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Pedantic Arts Accepting Applications for Summer and Fall 2027 Terms

Pittsburgh, PA: Pedantic Arts (Pedantic) is seeking applicants for creatives and researchers to participate in the Summer 2027 and Fall 2027 Terms. Entering its sixth year of operations, Pedantic continues its mission of embracing the impact that education, study, and contemplation can have on artistic output by interconnecting creators, organizers, and critics. As the program seeks new residents whose practices engage visual arts, curation, and writing, this unique opportunity invites rich dialogue and collective, exploratory immersion within Pittsburgh's artistic and cultural landscape. The open call is now live and concludes on Thursday, October 15, 2026 at 11:59 PM EST. A virtual Q&A session will be hosted on Wednesday, September 16 at 6PM EST.

Located in an artistic epicenter of Pittsburgh, residents will spend four weeks housed in a hybrid residential and commercial building in the bustling Garfield neighborhood. As opposed to the typical expectation of output in residency programs, Pedantic places emphasis on cross-disciplinary connection and conversations, leading to further inspiration once residents return to their respective practices. Each Pedantic resident is paired with a Pittsburgh-based guide working in a similar field who will help introduce them to relevant activities, resources, and local professional contacts.

Additionally, Pedantic is seeking participants for the Pedantic Research Grant (The Grant). The Grant is a derivative program offering yet another means to be immersed within the vibrant communities of Pittsburgh. Different from the residency program, The Grant is a one- or two-week-long independent opportunity that invites a visual artist, curator, or writer to conduct research specifically-related to Pittsburgh. While Pedantic maintains a practice of connecting the Grantee to relevant local contacts, the experience is largely self-directed and without planned events; Two Grant opportunities are available for 2027.

Pedantic will welcome six creative residents to Pittsburgh for the months of June and October 2027 and two grant recipients for one- or two-week terms to be scheduled during February 15 - May 15 or July 15 - September 15, 2027. Interested candidates can apply to the open call for free from September 1–28. Starting September 29, there will be an application fee of $20 for submissions. All applications are due Thursday, October 15, 2026 at 11:59PM EST.

Pedantic Arts is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, previously co-directed by Casey Droege Cultural Productions and Headwater Media. Please visit the Pedantic website to learn more about this opportunity and to apply.

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