications are now open via Artspace's website <https://artspace.org.au/studios> and close on **Wednesday 2 April 2025, 11.59pm AEDT**. Download and read the [Application Guidelines](#) before proceeding to the Application Form. Please direct all enquiries to studios@artspace.org.au. Find the [Application Form here](#).

Register for an [online information session](#) on 18 Mar 2025, 2pm AEDT.

Artspace Studio Program Key Dates

Applications open	Thursday 6 March 2025
Online information session	Tuesday 18 March 2025, 2pm
Applications close	Wednesday 2 April 2025, 11.59pm
Applicants notified	Early May 2025

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