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**HCCC ANNOUNCES CALL FOR RESIDENT ARTISTS AND LAUNCHES  
NEW INTERDISCIPLINARY CRAFT + PHOTOGRAPHY RESIDENCY WITH HCP**  
Online Application Open January 1 – March 1, 2020

**(HOUSTON, TX) December 13, 2019** – Houston Center for Contemporary Craft (HCCC) announces its application for the 2020 – 2021 Cycle of its Artist Residency Program opens January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020. Artists working in craft media, including wood, glass, metal, fiber, clay, and mixed media, are invited to apply.

Applicants must be able to fulfill a program requirement of working in their studios for two days per week during HCCC public hours. The resident artists are required to open their studios to public interaction on Saturdays and one other day of the week, as well as during exhibition openings and specific educational programs on the evenings and weekends. Applicants should consider the public facing nature of the residencies and the fact that a major goal of the program is to provide visitors with an opportunity to explore contemporary craft through engagement with working artists.

Benefits of the residency include 24/7 access to studio space, cultural and professional development opportunities, a monthly stipend that includes a small housing/materials allowance, and the opportunity to give an artist talk and be included in HCCC's annual *In Residence* exhibition. Juried selection is based on quality of creative work, ability to interact with the public, career direction, and program diversity. Accepted artists will be notified via e-mail in April.

**Houston Center for Contemporary Craft and Houston Center for Photography Announce a Joint Interdisciplinary Craft + Photography (ICP) Artist Residency**

HCCC and Houston Center for Photography (HCP) have partnered to offer the new Interdisciplinary Craft + Photography (ICP) Artist Residency, a program designed for artists creating work at the intersection of contemporary craft and photography. This three-month residency supports artists with an experimental, multidisciplinary edge, who are testing the boundaries within both fields. ICP residents will be hosted in a studio space at HCCC and will receive all the benefits of regular HCCC resident artists. In addition, from HCP, they will receive printing credits and access to the digital lab. Artists will participate in a joint artist talk and will be included in HCCC's annual *In Residence* exhibition, as well as receive a feature in HCP's *spot magazine*.

**For more details, application requirements, and to apply online, visit:**

<https://www.crafthouston.org/artists/residents/apply-to-program/>

### **About Houston Center for Contemporary Craft**

Houston Center for Contemporary Craft (HCCC) is a nonprofit visual arts center dedicated to advancing education about the process, product, and history of craft. HCCC provides exhibition, studio, and garden spaces to support the work of local and national artists and serves as a resource for artists, educators and the community at large.

Located in the Museum District at 4848 Main Street, HCCC is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 AM – 5 PM, and Sunday, 12 – 5 PM. Holidays: Closed Easter, July 4th, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Admission is free. Free parking is available directly behind the facility, off Rosedale and Travis Street. HCCC is three blocks south of Wheeler Ave. MetroRail station on Main Street.

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For more information, call 713-529-4848 or visit [www.crafthouston.org](http://www.crafthouston.org). Find HCCC on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram @CraftHouston.

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