

2026-27 Stanionis Artist Residency | KU Metalsmithing & Jewelry

Department of Visual Art
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

The Department of Visual Art at the University of Kansas invites applications for a one-year Artist-in-Residence in Metalsmithing & Jewelry. This residency is designed to support emerging and established artists by providing dedicated time, space, and access to professional facilities to develop new work within a vibrant academic community.

The program emphasizes material exploration, creative research, and community engagement, offering residents the opportunity to advance their practice while contributing to an active learning environment.

What the Residency Offers

- Private/shared studio space within KU's Metalsmithing & Jewelry facilities
- Full access to equipment and labs, including traditional and digital fabrication tools
- \$1,000 stipend (for 10 months)
- One course teaching opportunity
The Department of Visual Art will be providing a lecturer position at \$5,500 per semester to teach one course. (\$11,000 total for academic year)
- Engagement with a dynamic community of undergraduate and graduate students
- Opportunities to participate in critiques, workshops, and public programming

This residency prioritizes

- Time and space to develop a cohesive body of work
- Experimentation across traditional and digital processes
- Dialogue and exchange within an academic setting
- Community interaction, including informal mentorship and participation in events

Responsibilities

- Teach one course during the residency period (Fall 2026 & Spring 2027)
- Maintain an active studio practice, including shop upkeep
- Participate in the department community (critiques, events, or workshops as appropriate)
- Deliver an artist talk or presentation during the residency

Facilities

Residents will have access to KU's comprehensive Visual Art facilities, which include:

- Casting and fabrication areas
- Enameling facilities
- Laser cutting and digital fabrication tools
- CAD/CAM technologies

Eligibility

- Artists working in metalsmithing, jewelry, or closely related disciplines
- MFA preferred or equivalent professional experience
- Demonstrated commitment to studio practice and community engagement

Location

Lawrence, Kansas is a vibrant college town with a strong arts community, located near Kansas City.

Application Requirements:

Fill out form linked from website

Please include all in one .pdf and email to visualartadmin@ku.edu

- Letter of Intent
- CV
- Portfolio (20 images or equivalent media)
- Image List
- Contact information for three references

Timeline

- **Application Deadline: April 30, 2026**
Residency Period: August 3rd, 2026– July 30th, 2027

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