

Artspace's mission is to create, foster, and preserve affordable and sustainable space for artists and arts organizations. To foster a strong artist community within our projects, we encourage our residents to form committees to build and organize community relationships.

Resident Committees

Artspace complies with and operates within the requirements of federal, state, and local Fair Housing laws. Any resident who is in "good standing" for up to a 12-month period immediately preceding their participation, can serve on any Artspace Committee.

All committee meetings: 1) will be open to all residents in "good standing" 2) may include a property manager for continuity 3) will not have a power structure or hierarchy and 4) will be held in a common area. Meeting Notices announcing the date and time of meetings will be distributed in advance to all residents. At the meeting, notes must be taken and submitted to the Property Manager for distribution to all residents.

Artist Interview Committee (AIC)

The Artist Interview Committee conducts the interviews of applicants who have self-identified as artists on their housing application. This committee may include a local member of the broader arts community as well as an Artspace representative.

Artspace complies with and operates within the requirements of federal, state, and local Fair Housing laws. Therefore, any resident who serves on the Artist Interview Committee must agree to attend an Artspace hosted Fair Housing Training, and they must certify that they will abide by the Artspace Interview Committee rules, and all Fair Housing laws, rules, and regulations.

The committee meets in groups of at least three but no more than five participants. Since interview sessions require compliance, and timely attendance, the sessions are facilitated, conducted, and driven by either Artspace, or property management. If residents on the Artist Interview Committee do not meet within five business days to interview an applicant, the interview process defaults to Artspace and Property Management.

Exhibition/Events Committee

The Exhibition/Events Committee organizes events, shows, crawls, lectures, activities of all sorts that engage the community, provide exposure and marketability for the artists, and provides a platform for the broader community to visit and benefit from the residents' activities. These events require substantial coordination, resident involvement and responsibility. They must be balanced with the residential nature of the building, be sensitive to families, and conducted within local laws and regulations and not in violation of funding requirements. Please see the Artspace Exhibition Policies for Resident Community Spaces.

Activities include managing a process to hear types of events and resident ideas, set a calendar, coordinate volunteer activities, and communicate with property management about facility needs. Volunteer committee members will host the exhibits and events that take place.

Subcommittees may be formed for different smaller disciplines such as physical space (paint, hanging shows, etc.), others more in organizing, marketing, and managing the events.

The intensity of this committee varies with the interest and participation of the residents. Please ask your Artspace Asset Manager for examples of ways residents in our buildings across the country have activated their community spaces.

Other Committees

In addition to the two committees described above, residents may decide to organize other committees including:

- Gardening
- Spring or Fall clean-ups
- Communications
- Newsletter
- Security and Safety
- Community Outreach

Community Involvement

Residents connect with the broader community by organizing events and activities that engage their neighbors. Examples of other Artspace projects' community involvement include:

- Biannual St. Paul Artcrawl, Northern Warehouse and Tilsner Artist Lofts, St. Paul, MN (saintpaulartcollective.org)
- Pioneer Square First Thursday Art Walk at Tashiro Kaplan, Seattle, WA (pioneersquare.org/experiences/first-thursday-art-walk)
- Tannery Lofts Annual Open Studios, Artspace Tannery Lofts, Santa Cruz, CA (firstfridaysantacruz.com).

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AMERICA'S LEADER IN ARTIST-LED COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION

Artspace is a nonprofit organization that uses the tools of real estate development to create affordable places where artists can live and work. Artspace consistently develops these projects in ways that support stable, healthy communities, anchored in existing assets. Because Artspace owns each of the projects it develops, they are able to ensure that the spaces remain affordable and accessible to artists in perpetuity. With 50+ projects developed over the last four decades, Artspace has supported artist-led community transformation, representing a \$653 million investment in America's arts infrastructure. While embracing the value the arts bring to individual lives, Artspace has championed the once-radical idea that both artists living with financial hardship, and chronically underfunded arts organizations, can leverage fundamental social change. With headquarters in Minneapolis and offices in New York, and Washington D.C., Artspace is America's leading developer of arts facilities; and has served as a consultant to hundreds of communities and arts organizations nationwide.

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