

The Studios at MASS MoCA Residency Program

Residencies for January – June 2027

WEBSITE: <https://massmoca.org/studios/>

UNIVERSITY FELLOWSHIP: <https://massmoca.org/studios/applying-financial-aid/>

APPLICATION: <https://massmocastudios.submittable.com/submit>

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application Deadline: Friday, May 1, 2026, 11:59 PM ET

Application opens: March

Awards are announced: Up to three months after the deadline

Residency takes place: Between January and June 2027 – two or four week residencies

DESCRIPTION

The Studios at MASS MoCA Residency Program, located in North Adams, Massachusetts, and the RISD Career Center partner for a University Fellowship to share the costs of the residency program for up to two graduating RISD students. Students will be selected by MASS MoCA for a 2-week residency or 4-week residency that takes places between January and June 2027. This funding will cover the costs of the residency, which includes private furnished studio space on the MASS MoCA campus, housing across from the museum, and a daily communal meal with fellow residents. The residency program includes: MASS MoCA member benefits for three months, 1-year access to financial and business workshops through MASS MoCA's Assets for Artists Program, opportunities to network with peers in the program, and an optional studio visit with a curator.

MASS MoCA's mission is to marshal resources and strategies for creatives to pursue self-determined careers by advocating for artists' needs, redistributing resources directly to artists, and creating opportunities for artists to be in community, engage in peer-learning, and obtain tools for navigating the challenges of our current economic system while simultaneously shaping a more equitable one.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants – currently enrolled undergraduates and graduates – must be graduating June 2026 and therefore alumni during the residency.
- Applicants can be of any major.
- Applicants of any citizenship are eligible.
- Applicants must be at least 21 years of age at the start of the program.

APPLICATION PROCESS & COMPONENTS

- Apply online directly to MASS MoCA's Residency Program by the deadline.
 - To apply, fill out the general application and check the box for the appropriate University Fellowship to indicate your eligibility for the University-sponsored fellowship that makes it free to attend. <https://massmocastudios.submittable.com/submit>
- If you are selected by MASS MoCA, MASS MoCA will notify the RISD Career Center.

RISD CONTACT

For Questions about MASS MoCA and the Application:

Contact MASS MoCA at studios@massmoca.org

General Questions and Advice:

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