

Artist in Residence

Midwestern State University - Harvey School of Visual Arts
Art Department (Ceramics)

Dates of Residency: August 15, 2018 through August 15, 2019 (one year minimum, with the possibility of one year renewal)

Application Deadline: Applications received by **April 10, 2018**, will be given full consideration. The position will be open until filled.

Description: This self-directed, part-time residency is designed to provide a ceramic artist with university based studio access, as they make the transition from or between academic settings. Furthermore, the program is intended to allow a resident the time and space to pursue a body of work in a creative and energetic environment, while enhancing the art program at Midwestern State University. The accepted artist will participate within the ceramics area as an adjunct professor, an informal collaborator and mentor for students, while working in the common studio space. To see images of the ceramics studio at Midwestern, please go to:

stevenhilton.com or the [MSU Ceramics](#)

Minimum qualifications: An MFA in ceramics (or related discipline) is required. All applicant reviews will be based on portfolio review, qualifications, and individual artistic and professional merit.

Duties and Expectations for the Resident Artist: This is a part-time position. Work will include a combination of the below duties and activities up to a limit of 19 hrs. per week (final combination of duties may vary, and will be determined in consultation with the ceramics professor):

- Assistance with studio management and maintenance, including but not limited to loading and unloading kilns, materials inventory, mixing clay, mixing glaze and firing kilns, etc.
- **Facilitate** the making of 1,000 bowls for the Wichita Falls Empty Bowls event
- Teach one non-for-credit continuing education wheel-throwing course per semester, with the possibility of an additional *Ceramics for Non-Majors* class per semester (*)
- Attend opening receptions and special events
- Help set up and work the Mother's Day Ceramic Sale
- Help fire the wood kiln once per semester
- Give one public lecture on her/his work
- Donate one piece of artwork for MSU's permanent collection
- Other duties may be assigned by Ceramics professor or Chair of the department

Midwestern provides:

- A small-furnished apartment located at a private residence with all utilities paid including Wi-Fi (details to be discussed during the interview process)
- Reasonable supply of materials and firing privileges
- A small office with internet access and storage space
- Studio space in the common 4000 square foot studio area
- Access to adjunct faculty privileges (library access, wellness center, etc.)
- A minimum stipend of \$6,000 per year, divided throughout the year and paid on hourly rate basis.
- * Optional and possible additional compensation of \$2,500 for each *Ceramics for Non-Majors* course taught as adjunct professor (combination of all teaching and non-teaching duties to be determined each semester, and will not exceed 19hrs. per week or its equivalency for both teaching and non-teaching duties. Up to one *Ceramics for Non-Majors* course per semester may be allowed).
- A solo exhibition

The ceramics studio at the Harvey School of Art is equipped with the following (available to the resident artist):

- Three computer controlled electric kilns
- Large Brent slab roller
- Two extruders
- Three pugmills
- Soldner mixer
- Separate well equipped glaze room
- Spray booth
- Materials and clay mixing/storage room
- 18 electric wheels
- One wheelchair accessible wheel
- Ball mill
- 5,000 square foot covered kiln yard with the following:
 - Two 40 cubic foot computer-controlled Geil car kilns
 - A 30 cubic foot “fast fire” wood kiln
 - Two older updraft kilns
 - A 30 cubic foot downdraft soda kiln
 - A 3 cubic foot updraft test kiln

Artist in residence may have access, by permission, to the following studios:

- Painting
- Sculpture
- Metals
- Printmaking
- 24 station Adobe Suite equipped Mac lab with large format printers

Application: For consideration, please make the following available in a **single PDF** with **your** Dropbox account via a link by **April 10, 2018**. Send the link to Steve Hilton at steve.hilton@mwsu.edu. Please put your documentation in the following order and please **do not email application materials**:

- Letter of interest with a short paragraph on what you would like to accomplish while at MSU
- CV
- Artist's statement
- Teaching philosophy/statement (include a paragraph on how you would teach a continuing education (adult education) course)
- 20 jpegs of recent work (**please note your website URL (web address) if possible**) If you list your website address, you do not need to send images in your PDF
- If available, a minimum of 10 jpegs of student work. These can be on your website as well.
- Contact information (email and cell phone) for 3 references . . . Please make one reference a graduate professor

Questions may be sent to Steve Hilton at:
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