

John Michael Kohler Arts Center



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Arts/Industry artist-in-residence Ang Li working in the Kohler Co. Foundry, 2023.
Photo: Kohler Co., courtesy of John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

Arts/Industry Now Accepting Applications for 2025 Residencies *Artists working in all media welcome. Apply through Feb. 1, 2024*

Arts/Industry, one of the most remarkable collaborations between art and industry in the United States, is accepting applications for twelve 2025 residencies through February 1.

Over 500 artists have benefited from Arts/Industry since its beginning in 1974. The program offers artists the time and space to focus on creating new work in studios located within the pottery and foundry at the Kohler Co. factory in Kohler, Wis.

Arts/Industry is open to emerging and established artists. Artists need not be trained ceramists or metal sculptors, just interested in the materials and the potential for the industrial environment and processes to influence their creative practice.

The residency emphasizes exploring new materials and processes in a hands-on way while building relationships with the skilled craftspeople who work for Kohler Co. Artists are exposed to a body of technical knowledge that enables and encourages experimentation.

Four artists are in residence at a time. Participants spend three months working in either the Kohler Co. Pottery or Foundry to develop work in ceramic, cast iron, and brass.

Find information about the program, the application process, resources provided to residents, and see alumni videos at jmkac.org/arts-industry.

The [John Michael Kohler Arts Center](#) in Sheboygan, WI, administers the Arts/Industry residency program. Kohler Co. generously hosts and funds the program. The Arts Center will be celebrating Arts/Industry's 50th anniversary in 2024 with a series of exhibitions and other programming.

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About the John Michael Kohler Arts Center

Founded in 1967, the John Michael Kohler Arts Center (JMKAC) is dedicated to generating creative exchanges between an international community of artists and a diverse public. Central to its mission is promoting understanding and appreciation of the work of self-taught and contemporary artists through original exhibitions, commissioned works of art, performing arts, community arts initiatives, and publications.

The Arts Center's collection focuses primarily on works by artist-environment builders, self-taught and folk artists, and works created in the Arts/Industry residency program. JMKAC is the world's leading center for research and presentation of artist-built environments.

In June 2021, the Arts Center opened the Art Preserve, a satellite campus highlighting its collection of 25,000 individual works of art by more than 30 art-environment builders. The Art Preserve features immersive displays of art environments and curated visible storage of environment components. It also serves as a resource for research on art environments and the artists who create them.

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is located at 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI. The Art Preserve is located at 3636 Lower Falls Road, Sheboygan. Admission to both is free. For more information, call 920-458-6144, or visit jmkac.org, [Facebook](#), or [Instagram](#).

The John Michael Kohler Arts Center is supported by corporate and foundation donors, government grants, and its many members. The Arts Center is not an entity of Kohler Co. or its subsidiaries.

Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Thursday: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Locations

John Michael Kohler Arts Center: 608 New York Avenue, Sheboygan, WI

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