Top Artist Residencies in New York

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New York should absolutely be on your list of places to pursue an art residency. While New York City boasts a vibrant and diverse artistic scene, artists shouldn't look past the many opportunities for rural getaways across New York state. This collection presents 10 of the most prestigious and established residencies in New York, for artists both local and international.

Residency Unlimited | Residency NYC

RU fosters customized residency environments for artists and curators in all disciplines and at all stages of practice. Participants receive critical, production, and administrative assistance. Substantial emphasis is placed on building networking capacity for the residents. This networking aspect is naturally reinforced through the partnering strategies that Residency Unlimited puts into place.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Production & exhibition



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CEC ArtsLink | Art Prospect Network Residencies

Although CEC ArtsLink facilitates residencies internationally and beyond New York, we've included them in this list since their main headquarters is in NYC. CEC ArtsLink advocates and supports transnational artists and arts leaders to engage communities in dialogue and creative projects for a more equitable, compassionate, and sustainable world. The annual program of work includes residencies in numerous countries around the world, as well as public events, festivals, artists' commissions, and online programs.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Production & exhibition



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Smack Mellon | Artist Studio Program

This program provides free studio space, access to a workshop, and a fellowship to six artists for a one-year period. Each year, Smack Mellon hosts two Open Studios events annually, as well as sponsored visits from curators, critics, and gallerists, which provide significant exposure and invaluable career-building opportunities.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Production & funding

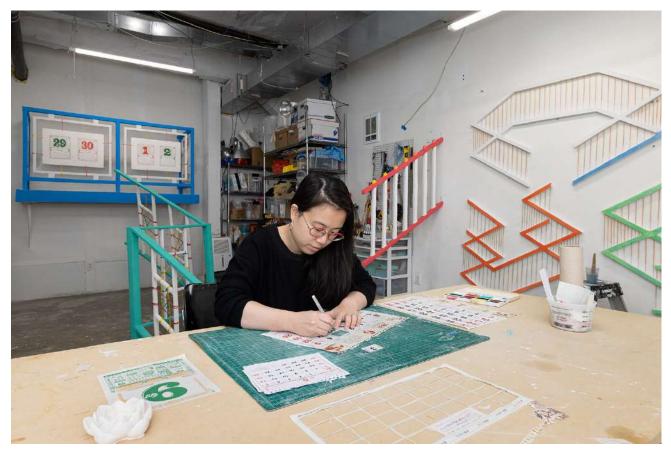


Image: Smack Mellon

EYEBEAM| Residency in Brooklyn

The Eyebeam Residency funds a generous award for artists engaged with technology and technologists working in the arts. Residents work in shared Eyebeam studios in Brooklyn, New York for one year on experimental, interdisciplinary projects with the goal of invention and impact. Residents receive a financial stipend as well as access to top-notch facilities and a dynamic far-reaching community.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Production & funding

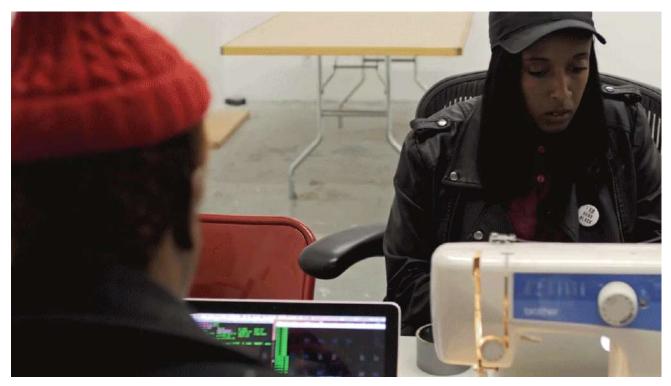


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Millay Arts | Multidisciplinary Artist Residency

From April through November, Millay Arts offers seasonal 1 month residencies through 3 different programs: The core residency, the Steepletop residency & Wintertide Rustic Residency. Artists-in-Residence dive deeply into their creative process and projects; works made possible in part by this gift enrich lives and communities globally.

Location: Austerlitz, NY, USA

Rewards: Accommodation, production & funding



Image: Millay Arts

Wassaic Project | Residency and Fellowship Programs

Wassaic Project offers a number of residency and fellowship programs for artists in various disciplines. Their rural location gives artists the opportunity to enjoy nature, community engagement, and production spaces offered by the organization. Here are some of their programs: Winter/Summer residency, Family residency, Critics residency, and further fellowship.

Location: Wassaic, NY, USA

Rewards: Accommodation, production, funding & exhibition



Image: Wassaic Project

School of Visual Arts (SVA) | Residency Program

SVA's Artist Residencies offer artists, designers, and creative thinkers time, space, and a supportive community in which to develop ideas and focus on their artistic direction, with summer programs on campus in New York City, as well as year-round in online formats.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Accommodation, production, funding & exhibition



Image: School of Visual Arts



Women's Studio Workshop|Artist in Residence Program

Women's Studio Workshop provides professional opportunities for artists at various stages of their careers and promotes programs designed to stimulate public involvement, awareness, and support. They strive to operate and maintain an artists' workspace that encourages the voice and vision of individual women and trans, intersex, nonbinary, and genderfluid artists. WSW facilitate a long list of AIRs & grant programs.

Location: Kingston, NY, USA

Rewards: Accommodation, production, funding, grants & exhibition



Image: Women's Studio Workshop

Sharpe Welentas Project | Studio Program Residency

The Sharpe-Walentas Studio Program awards rent-free (non-living) studio space to 17 visual artists for year-long residencies in Brooklyn, New York. Its mission is to provide working studio space and community space for artists. Artists are selected yearly based on merit.

Location: New York, NY, USA

Rewards: Production & exhibition

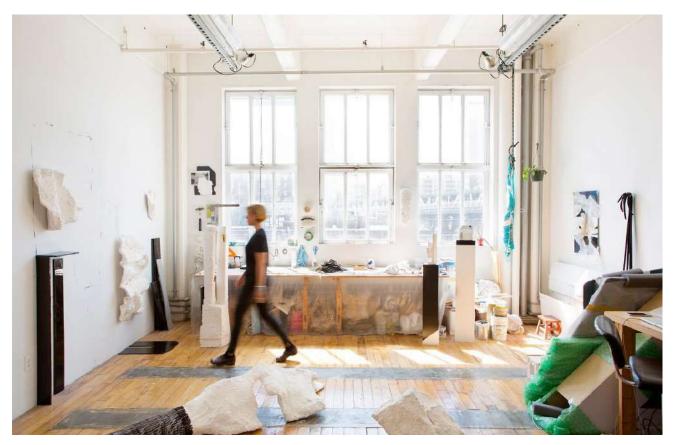


Image: Sharpe-Walentas Studio Program

Constance Saltonstall Foundation for the Arts| Residency in Upstate New York

The Saltonstall Foundation supports New York State artists and writers. They offer free, stipend-supported, juried residency programs and our self-directed, non-juried, low-cost flexible retreats. This organization offers a unique experience for local artists.

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Rewards: Accommodation, production, funding & exhibition



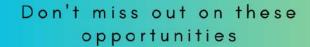
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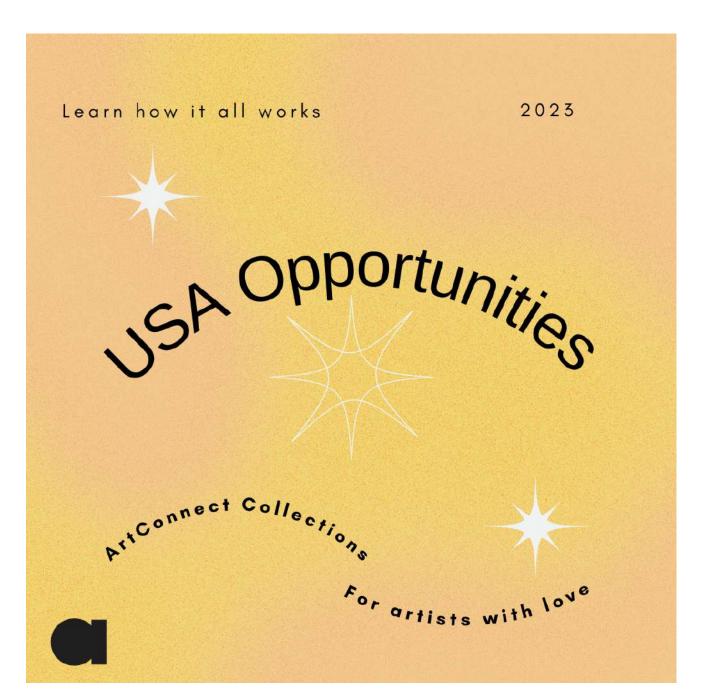


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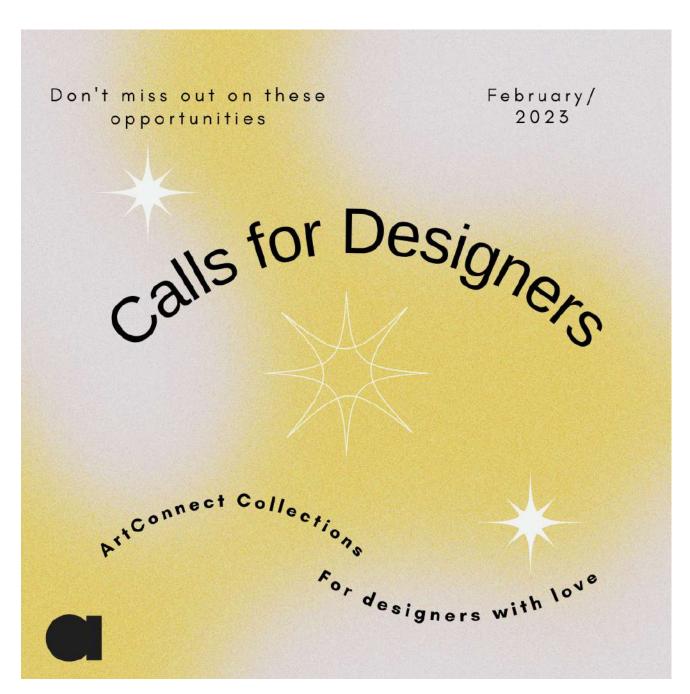
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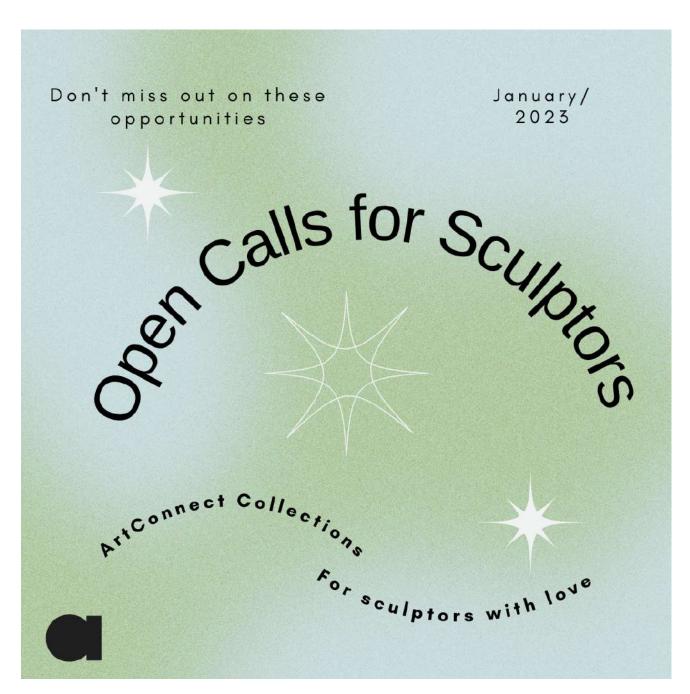
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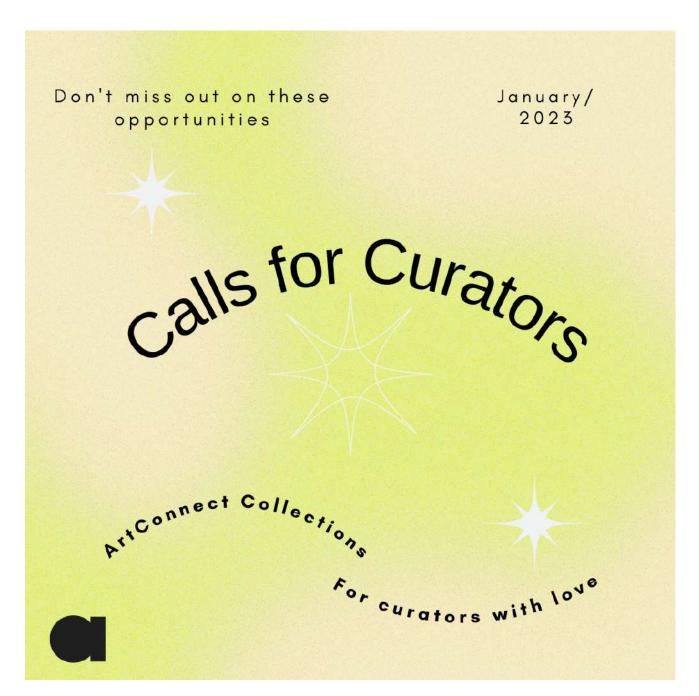
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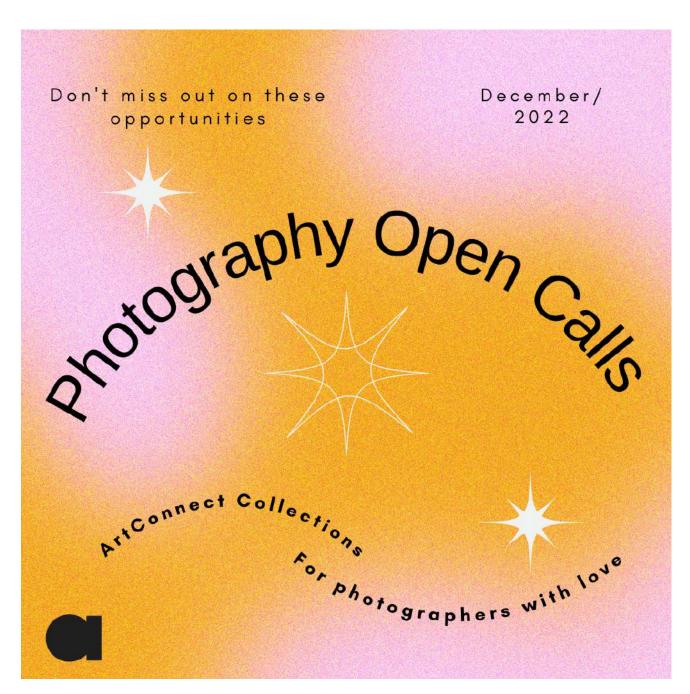
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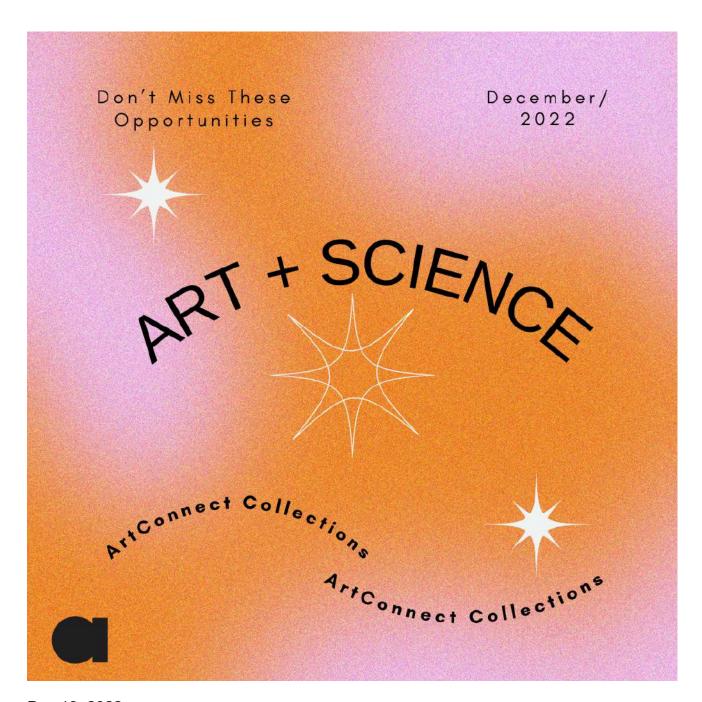
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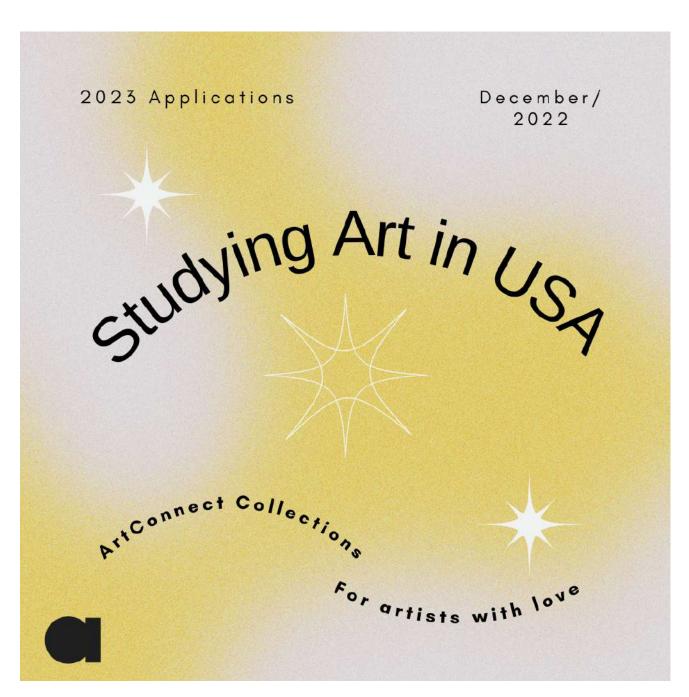
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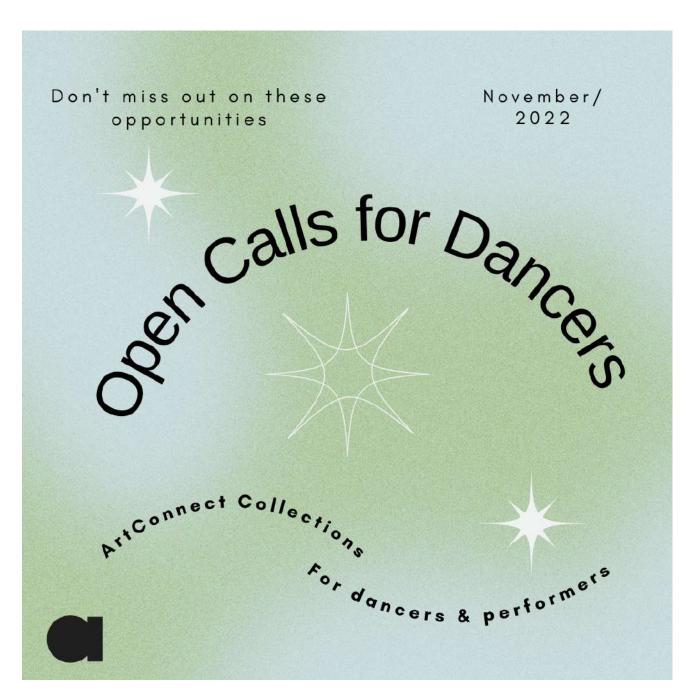
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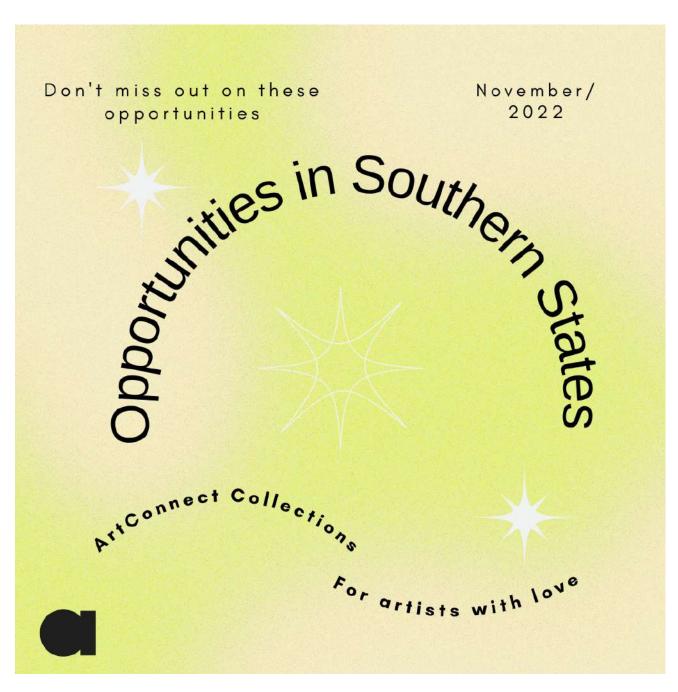
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