

# PARRAMATTA ARTISTS' STUDIOS

## **2020 ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE APPLICATION INFORMATION**

Parramatta Artists' Studios invites applications for 1, 2 or 3 month artist residencies in 2020 and 2021. Studios are available from 1 August 2020 - 30 June 2021.



Eat Talk Dance, 2019. Photo by Andrew Vincent

## **ABOUT PARRAMATTA ARTISTS' STUDIOS**

The energetic home for creative production in the centre of Western Sydney, Parramatta Artists' Studios (PAS) has supported hundreds of artists since opening in 2006. PAS provides a supportive studio environment for artists to develop their practices, whilst also connecting them with a community of peers and arts professionals.

In 2019, PAS expanded to open an additional studio facility in Rydalmere containing six warehouse-style studios. This new space focuses on engaging artists beyond an emerging career stage and re-engages with former PAS studio artists to contribute to career sustainability.

From our studios in Parramatta and Rydalmere, artists make, connect and find inspiration in this fast-growing location. Through PAS' creative programs, our artists engage with Parramatta and the wider community, contributing significantly to its vibrant culture.

## **ABOUT THE ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM**

The Artist-in-Residence (AIR) program of Parramatta Artists' Studios (PAS) offers a residential apartment and studio space to artists from outside of Sydney, Australia.

The program supports artists from diverse practices and across career stages, and cultivates a supportive environment for artists to progress their careers by providing:

- a subsidised studio space in the Parramatta CBD
- up to AUD \$500.00 materials budget
- professional development programs including curatorial visits
- a community and network of artists and arts workers
- opportunities to connect with artistic and local communities through public programs

**Please visit our webpage for more information about our annual program of events and activities:**

[parramattastudios.com.au](http://parramattastudios.com.au)

## APARTMENT INFORMATION

### Description of the apartment:

- 2 bedroom (one double-bed, one single-bed)
- 2 bathroom
- 2 balcony
- Combined lounge, dining and fully-equipped kitchen
- Laundry with washing machine and dryer
- Air conditioned (lounge, dining & kitchen area only)
- Fully furnished
- 1 on-site car spot
- Communal rooftop area



AIR Residential Apartment, lounge area. Photo by Alex Wisser

### All basic requirements are provided including:

- Bed linen (sheets, quilt, pillows etc)
- Bathroom linen (towels, bath mats etc) and equipment (hairdryer)
- Kitchen equipment and utensils (microwave, oven, toaster, kettle as well as pots, dinnerware and cutlery)
- Wifi
- TV, DVD player and stereo

### Other details

- The apartment is located on level 3 of a residential apartment block of 18 apartments.
- The apartment is a short 8 minute walk to the PAS studio facility where the artist-in-residence studio is located.
- The master bedroom has an ensuite and private balcony.
- Both balconies face north and currently overlook a development site (expected completion late 2020).
- Please note, there is no on-site reception or housekeeping service. Arrangements can be made for regular cleaning at a cost to the resident or partner/host organisation.
- Domestic recycling and waste services are provided.

### Attractions nearby

- Riverside Theatres (including National Theatre of Parramatta & FORM Dance Projects)
- Church Street's "eat street"
- Parramatta Park and Old Government House
- Lake Parramatta
- Various heritage sites including Elizabeth Farm, Experiment Farm Cottage and Hambleton Cottage
- Various Festivals including: Parramasala, Parramatta Lanes, Lunar New Year and more
- Other Western Sydney arts organisations in Blacktown, Penrith, Fairfield, Auburn, Campbelltown, Casula and more



AIR Residential Apartment

1. Kitchen.
2. Dining Area
3. Master Bedroom
4. View from the Balcony

Photos by Alex Wisser





Justine Youssef's studio, 2019. Photo by Andrew Vincent

## STUDIO INFORMATION

### **No. of studios available:**

One (1) studio space available, situated in a separate location from the residential apartment

### **Studio residency length:**

1, 2, or 3 month tenancies

### **Studio dates:**

Residencies are available from 1 August 2020 - 30 June 2021

### **Studio location:**

Level 2, 68 Macquarie Street, Parramatta, NSW, 2150, Australia

### **Weekly fee:**

The residency fee is AUD \$95.00 per week for the apartment and studio.

Please note that each additional person staying in the apartment will incur an additional fee of \$24.00 AUD. A maximum of three (3) people are permitted to stay in the apartment.

Fees are subject to change.

### **Shared facilities:**

Paint and chemical sink, kitchen, bathrooms, communal area and one shared car spot for loading/unloading.

### **Equipment access:**

Screens, projectors, DSLR camera, easels and wifi connection.



Sarah Rodigari's studio, 2019. Photo by Andrew Vincent

## **STUDIO DESCRIPTION:**

- approximately 25 sqm
- discrete lockable space
- power provided
- good natural light as well as fluorescent and/or LED lights
- air-conditioned and one openable window
- not acoustically treated, thus noise-generating artistic processes are not suitable
- carpeted floor, gyprock and masonry walls
- 24-hour access
- non-residential
- Fully furnished studio with work table, cupboard, shelving and chairs.

## **ACCESS INFORMATION:**

- Parramatta Artists' Studios is located on levels 1 and 2 at 68 Macquarie Street, Parramatta.
- Entry is via a ramp and automatic glass doors on the ground level.
- There is lift access to levels 1 and 2.
- There is an accessible toilet on the ground level, which requires a staff pass.
- Carers are welcome. Assistance animals are welcome and drinking water is available.
- Our premises are heated and air-conditioned.
- There is mixture of flicker free LED lights and fluorescent lighting in the studios and the building.
- PAS is located within 5 minute's walking distance from Parramatta train and bus terminal as well as 10 minutes from the Parramatta Ferry Wharf.
- Affordable car parking is available within the immediate area.
- There are mobility car spaces on Macquarie Street, near Marsden Street with additional paid mobility car spaces at the City Centre Car Park, 71 George Street, Parramatta (enter via Horwood Place).

**If you have any questions about access, please contact us.**



Bless their hands by Justine Youssef, part of Movers and Makers, 2019. Photo by Andrew Vincent

## HOW TO APPLY

Complete an online application form including the following information:

- Current Artistic Practice
- Outcomes of Studio Use
- Connection to Parramatta
- Artist CV
- Up to 10 examples of current work

Access the application form here: <https://parracity.smartygrants.com.au/AIR2020applications>

## ELIGIBILITY

Applications are open to:

- Artists from all disciplines, including but not limited to: painting, digital media, photography, performance, sculpture and writing
- Artists from regional Sydney, Interstate, and International artists
- Applicants 18 years old or over

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- Quality of work and originality of ideas
- Value of a residency to the development of the artist/s
- Value of residency's connection to Parramatta
- Suitability of art form for a residency

Allocation of residencies are undertaken by a Selection Committee established by City of Parramatta.

The Committee includes a practising artist, the PAS Director, an external arts industry representative and a City of Parramatta representative.

## KEY DATES

**Applications open** – 28 January 2020

**Applications close** – 24 March 2020, AEST midnight

**Applicants notified** – 1 May 2020

**Studio tenancies commence** – 1 August 2020 – 30 June 2021

## GET IN TOUCH

Our staff are available via email or phone to answer your questions.

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