Skowhegan Summer Residency for SVA Students & Alumni

Skowhegan Website: www.skowheganart.org

Application Deadline: January 10, 2019, 11:59pm (early bird deadlines prior to January with lower application fees)
Application Opens: November
Awards Announced: April

Description:
SVA Career Development is a Matching Partner with Skowhegan, which allows us to match with Skowhegan to cover the $6,000 residency fee for at least two (2) SVA students or alumni who are accepted into the Skowhegan Summer Residency Program annually. SVA pays $3,000 per accepted student/alumni, and Skowhegan covers the remaining $3,000 for each.

Skowhegan is an intensive nine-week summer residency program for emerging visual artists established in 1946. Skowhegan seeks each year to bring together a diverse group of individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to artmaking and inquiry, creating the most stimulating and rigorous environment possible for a concentrated period of artistic creation, interaction, and growth. Located on an historic farm in rural Maine, the campus serves as a critical component of the program. Neither a school in the traditional sense nor a retreat, Skowhegan draws its vitality from the community created through the talent and energy of the participants, and the distinguished Faculty of Resident and Visiting Artists who provide them with support and critical assistance. Sixty-five participants are accepted annually. While on campus, participants are given individual studio spaces, as well as access to a sculpture studio, a fresco studio, a media lab, a library, a rich community of artists, and acres of farmland, forests, and lakefront.

Eligibility:
- Award is open to current SVA students, and SVA alumni from degree programs.
- Open to U.S. citizens and non-U.S. citizens.
- You should have a strong grasp of the English language.
- You must be 21 years of age at the start of the residency.
- You must first apply to and be accepted by Skowhegan’s jurying process to be eligible for SVA funding.
- The summer residency is completed in the year in which you are accepted; you can still be enrolled in an SVA degree program while attending Skowhegan.

Application Process & Components
- Apply to Skowhegan by their annual deadline and meet criteria of their application process.
- In your application, be sure to note your SVA enrollment or degree.
- You must check off that you are applying for Financial Assistance in the Skowhegan application in order to be considered for the SVA Matching Fund. List Shannon Finnell, Coordinator of SVA Career Development, as the contact in that form. See contact information below.
- You are responsible for the Skowhegan application fee (which increases as the deadline approaches, so apply early!), all materials, and travel costs to and from the residency.
- If you are selected by Skowhegan, they will notify SVA Career Development and we will arrange your award.

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