

## Seeking professional **visual artists**, established or emerging, to submit proposals for **Art Out of the Box** residencies.

Art Out of the Box is a mobile art studio project. The Art Box (a modified trailer box) will open into an all-inclusive artist studio space where artists create an original piece of visual art work within a one-week residency. The residencies will take place outdoors in five Pittsburgh neighborhoods during the summer months of 2011: [Friendship](#), [Lawrenceville](#), [Polish Hill](#), [Southside](#), and [Central Northside](#). The project goals are to demonstrate the value of locally produced art and to build strong connections between artists and local communities by inviting resident artists to interact with the public throughout the creative process. The culminating event, a public art exhibit in conjunction with the Downtown Gallery Crawl, will feature the final works and a documentary of the process behind the public art project.

Residency requires outgoing personalities willing to engage with community residents while working. The artist will be paid a fee of \$720 to complete an original work in a 40 hour week. The artist will additionally receive a \$250 materials stipend to cover any cost of art materials. The artworks created will be donated to the community development centers in the neighborhoods where they were produced.

Application materials must be received by 5pm on **February 18th, 2011**

**Applications should be mailed or hand delivered to:**

Art Out of the Box  
c/o Sprout Fund  
Art Out of the Box Artist Application  
5423 Penn Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15206-3423

Visit [www.artboxpittsburgh.com](http://www.artboxpittsburgh.com) for more information.

**Artist eligibility:** Any visual artist, emerging or professional, 18 years or older, residing within the Pittsburgh City limits who has completed the application completely and has submitted on time. Residency requires outgoing personalities willing to engage with the community residents in the neighborhood where they will be working. Artists must be able to complete a minimum of one artwork within the 40 hour residency, under the conditions previously described.

A **complete application** must be received no later than 5pm on Friday February 18th, 2011 and must include:

- Contact information, including: Full name, mailing address, e-mail address and phone number

## 2011 Art Out of the Box Residency Application

- Current contact information for two professional references
- 5-10 digital images or slides highlighting your original work that best illustrates a wide range of the kind of work that you have been engaged with over the past two years. We are not looking for a 'body of work', so much as looking to see the diversity of artistic investigations. All forms of visual media are acceptable, however, we are not seeking performance artists. Images should be in .jpeg form, no larger than 500KB, on a cd, clearly labeled with your name.
- Image title page including in order your name, title of the work, date, materials and dimensions. You may include a few lines of explanation for each piece if you like.
- Resume or CV highlighting relevant work experience (no more than 3 pages)
- Answers to the following questions (using no more than 2000 characters per question)
- \$10 application fee (Check or Money Order, Payable to Art Out of the Box)
  1. Briefly describe your interest in community-based or public art. What do you feel you have to share with the community that you might be working in?
  2. Describe ways in which you might imagine engaging the community in conversation while continuing to produce art work?
  3. Considering the nature of the residency, do you consider yourself outgoing and able to verbally articulate your artistic process, and will you feel comfortable working outdoors?
  4. What kinds of needs will you have in terms of tools and equipment, or special accommodations, to complete your work on site?

For more information, or if you have any specific questions regarding your application, contact the Project Manager Samantha McDonough at 412.389.5521 or [mcdonoug21@gmail.com](mailto:mcdonoug21@gmail.com)

## Art Out of the Box Application Checklist

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Image title page

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Answers to the essay questions

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