

Guidelines for Applicants

Fukuoka Asian Art Museum Artist in Residence 2025

1. Program Goal

Fukuoka Asian Art Museum (hereinafter referred to as FAAM) aims to invite artists from Japan and abroad, including those from Asian countries and regions, for a certain period of time, to provide them with various opportunities to create and exhibit their artworks in Fukuoka, so that they could encourage each other to achieve their full potential and expand careers to the world from Fukuoka city. It also hopes Fukuoka citizens get a deeper understanding of contemporary art, Asian art, and different cultures to improve the quality of local culture by promoting art exchange with the citizens. Through this program, FAAM aims to build human and organizational networks on international levels and to function as a center of interaction in terms of Asian art.

2. Organizer

Fukuoka Asian Art Museum

3. Residency period

1st period: July – September, 2025 (approx. 85 days)

2nd period: October – December, 2025 (approx. 80 days)

3rd period: January – March, 2026 (approx. 60 days)

* Period of residency will be decided according to the proposed project plan and discussion between FAAM and candidates.

4. Number of artists in residence

Around 7 artists (groups) in total

* Only 1 person will receive financial support by FAAM, if applicants are in a group.

[Artists from Abroad] 4 artists (groups) in total for all the residency period

Japanese nationals living overseas are not eligible.

[Artists from Japan] 1 or 2 artists (groups) in total for all the residency period

Any nationals living in Japan are eligible.

[Artists from Fukuoka] 1 or 2 artists in total for all the residency period

Applicants must be a resident either in Fukuoka or nearby place, who should be able to work at the designated studio. No regulations for the applicant's nationality. No accommodation fees are provided.

5. Eligibility

Acceptable applicants must fulfil the following requirements:

- 1) Have a degree of experience in contemporary art fields and are expected to expand careers on international levels in the future.
- 2) Expected to continuously engage in activities and interact with people related to Asian countries and regions.
- 3) Be able to work for the FAAM artist in residence program for around 5 days a week.
- 4) Speak basic Japanese or English sufficient for daily communication in Japan.
- 5) Be able to submit a letter of recommendation written by a responsible person from an art professional, institute or group.

6. Major activities during the residency

1) Art-making

Artists should utilize their working environment in Fukuoka for their art making and projects, to present them in public. FAAM will provide support for art-making as well as collaborations with local professionals in the art field and universities, etc.

2) Art exchange program

Artists should conduct 2 workshops and 2 talk events, etc. for the people of Fukuoka, including children and general participants.

3) Exhibition

Artworks or results of activities created during the residency period will be on view at the residency artist's exhibition or open studio.

FAAM will actively support and publicize applicants' activities on the residency.

7. Place for art-making, exhibition and accommodation

1) Main Place for art-making (AIR studio)

(Inside the Artist Cafe Fukuoka, 2-5 Jonai, Chuo, Fukuoka)

Floor area of the studio: 30 - 130 m²

Opening hours: 11:00 - 19:00*

*Studio is closed on Mondays (If a Monday is a public holiday, then the next day)

2) Main exhibition venue: Grand Studio (former gymnastic hall, 100-200 m²) located inside the Artist Cafe Fukuoka (2-5 Jonai, Chuo, Fukuoka)

3) Accommodation: In principle, artists will be staying at the accommodation (ex. short-stay apartment) in Fukuoka City which will be provided by FAAM.

8. Collaborations with University

Artists can collaborate with the universities listed below for their art-making.

However, their activities must be approved in prior by mutual discussions with the university.

- 1) Kyushu University (Faculty of Design)
Address: 4-9-1 Shiobaru, Minami, Fukuoka
(a) Advice from professors [<https://www.design.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/faculty/>], creative collaborations or art exchange programs with students (may be done as part of classes)
(b) Use of facilities at the university [<https://www.design.kyushu-u.ac.jp/en/facilities/>]
- 2) Kyushu Sangyo University (Faculty of Art and Design)
Address: 2 Chome-3-1 Matsukadai, Higashi, Fukuoka
(a) Advice from professors [<http://www.kyusan-u.ac.jp/kyugei/teachers/>], creative collaborations or art exchange programs with students (may be done as part of classes)
(b) Use of facilities at the university [<http://www.kyusan-u.ac.jp/kyugei/equipment/>]

9. Support from FAAM

- 1) Expenses for international and domestic travels
ex.) round-trip travel fees from home to Fukuoka (economy flights or train tickets, etc.)
- 2) Accommodation
Artists from abroad/Japan will be staying in an accommodation designated by FAAM (including fees for breakfast and dinner each day).
- 3) Living expenses (including lunch and local transportation fees) specified by Fukuoka City regulations. Artists from Fukuoka are eligible only for local transportation fees.
- 4) Expenses for art making and exhibition
ex.) art materials approved by FAAM, and other costs for making and installing the works, etc. (for a maximum of 500,000 JPY)
- 5) Expenses for art exchange programs
ex.) art materials, etc. approved by FAAM
- 6) Publicity costs for the residency artist's exhibition
ex.) flyers, signs, SNS, etc.
- 7) Art insurance during the residency artist's exhibition

10. Notes

- 1) Artists are not allowed, in principle, to bring their family to Fukuoka.
- 2) The artist is required, in principle, not to return home or to visit other countries during the period of the residency.
- 3) Artists should afford the expenses to handle their artworks and other materials after the exhibition and send them to their homes.

11. How to apply

- 1) Download the application materials
Download the application forms and recommendation letter (Application Form no.1 to 3) from the FAAM artist in residence website.
[<https://faam.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/en/residence/requirement/>].
For more details about the residency program, please refer to the *Outline, Terms and Conditions* which is also on the website.

2) Submit the online application form

<https://forms.gle/7Z38bBZx6vmtkDH18>

Fill in and submit the online application form, with all the application forms attached.

*If you cannot access to the online application form, please contact us at air@faam.ajibi.jp.

3) Supplemental material

(a) Digital images of artworks created in the last 5 years.

- List the *Title, Date, Medium/Method, Description* of each work on Form 2.

Images should be numbered accordingly and must include your name in the title.

- No more than 10 images, for the maximum of 5 works.

- Do not attach video data directly on the application forms. Please provide the link(s) available to download online.

(b) Applicant's portrait (digital image)

***The size of all the application material should NOT exceed 20MB.**

*Submitted documents will remain at FAAM for private research reference and will not be returned to the applicants.

12. Application period

January 16 – February 16, 2025*

*Application Deadline is **23:59 (11:59PM), February 16, 2025, Japan Time.**

13. Selection process

The selection will be done by the respective members including FAAM Selection Board of the Artist in Residence Program. **Results will be announced on the FAAM website in early April 2025. The successful candidates will be notified directly by FAAM.**

* No inquiries regarding the selection procedure will be answered

14. Contact/Inquiries

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*** This email address is for inquiries only. Do not submit your application materials to this address.**