

A to Z Wineworks, located at their REX HILL property in Oregon's Willamette Valley, seeks an Artist in Residence for Fall 2021 – Fall 2022.



The A to Z Artist in Residence program is a fifteen-month immersion in the natural cycle of a vintage from grapes to glass. The Artist in Residence will first work the 2021 vintage harvest as a paid intern, working alongside our seasonal harvest crew and year-round winemaking and production staff. Following the conclusion of harvest, the Artist in Residence will receive support from A to Z and access to staff and properties for a year of artistic reflection and creation. During the residency's second harvest, time is split between winery harvest and artistic work. The residency concludes with a public showcase of some of the year's work through a gallery showing, lecture, reading or performance.

About the Harvest Internship

At A to Z Wineworks, harvest is intense and filled with opportunity as fruit arrives from around the state - primarily Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, and Chardonnay, plus a cross-section of other varieties. This diversity of fruit comes from our LIVE-certified and Biodynamically farmed estate vineyards as well as from conventionally farmed locations across many different AVAs. The vineyard sizes range from several hundred acres to very small sites.

This paid internship position typically runs from mid-August through early November, depending on the season. We value interns who share in our company culture of working hard, working smart, and learning together. Our interns work with a team that has earned the most years of collective winemaking experience in Oregon, as well as experience that stretches from Burgundy to New Zealand. Our winemakers approach winemaking from different perspectives and they are willing to share what they know.

The internship presents a unique opportunity to learn more about winemaking on different production scales and with different stylistic goals. It provides a diverse work experience, including but not limited to, grape receival, sorting, pressing, punch downs, tank dig-outs, racking, transfers, barrel work, inoculations, wine movements, juice, must and wine additions, driving a forklift and as always, cleaning.

Harvest interns work a demanding schedule, which will almost certainly include long hours, overtime, and weekend work. The role requires the ability to stand and move for at least ten hours; to lift, bend, rotate, move and carry up to 40 pounds over the course of the shift and on a repetitive basis, and to climb stairs, ladders and work on catwalks. We expect people to work well within a team environment and work with individuals in a respectful manner that is consistent with the company's values.

About the Residency

Location: The Artist in Residence will primarily work at the REX HILL property in the Willamette Valley. The artist will have access to the winery, vineyards and staff throughout the course of the residency.

Duration: The residency begins with participation in the 2021 harvest as a Harvest Intern. Typically, harvest begins in mid- to late-August, and continues through early November. Following the conclusion of the harvest, the residency will commence.

Disciplines, work equipment and assistance: We are open to proposals from artists, writers and poets across all mediums and disciplines.

Support: The residency includes a monthly stipend of \$800 for the duration of the residency, beginning after completion of the harvest internship. Depending on the medium and artist's proposed focus, limited additional consideration may be provided in support of furnishing project materials. Housing is not included in the residency.

Expectations of the artist: A to Z Wineworks supports people, places, and culture. It seems especially important now to support the liberal arts that help us find ways to expand vision and engage with diverse, thoughtful perspectives that help us grow as human beings. The artist will be expected to engage with the staff and contribute to the culture of the winery through interactions and presentations, including providing materials to feature in regular internal communications. The artist will engage with the community at the end of the residency through a public showcase of some of the year's work in a gallery showing, lecture, reading or performance.

Application Information: Interested artists should submit the materials listed below by June 1, 2021:

- Brief resume highlighting work history and relevant qualifications
- Confirmation of availability for the length of the residency: August 2021 November 2022
- Artist's biography
- Statement of intent, including a one or two paragraph project description outlining your purpose for the residency
- Portfolio of relevant work

Please visit our website for full application details: https://rexhill.com/artist-in-residence/

About A to Z Wineworks

A to Z Wineworks captures "The Essence of Oregon" by carefully blending wines true to their variety exclusively sourced from Oregon vineyards. The family-owned company sets the standard for cool climate, food-enhancing Oregon Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, and Chardonnay. In 2014, A to Z Wineworks became a certified B Corporation, earning recognition as a 'Best for the World,' top 10% B Corp every year since.

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