



Apply to be an Artist in Residence at Darts Hill Garden Park, Surrey, BC

The Darts Hill Garden Conservancy Trust Society (DHGCTS) is accepting applications from local artists on an ongoing basis for its **Artist in Residence Program (AiR)**.

The AiR is a self-directed program offering opportunities for artists to work in plein air in Darts Hill Garden Park, Surrey, BC.

This residency accommodates artists working in painting, drawing, installation, photography, sculpture, print, fibre, video, film, writing and literary arts, and applied arts for the production of new or ongoing bodies of work. Images of the art/art making in the garden and the artist may be shared on the Society's social media and website.

In exchange, artists will schedule at least one work period during Garden Open days to interact with the public through their art, with the possibility to participate in an exhibit in the garden.

In exchange, artists will donate a piece of art created during their residency to the DHGCTS with the understanding that the donation may be auctioned, sold or gifted as deemed appropriate.

Qualifications:

This residency is open to artists throughout the City of Surrey and adjacent communities. The DHGCTS is seeking an artist who will benefit from plein air work experience and has an ongoing, self-directed, independent practice. Two artists may apply together, partnerships and collectives are welcome. Suitability and limitations of the outdoor environment of the garden park will be taken into consideration. Artist in Residence are required to become a member of the DHGCTS in order to participate in the program, but do not need to be members to apply.

Artist in Residence facilities may include:

- Use of an electric cart to transport art materials may be available once the artist has received cart training (The cart may be fully booked by other volunteer groups during busy times in the garden)
 - Partial use of the garage for art material storage
 - Depending on the nature of the proposal the garden may be available during open hours and/or after hours.
- Artists are responsible for personal expenses including materials and equipment related to their work during their residency tenure. An AiR honorarium of \$500 per artist is available upon successful completion of their residency.

Duration and timing of Residency:

The DHGCTS prefers residencies to occur during the months of May, June, July or September. August is reserved for garden maintenance activities. Previous residencies have ranged from 4 to 6 weeks.

Deadline: Reviewed on an ongoing basis. Please submit in a PDF document the following information:

- Subject line: Artist in Residence Proposal
- Name, address, email, and telephone number
- Available dates
- Project summary (limited to 100 words)
- Bio (limited to 100 words)
- Detailed Project Proposal and Outreach Program
(In 500 words, describe the concept, framework, mediums of use, accompanying outreach program and how this residency will help develop your creative practice.)
- Current CV (maximum 3 pages describing academic, professional and other relevant experience)
- Maximum 5 samples of work ie, images, links to video clips, or publications.
- Images should be titled in the following format: artist_title_medium_size

For more information please email the DHGCTS at info@dartshill.ca

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