



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

APRIL–JULY 2025
&
SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER 2025



PRESENTATION OF RESIDENCY

Founded in 1989, the Atelier Calder residency program offers artists the opportunity to pursue projects and create new work in the exceptional environment of Alexander Calder's studio and home in Saché, France, designed by the artist himself. The residency can also serve as an opportunity for the artist to realize works that will be exhibited in a public institution to follow in collaboration with the Atelier Calder. The works produced during the residency are presented to the public at the end of the session during an open studio event.

The Atelier Calder receives funding from the Ministry of Culture's Regional Directorate of Cultural Affairs (DRAC Centre Val de Loire), the Centre-Val de Loire Region, and the Calder Foundation.



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The Atelier Calder offers two residency sessions per year, each of which welcomes one visual artist working in installation, sculpture, or related disciplines. This call for applications is open to artists of any nationality and of any age who have already established themselves professionally on the international art scene.

Applicants may specify which residency period they wish to apply for, either residency n°1 from April–July 2025 or residency n°2 from September–December 2025. During residency n°2, the Atelier Calder will participate in the Festival AR(t)CHIPEL, which is open to the public for 10 days from mid-October to early November 2025. More information is provided in the instructions section.

Terms

The property consists of Calder's studio, equipped with tools and measuring 300 m² (3,200 ft²) across two levels, as well as a furnished house, measuring 450 m² (5,000 ft²). A vehicle is available for local transportation, on the condition that the resident has an international driver's license.

The Atelier Calder's team, which consists of a Studio Manager and a Program Coordinator, provides technical, logistical, and administrative support to the artists-in-residence. The team can assist in securing materials and arranging on- or off-site production needs to the extent that it is possible locally. The artist proposes a specific project as part of the application, which informs the selection process. Any substantial changes to the project must be discussed with the Atelier Calder team to ensure technical and budgetary feasibility.

Applicants must be able to clear their schedule of all other professional activities (teaching, etc.) and commit to being present for the duration of their residency. An agreement is signed between the Atelier Calder and the artist upon arrival to define their mutual commitments. At the end of each residency, Atelier Calder hosts an open studio event for the public.

Funding

Atelier Calder provides each artist with a living stipend of 5,000 €, as well as 6,000 € in production funding.

Calendar

Launch of the Open Call: February 9, 2024

Deadline: March 10, 2024 (no applications will be considered after this date)

Examination and pre-selection of applications: Spring 2024

Individual interviews with each pre-selected artist: Summer 2024

Final response to all candidates by e-mail: Fall 2024



INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESIDENCY N°1, APRIL- JULY 2025

Selection process

Artists are selected by the Atelier Calder's Board of Trustees, whose members include arts professionals as well as institutional representatives from the public partners of the Atelier Calder. The committee bases its decisions on the materials submitted and projects proposed by the artist candidates.

Application

Submit the following elements in a SINGLE PDF document titled: Last Name - First Name N°1 2025:

- Completed Application Form
- CV (2 pages maximum)
- Artist's statement (1 page maximum)
- 10–20 images of artworks
- Project proposal for the residency, including a description of the concept, as well as of the materials and production process, and eventual destination of the work (i.e. upcoming exhibition), if applicable (2 pages maximum)

The application should be sent in PDF format via email (5–10MB maximum) or via [wetransfer.com](mailto:corinnebouvier@atelier-calder.com) to: corinnebouvier@atelier-calder.com.

For more information, please contact: Corinne Bouvier, Program Coordinator, corinnebouvier@atelier-calder.com.

Applications will only be accepted via email in PDF format. Incomplete applications or applications that do not comply with this format will not be considered. Original artwork will not be accepted.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR RESIDENCY N°2, SEPTEMBER–DECEMBER 2025

Selection process

Artists are selected by the Atelier Calder's Board of Trustees, whose members include arts professionals as well as institutional representatives from the public partners of the Atelier Calder. The committee bases its decisions on the materials submitted and projects proposed by the artist candidates.

During residency n°2, the Atelier Calder will participate in the Festival AR(t)CHIPEL, which is open to the public for 10 days from mid-October to early November 2025. The artist-in-residence for residency n°2 must agree to take part in the festival. Candidates should take this event into account when proposing their project, both in terms of production timeline and adaptation to the festival's audience. Participation in this event will give rise to an additional budget.
More informations : nouvelles-renaissances.com

Application

Submit the following elements in a SINGLE PDF document titled: Last Name - First Name N°2 2025:

- Completed Application Form
- CV (2 pages maximum)
- Artist's statement (1 page maximum)
- 10–20 images of artworks
- Project proposal for the residency, including a description of the concept, as well as of the materials and production process (2 pages maximum)

The application should be sent in PDF format via email (5–10MB maximum) or via wetransfer.com to: corinnebouvier@atelier-calder.com.

For more information, please contact: Corinne Bouvier, Program Coordinator, corinnebouvier@atelier-calder.com.

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RESIDENCY APPLICATION FORM

FULL NAME:

NATIONALITY:

DATE OF BIRTH:

MAILING ADDRESS:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

WEBSITE:

SOCIAL NETWORKS:

TEL.:

DRIVER'S LICENSE HOLDER : Please attach a copy of driver's license if applicable.

The Atelier Calder is located in a rural area with no public transportation nearby. Artists must have an international driver's license to be eligible.

CHOICE OF RESIDENCY PERIOD (please circle one):

- Residence n°1: April–July 2025.

- Residence n°2: September–December 2025 (including the Festival AR(t)CHIPEL)

Please note that it is rarely possible to switch residency periods once confirmed by both the Atelier Calder and the applicant.