

CALL FOR ARTISTS

2027
ARTIST
IN RESIDENCE
 ROOTED & RISING



Time.
 Space.
 Community.
 Impact.

The Community Folk Art Center (CFAC) invites artists to apply for the **2027 Artist in Residence** program, **Rooted & Rising**, made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA).

Rooted & Rising supports four multidisciplinary artists over a six-week period. This non-residential residency supports artists working in a traditional, contemporary, or hybrid folk and community-based art forms and provides time, space, resources, and opportunities to create, share, and connect with our community.



\$4,550
STIPEND

PER SELECTED ARTIST
 FOUR ARTISTS SELECTED



APPLICATION DEADLINE
MONDAY,
DECEMBER 7, 2026
 AT 11:59 PM ET

RESIDENCY INCLUDES

-  \$4,550 stipend to support the artist's time and project
-  Studio space at the Community Folk Art Center
-  Support for materials (up to a set amount)
-  Opportunities to present workshops, demonstrations, or other public programs
-  Promotion through CFAC's channels
-  A culminating event or exhibition (Amount to be determined in collaboration with CFAC)

ELIGIBILITY

- Open to artists working in folk, traditional, or community-based art forms (all disciplines welcome, including visual arts, dance, theater, music, film, and more).
- Artists must be 18 years or older and live within commuting distance to Syracuse, NY (non-residential program).
- We encourage applications from artists of all backgrounds, with particular interest in those with work reflects community, cultural heritage, and lived experience.
- Applicants must demonstrate the capacity to produce new work and engage with the public meaningfully over a sustained period.

APPLYING MATERIALS

Submit your application through our Qualtrics form. Please prepare the following materials:

- Project proposal
- Artist statement
- Current CV or resume
- Work samples (images, links, or PDF)
- Brief plan for public engagement

APPLY HERE



SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed by a panel of CFAC staff, past program collaborators, and external arts professionals. Review criteria include:

- Artistic excellence and originality of work
- Clarity and feasibility of the proposed project
- Capacity to engage meaningfully with the community
- Professionalism, including relevant experience
- Commitment to project timeline and deliverables

Finalists may be invited for a short interview. All applicants will be notified of their status and may request feedback.

Create.
 Share.
 Connect.



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