

Trainee Program for Craft Works 2018

Kanazawa College of Art

Application Guidelines

Program Purpose

In 1995, the city of Kanazawa declared to be an “International City of Crafts” as one of its municipal administrative policies. In order to develop further as a city of hand craftsmanship, the city also made a declaration to be a “Fashion Industry City” in 2004, and was officially accredited as “UNESCO Creative City of Crafts and Folk Art” by UNESCO Creative Cities Network in 2009.

Kanazawa College of Art, one of the leaders for higher education in the field of arts and crafts in Japan, has implemented, from an international perspective, a trainee program for Asian Craft Works to stimulate the development of arts and crafts in Asian region. And furthermore, the college has decided to enhance the possibility of its trainee program, and not limiting the program only to Asian candidates, it is now announcing to recruit the trainee candidates from all over the world, beginning from the fiscal year of 2016.

This trainee program is for highly skilled craftsmen and applicants who would like to receive training for Craft Works at Kanazawa College of Art, and it partially supports the trainees’ financial costs in Kanazawa as necessary. The aims of this program are to cultivate talented craftsmen’s skills, to preserve and inherit the traditional craft techniques, and ultimately to develop the crafts industry.

Training Field

Any fields related to crafts and folk arts in view of the future development of craftsmanship

Training Period

The training period will be determined by the month as a unit, for maximally 12 months from April 2018 to March 2019.

Applicant Qualifications

- (1) A person with basic skill and knowledge in his/her craft work, who is expected to become a leader of craft works in future, and who can receive a recommendation from the organization he/she belongs.
Or a person with remarkable skill and knowledge in his/her craft work, who can be qualified as a research partner or a visiting instructor of Kanazawa College of Art.
- (2) A person with Japanese or English language ability in conversation level.

Number of Positions to be Admitted

Openings are limited.

Documents to be Submitted

- (1) Application Form
- (2) Two Photographs (Head and shoulder without hat. Sized 4.5×3.5cm) One of the photos must be attached to the application form.
- (3) One recommendation letter from the head of the organization to which the applicant belongs (Free Format)
- (4) One document certifying the applicant's business position or school status (Free Format)
- (5) One copy of the applicant's identification card or passport

Financial Grant

In case the applicant needs an economical support, 60000JPY/month (the base amount) will be provided as financial grant for the training expenses.

※The applicant who expects the grant must submit a document stating why he/she needs the financial support (Free Format and signed) with his/her income certification.

Selection Process

According to the college's rule, the selection of grant recipients will be made on the basis of the documents submitted. The applicant may be required to have an interview.

Application Deadline

In order to apply for the first round of recruitment, a complete set of applications MUST arrive at our office no later than September 30th, 2017.

※The applications received after the deadline date may be accepted. However, the applicants who meet the deadline will have a priority standing to receive the grant.

Submission Method

The applicant must fill out the necessary information in the application form, and send all the documents to be submitted to our Research Institute of Art and Design office by mail.

The application form is available with a request to the Research Institute by mail, and also on the website of Kanazawa College of Art.

Selection Results

The applicant will receive his/her notification of Selection Result by mail, and also by E-mail.

Contact Information

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Application Form

Name (Family / Given in English and in Block Letters)

Birth Date (month / day / year)

Sex Female / Male

Nationality

Permanent Home Address

Tel

E-mail

Name of Organization You Belong

Your Status at the Organization

Your Training Topics and Interest

Training Duration Expected at Kanazawa College of Art

From _____ to _____

Applicant Signature

Date _____

Head and shoulder
Photo
4.5×3.5 cm

