

## ***MacDowell Financial Assistance – Fall 2020***

MacDowell offers two grant programs to help offset expenses and/or lost income related to a residency: stipends and travel grants. Artists of all disciplines are eligible to apply for one or both of these grants. Stipends are awarded based on financial need and can only be given in conjunction with a residency. After reading the application materials carefully, please contact [Ann Hayashi](#) with any questions or if your ability to come to MacDowell will be dependent on secure knowledge of financial support. All application materials, including the fact that you have applied, are treated confidentially.

When deciding if you will apply for financial assistance, bear in mind that the average income of successful stipend grant recipients is about \$20,000 for individuals filing singly. While individual circumstances such as change in employment status are taken into account in determining individual grants, the upper income boundary qualifying for support is approximately \$40,000 for individuals and \$80,000 for someone with one or more dependents. ***The first two pages of your most recent income tax filing (1040 form or third-party verification of income) are required as part of the grant application for stipends.***

### **Tips for completing the forms:**

- Please do not use Mac Preview to complete your Stipend or Travel Grant applications.
- After printing the completed forms, use your browser's "back" button to return to the Dashboard. Closing the form will also close the Dashboard.

### ***Stipends***

**The Stipend Application for the Fall 2020 season must be received by October 9, 2020 or it will not be considered.**

Stipend applications must be received by the deadline. Stipend amounts of up to \$1500 are awarded based on financial need. A Grants Committee reviews stipend applications. Applicants are notified of the committee's decision by e-mail approximately three weeks after the application deadline. Depending on the timing of your residency, approved stipends may be disbursed while you are at MacDowell or mailed to your permanent address after departure.

### ***Calderwood Charitable Foundation Project Grants for Long-Form Journalism***

**The project grant application is due after the conclusion of your residency. Please submit the completed form and all receipts by the deadline date nearest to your departure date: for Fall 2020 residencies the deadline is December 1st.**

Nonfiction writers engaged in long-form journalism projects are eligible to apply for small project grants through a fund endowed by the Calderwood Charitable Foundation. Completed Project Grant applications together with all relevant receipts must be received by December 1st. Project grants of up to \$2500 are awarded based on financial need, the scope of your project, and availability of funds. These grants are intended as reimbursement for expenses already incurred and as support for the long-form project(s) worked on while at MacDowell. A Grants Committee reviews project grant applications and reserves the right to deny funding for unrelated expenses. Applicants are notified of the committee's decision by e-mail approximately one month after the application deadline.

## ***Travel Grants***

**The Travel Grant Application is due one month after the completion of your residency.**

Artists are responsible for the cost of their travel. Travel grants are available to offset most expenses associated with direct travel to and from Peterborough. Expenses related to shipping art materials before and after residency are also eligible for reimbursement through this program. For Fall 2020 residencies, MacDowell may also cover the cost of renting a car for travel to and from Peterborough. Completed Travel Grant Applications should be submitted with all relevant receipts **after** you have completed your residency, within 30 days. If you are unable to apply within this time frame, applications will still be processed if they are received within the calendar year of residency.

Support for artists traveling within the U.S. is provided by the MacArthur U.S. Travel Fund, and for artists traveling from outside the U.S. by the Putnam International Travel Fund.