



31060 Cottage Hill Road
Redwood, New York 13679

info@betterarts.org

<http://www.betterarts.org/residencies>

betterArts: 2022 Residency Program



betterArts is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 corporation providing an opportunity for creative exploration and growth to visual artists, musicians, potters, sculptors, authors, poets, journalists, dancers, musicians, and creators of every ilk within the context of Better Farm's dynamic environment.

Located 10 miles from Alexandria Bay and the Thousand Islands, Better Farm is situated on 65 acres of property offering an unparalleled rural living experience. Artists-in-residence have 24/7 access to the Art Barn, a 2,500-square-foot studio and gallery space featuring recording studio, radio station, easels, electric kiln, kick wheel, anvil, and myriad art supplies. The property additionally features open-air shop space for woodworkers and welders; on-site sauna, pond, gardens, animal sanctuary, and forests great for hiking and snowshoeing. Residents may choose between a private bedroom in the main house or seasonal rustic cabin (varying price points apply). Food is stocked in a shared kitchenette for residents to prepare on their own; sit-down, family-style meals are also regular occurrences. All provided food is vegan.

betterArts residents are expected to interact and participate in the goings-on around the property (helping with farming, doing minor construction projects, community outreach, hosting a workshop, or assisting with other odd jobs) an average of 3-5 hours per week in addition to their own work on their art. Artists may set their own schedules and choose which projects they participate in.

All those accepted for residency are expected to work seriously—and to conduct themselves in a manner that aids fellow residents in their endeavors. Standards for admission are talent, a coherent project proposal to be completed while here, a desire to live and work at Better Farm, and a willingness to have a go at the Better Theory: a belief that each moment presents us with the opportunity for exponential personal growth.

RESIDENCIES WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON A ROLLING BASIS WITHIN ONE MONTH OF RECEIVING YOUR APPLICATION.

Applications may be submitted via email to residencies@betterarts.org. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

- Application filled out in its entirety including long-form answers (artist statement/project proposal)
- Resumé
- Online links to work

betterArts encourages qualified artists from all backgrounds to apply. We do not discriminate against anyone on any basis whatsoever.

COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

During COVID-19, residents are required to provide proof of vaccination and a negative PCR test within 72 hours prior to arrival.

Visitors are asked to follow the same protocol (whether overnight guests at the farm, friends/partners of betterArts residents, etc.). Throughout Better Farm, strict disinfecting guidelines are followed (regular cleaning of communal spaces i.e. shared kitchenette, bathrooms, etc.).

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THERE ARE NO MEDICAL FACILITIES AT BETTER FARM.



BAND/TROUPE RESIDENCIES

If you are applying as a band, group of performers or artists, please contact info@betterarts.org with a basic project scope, proposed dates, and background on the group so we can prepare a customized application form representative of the scope of your project and needs.



betterArts Residency Application

31060 Cottage Hill Road
Redwood, New York 13679

info@betterarts.org

<http://www.betterarts.org/residencies>

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Area(s) of focus: Writer__ Visual Artist__ New Media/Broadcast__ Musician__

Other : _____

Briefly describe any special equipment or accommodations you need:

Proposed residency dates: _____

March 2022

__2 weeks (\$700) __3 weeks (\$800) __1 month (\$1000) __2 months (\$1950)

April 2022

__2 weeks (\$700) __3 weeks (\$800) __1 month (\$1000) __2 months (\$1950)

May 2022

__2 weeks (\$700) __3 weeks (\$800) __1 month (\$1000) __2 months (\$1950)

June 2022

__2 weeks (\$700) __3 weeks (\$800) __1 month (\$1000) __2 months (\$1950)

Accommodations: Private bedroom in farmhouse (shared bathrooms, shared kitchenette)

All accepted residents at Better Farm are invited to contribute to the community-at-large as well as be a part of on-site projects three to five hours a week. Please list any skills or interests you have related to farming, gardening, construction, sustainability, or community outreach:

ARTIST STATEMENT/PROJECT PROPOSAL

Attach an artist statement and project proposal to be worked on or completed during your time here. Please include why you feel a betterArts residency is the right fit for this body of work. Please include how you would present your work to the community at the conclusion of your residency (whether a reading, gallery show, podcast, or performance).

REFERENCE #1

NAME _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____

REFERENCE # 2

NAME _____

PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

RELATIONSHIP TO YOU _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Name (printed) _____