



**HOWARD COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL**

# The Long Reach Artist Studio Program Space Available

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**Request for Applications**  
*Applications are due May 15, 2024*

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The Howard County Arts Council (HCAC) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to serve the citizens of Howard County by fostering the arts, artists, and arts organizations. To fulfill its mission, HCAC offers a wide variety of programs and opportunities - grants to local and regional arts and cultural groups; exhibits; affordable studio, performance and meeting space for artists; classes for children and adults; a quarterly newsletter; arts advocacy and awareness initiatives; and others that are essential to artistic development in Howard County. HCAC manages two spaces: the Howard County Center for the Arts, a 32,000 sq. ft. multi-disciplinary art center that provides opportunities in the arts for people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities and features two professional galleries, a 100-seat black box performance space, meeting and classrooms, a dance studio, individual artists' studios, and administrative offices; and the Long Reach Village Center Artist Studios, which offer small, private studio spaces to artists of multiple disciplines.



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## HOWARD COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL THE LONG REACH ARTIST STUDIO PROGRAM SELECTION

The Howard County Arts Council is seeking applications from artists for one artist studio space at Long Reach Village Center. The available studio is 76 square feet and rents for \$67/month. Please contact [deputydirector@hocoarts.org](mailto:deputydirector@hocoarts.org) to tour the Artist Studios.

**The deadline to apply is 11:59 PM, Wednesday, May 15, 2024.**

The Long Reach Artist Studio Program hosts studio space for artists representing a variety of disciplines. Artists have 24-hour access, easy access to water, and a night security guard on the premises. Heat & utilities are included. Studio furniture is not included. The studios are located on the second floor of the Long Reach Office Suites. There is no elevator on the premises.

### **The Long Reach Artist Studio Program Objectives**

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To provide individual artists with a space in which they may pursue the production of fine arts. The fine arts include traditional and emerging art forms within, but not limited to, the visual arts, performing arts, and literary arts.

To support a diverse community of artists working in a variety of fine arts media and disciplines.

### **Benefits**

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General benefits include: private and semi-private studios (shared entry access), 24-hour access to designated studio, physical mailing address, affordable monthly rental rate, and prime location as a part of Howard County's Long Reach Rising Revitalization Project.

Studio Artists may also have an opportunity to showcase their work in pop-up galleries and other special events on the premises.

### **Eligibility**

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The Studio Program is open to practicing artists who demonstrate a central commitment to the production or performance of fine arts. Emerging Artists are also encouraged to apply.

HCAC Board of Directors, full-time staff, HCAC Center Committee, and their immediate family are ineligible to apply.

### **Application**

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To apply for consideration as a Studio Artist visit [hocoarts.org/LR-artist-studios](https://hocoarts.org/LR-artist-studios).

Applications must include the following attachments:

- **Letter of Intent**  
In one page or less, provide a brief description of your work or project to be completed while in residence, your career direction, and why you should be awarded an Artist Studio at Long Reach Village Center.
- **Up-to-date Resume**  
Three pages or less, listing education, background, exhibitions, awards, and/or publications.
- **Artist Statement**  
In one page or less, concisely describe your creative work, process, technique, and

conceptual development.

- **Three Letters of Recommendation**

Include references with the ability to speak to your character, responsibility, and contribution to community.

- **Up to 20 Images Created within the Last Two Years that represent your work:**

- Include at least one video recording if applying for performance art or video work.
- Videos must not exceed five minutes in duration.
- Image List

If available, include examples of printed materials such as articles, brochures, programs, and reviews.

## **Requirements**

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To hold a studio space at the Village Center, artists must, at a minimum, submit to the following:

- Artists must use their studios a minimum of eight hours per week (annual average). Those eight hours must be used for the development and production of their art and not for other unrelated employment or activities. Teaching in the Long Reach Artist Studios is not permitted.
- Artists must pay the studio rent within five working days of the first of each month.
- Artists must maintain a \$2,000,000 general liability insurance policy for their studio as well as coverage for the contents of their studio.
- Artists must maintain a safe working environment in their studios. No hazardous materials may be used in The Long Reach Artist Studios. Artists must provide (and keep current) a list of materials they plan to use in their studios. Furthermore, they are expected to practice a “good neighbor” policy, being mindful of both materials and sounds that might disrupt the health and safety of the Village Center community.
- Artists must maintain annual membership with HCAC.
- Any changes to the studio must be approved by the HCAC Center Committee and artists must return the studio to its original condition when vacating.

## **Selection**

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Applicants will be evaluated based on their artistic discipline, artistic merit and commitment, as well as the appropriateness of their activities for the available space. In cases where all other elements of candidates’ qualifications are deemed of equal value, Long Reach residents and Howard County artists will be given priority.

## **Access**

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The following are policies regarding building access:

- Individual artists will receive one key fob for the building’s main door, and one key for their studio.
- 24-hour access is allowed for the artist only; guests may visit the studio when security guards are posted on the premises. Exact times may change.
- No pets are allowed on the premises.

## **Lease**

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Studio Artists will be granted a one-year term. At the end of the term, the artist will be evaluated and may reapply to extend their lease through one-year renewable terms or until the termination of HCAC’s Master Lease, whichever expires first.

## **Agreement**

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This request is intended to give a broad outline of the studio program. Final details will be negotiated after an artist is selected.

Selection decisions are final. HCAC reserves the right to extend the application period at its sole discretion.

## **Application**

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Complete applications will be forwarded to the selection panel for consideration.

**All application materials must be submitted online. Faxed emailed, mailed or hand-delivered applications will not be accepted.**

**Apply online by May 15, 2024 at:**

[hocoarts.org/LR-artist-studios](https://hocoarts.org/LR-artist-studios)

**Email questions to:**

deputydirector@hocoarts.org