

# HARWOOD ART CENTER

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Artist studios are available for rent on a month-to-month basis at the Harwood Art Center. Currently, there are about 45 artists who rent studios. Because of high demand, there is usually a waiting period of two to six months before a studio becomes available. Studios vary in size, shape, amount and direction of light, availability of plumbing and cost. The more flexible you are in your needs, the shorter the wait.

**Size** A number of studios are about 10 feet by 11 feet, others measure approximately 14 feet by 16 feet. Harwood also has a few studios of varying shapes ranging from 400 to 650 square feet of floor space. Ceiling height ranges from 8 feet to 12 feet.

**Cost** Rent ranges from \$125 to \$375 per month and is proportional to size. The cost of utilities is normally included unless a tenant has unusually high power needs. In addition to the first month's rent, the tenant must pay the following before moving in:

1. \$50.00 key deposit which is refundable if the tenant returns all keys when moving out.
2. \$50 damage/cleaning deposit which is refundable if the tenant leaves the studio clean and in good order.
3. Last month's rent in advance. This is applied to the final month's rent when the tenant gives 30 days notice that s/he is moving out.

Under some circumstances, Harwood will allow tenants to pay the damage/cleaning deposit and the last month's rent in several monthly installments.

**Telephones** At their option, and at their own expense, tenants may install a telephone in their studios. A public pay phone is also available.

**Building Access** In addition to studio keys, tenants are given an outside door key so that they may use their studios any time, day or night. **However, under no circumstances may anyone take up residence in a studio. City zoning regulations prohibit Harwood from renting residential spaces--this rule is strictly enforced.**

**General Behavior** The atmosphere at Harwood is informal, friendly and conducive to the creative process. Tenants are expected to help maintain this environment by not engaging in any activity that disturbs other tenants.

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**Building Security** There is staff available after hours to handle security and emergency repairs.

**Open Studio Night** Two times a year Harwood has Open Studio Night, often in conjunction with Arts Crawl. The event is well publicized, festive and always draws a large crowd. Visitors include many collectors, and a number of artists have sold their work during these events. Harwood strongly encourages renters to participate by opening their studios to the public and hanging work in the halls.

**Other Activities** Harwood offers a wide variety of activities including gallery shows, classes, workshops and performances. Harwood renters have the same access to these services as the general public. Renters' proposals for gallery shows, proposals for teaching classes and requests to participate in any other Harwood activities are given the same consideration as similar requests from the general public.

**Applying for a Studio** Persons wanting to be placed on the waiting list must fill out an application and come in for a personal interview with Harwood staff. Applicants must also submit a representative sample of their work in the form of slides, prints, electronic files, or photographs. Please label all pieces with your name, title, medium, size and year. Harwood requires this work sample in order to maintain a registry of current studio artists; Harwood does not usually accept or reject applicants on the basis of artistic merit.