

Minnie Jane Artist Residencies

This Pendle Hill opportunity has been established as an endowment to support and encourage Quaker artists pursuing a self-directed creative project in the fine arts, crafts, performing arts, creative writing, music composition, or other artistic pursuit that is compatible with Pendle Hill's physical facilities, for purposes of Quaker expression, ministry, witness and outreach. The residencies were established to honor Minnie Jane, a Quaker artist who founded the Fellowship of Quakers in the Arts, an organization whose mission is to nurture the literary, visual, musical and performing arts within the Religious Society of Friends.

The grant provides room and board for the maximum duration of study covered by the full yearly distribution of this fund in a year at Pendle Hill -- with rigorous creative work expected during the residency. The maximum duration for this scholarship is approximately 15 weeks. At Pendle Hill's discretion, scholars may be asked to teach or to share their artistic gifts with the community during their residencies. Allowance for transportation to, and expenses while at, Pendle Hill are not included. The routines of community life at Pendle Hill, including its arts studio, are available to the Minnie Jane scholar as practical and spiritual resources. There may be an opportunity to participate in Pendle Hill's arts-related educational programs during the period of scholarship. Engaged participation in the community is expected, including morning worship, shared meals, and the daily job program.

Requirements include:

- Proposal for a specific achievable creative project in the fine arts, crafts, performing arts, creative writing, music composition, or other artistic pursuit demonstrating commitment to Quaker expression, ministry, witness and outreach,
- An endorsement letter from the monthly meeting's clerk,
- Two references from work or the Quaker Community regarding characteristics in community living,
- Commitment to facilitate a presentation of the project and learning to the monthly meeting within the six months following the residency at Pendle Hill.

To apply, complete <u>the online application form</u> by March 1st each year, for residencies that will occur between the following September through August. Decisions are made by a scholarship committee between March and May, and award notification will occur during June.