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## CONTEMPORARY CRAFT ANNOUNCES OPEN CALL FOR NATIONAL ARTIST RESIDENCY PROGRAM

**PITTSBURGH, PA (December 2023)** – Contemporary Craft (CC) is pleased to announce an open call for the second year of its national artist residency program, beginning in Summer 2024. This program offers both short-term and long-term residencies that include free housing and a monthly stipend.

The national residencies are open to artists who are non-Pittsburgh residents and work in craft mediums such as metalsmithing, jewelry, fibers, weaving, wood, encaustics, paper and book arts, small-scale ceramics, and small-scale woodworking. These residencies are in addition to CC's regional artist residency program, which is open to craft artists within 100 miles of Pittsburgh.

The short-term national residencies will last for a period of one month during August 2024, November 2024, February 2025, and June 2025. The long-term national residencies will last for a period of six months from July 2024 – December 2024 and January 2025 – June 2025. All residents receive free furnished housing a quick three-minute drive from CC, a \$1,200 a month stipend, access to CC's facility from 9 AM – 9 PM, and a private work space as well as access to the community Studio spaces.

"We are so excited to be entering into the second year of our National Artist Residencies. The breadth of knowledge and enthusiasm each resident has brought to their position in this first year has made a lasting impact at Contemporary Craft. We can't wait to have a new group of residents join us for our second year to continue making a profound difference in our craft community," said Allison Jones, Director of Education and Residencies.

**Applications for both the short and long-term national residencies are due Thursday, February 1, 2024 at 11:59 PM EST, with notifications sent on Thursday, February 29, 2024.** For complete details and the application, visit <https://contemporarycraft.org/artists-in-residence-2/>.

### About Contemporary Craft

Presenting contemporary art in craft materials by regional, national, and international artists since 1971, Contemporary Craft offers cutting edge exhibitions focusing on multicultural diversity and contemporary art, as well as a range of artist-led studio workshops, community engagement programs, and a store featuring work by top artists from across the country. Located at 5645 Butler Street in Pittsburgh, PA, Contemporary Craft's exhibitions are free to the public.