

# MICRO ARTIST RESIDENCIES AT...



## CALL FOR ARTISTS

Are you an artist or creative looking for time and space to test out an idea and make new work? Everybody Arts are thrilled to announce an open call for 10 micro-residencies in our spacious and inspiring gallery.

### ABOUT EVERYBODY ARTS

Everybody Arts uses art to transform people's lives for the better. We foster a genuinely inclusive and accessible approach to the arts and have been at the forefront of creativity and wellbeing work in Calderdale since 2010. We champion art and creativity for everyday life and think that opportunity and engagement with art can make things better for everyone. Our time, space and resources are dedicated to supporting artistic development and community imagination.

### ABOUT THE EVERYBODY GALLERY

The Everybody Gallery is an accessible space with level access on the first floor of Everybody Arts' grade II listed former textile mill at Shaw Lane, Halifax HX3 9ET. The main gallery space spans 326 square metres, with additional kitchen, AV presentation and toilet facilities.

For the duration of the residency, the space is available to do as you wish (so long as it is returned in the state that you came to it). For one day per week the space will be open to the public providing an opportunity to share your work. Outside of this time the space will be closed to the public for the duration of your duration of your residency, unless agreed by prior arrangement.

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## RESIDENCY DETAILS

- Duration: 1 week
- Residency dates:
  - Residency 1: 12 to 16 August 2024
  - Residency 2: 19 to 23 August 2024
  - Residency 3: 2 to 6 September 2024
  - Residency 4: 9 to 13 September 2024
  - Residency 5: 16 to 20 September 2024
  - Residency 6: 23 to 27 September 2024
  - Residency 7: 30 September to 4 October 2024
  - Residency 8: 7 to 11 October 2024
  - Residency 9: 14 to 18 October 2024
  - Residency 10: 21 to 25 October 2024
- Location: The Everybody Gallery, Everybody Arts, Shaw Lane, Halifax HX3 9ET
- Cost: £50 per week
- Gallery facilities available:
  - The whole 326 square metres of the gallery space, including all wall panels for display.
  - Kitchen equipped with sink, serveware, glasses, urns, kettle and fridge.
  - Projector, screen and speakers.
  - Free wi-fi.
  - Tables and chairs.
  - Access to art school printmaking and ceramics facilities on the floor below the gallery can be arranged by prior agreement (please note that this will involve an additional cost - check [www.everybodyarts.org.uk/studios-residencies](http://www.everybodyarts.org.uk/studios-residencies) for more details).

## ABOUT THE RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

To celebrate Everybody Arts becoming a charity, we are delighted to present 10 micro residencies for visual artists in The Everybody Gallery. These micro residencies are a rare opportunity for artists to have access to a large and flexible space to test out new ideas, develop existing work or see the realisation of a project. Each micro residency is for a period of one week, but we will also consider applications for multiple weeks.

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The micro residency will create a space for temporary creative experiences, which might include creating an installation, doing filming or photography, experimenting with different modes of display, creation of large-scale artworks or simply making time to think and develop your creativity.

Each residency must include one day where the space is open to the public, where the space will be invigilated by the artist as well as one of Everybody Arts' fantastic team of volunteers where available. Other events can be held in the space by prior arrangements at additional costs.

Artists underserved by the cultural sector are encouraged to apply for this opportunity including artists who identify as disabled, neurodiverse, female, artists from ethnic minority groups, and artists from a lower socioeconomic background.

The artist will commit to:

- Using the residency space for at least 4 days in their hire period.
- Ensuring that the gallery is returned in the same state that it was when the residency began, with any walls repainted white, holes filled in on the walls and debris and refuse removed.
- Opening the gallery to the public for at least one day during the week (usually Fridays).
- Taking part in evaluation activities as required.
- Providing materials to assist with the promotion of their residency and outcomes.

Everybody Arts will commit to:

- Providing administrative support for the arrangement of the residency and access to the space from 9am to 5pm Monday-Friday (with some availability for times outside of this period by prior arrangement).
- Providing a safe and secure space for the artist to create and work in.
- Supporting the artist to access and use the space appropriately and inline with our health and safety policies.
- Ensuring that there is always a member of the Everybody Arts staff or volunteer team in the gallery when the space is open to the public.
- Promoting the artist's residency and outcomes through our social media and other marketing channels.

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## WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

We are particularly interested in facilitating residencies that will do one or more of the following:

- **Demonstrate innovation:** We are looking for artists with innovative and fresh perspectives. This could involve the use of new technologies, unconventional materials or concepts that challenge and inspire.
- **Engage the local and visitor community:** We are looking for projects that will involve and resonate with our local community, and artists whose creative practices encourage interaction and participation in visual arts practice and appreciation.
- **Embrace multidisciplinary approaches and collaborations:** We would love to support residencies that involve collaboration between the artist and members of the Everybody Arts community. This could include workshops, community art projects, or installations that evolve over time with input from the public.
- **Promote inclusivity:** We want to support projects and practices that are inclusive and accessible to diverse audiences.
- **Address social or environmental issues:** We'd like to support residences that use art to raise awareness, provoke thought and contribute to positive change and dialogue about social or environmental issues relevant to our community.
- **Utilise sustainable materials:** We would love to see residencies that prioritise sustainability and artists who incorporate eco-friendly materials or focus on themes related to environmental consciousness.

## WHO CAN APPLY

We are welcoming applications from any artist or creative working in the field of visual arts, who are looking for a space to experiment and develop their practice. This programme is open to both early career and established artists, with priority given to artists who can show us how the residency time will benefit their creative development and demonstrate practical skills and critical thinking.

Application requirements:

- Public liability and professional indemnity Insurance
- If you plan to work with vulnerable adults or children during your residency, you will need a full clear DBS and to share this with Everybody Arts prior to your residency, along with your safeguarding policy.
- Selected artists will need to provide a risk assessment covering any materials and processes which may be undertaken during the residency.

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Typical studio practices are permitted in the space. However, we cannot host residencies which will be used for commercial purposes, such as selling work or running fee charging sessions. Some work practices and materials are unsuitable for our space and not permitted. This includes but is not limited to hazardous or toxic materials that may burn, stain or have the potential to cause permanent damage to people or spaces, and noisy or dangerous practices (including the use of power tools). For more information, please visit [www.everybodyarts.org.uk/studios-residencies](http://www.everybodyarts.org.uk/studios-residencies).

## HOW TO APPLY

To apply, please submit the following by **Monday 17 June 2024**:

- Artist statement and bio or Artist CV.
- A brief project proposal for the residency period, covering what you intend to do in the space during the week (e.g. exploring a new research interest or testing a different working process).
- Images of previous work (max file size 25MB) or a link to your website or online portfolio
- Which residency period(s) you are interested in (we will consider applications for up to two week periods).

Email your application to [gallery@everybodyarts.org.uk](mailto:gallery@everybodyarts.org.uk) with the subject line 'Gallery Residency Application - [Your Name]'. Please attach all application materials in a single PDF file. Audio visual links can be embedded with a length not exceeding 3 minutes in total.

## SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be reviewed by our selection committee. As we anticipate a high level of interest, we will not be able to provide detailed feedback on unsuccessful applications.

For answers to the frequently asked questions, visit [www.everybodyarts.org.uk/opportunities](http://www.everybodyarts.org.uk/opportunities). For other inquiries, please email [gallery@everybodyarts.org.uk](mailto:gallery@everybodyarts.org.uk).

Everybody Arts is an equal opportunity organisation and encourages artists from diverse backgrounds to apply.

We look forward to welcoming innovative and passionate artists to take part in the micro residencies, and can't wait to see what you produce in the space!

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