



Art and Natural Resources Residency with Johnson County Park and Recreation District (JCPRD) August 2022 - October 2022

****Deadline for applications - February 3***

****Interviews with finalists - February 22***



JCPRD seeks an artist in residence to experience the forest ecosystem within Shawnee Mission Park by engaging with natural resource experts, trail builders, and non-profit partners to tell the story of saving the forest and trail system through the medium of art. The residency includes access to office/planning space within Shawnee Mission Park. It does not include overnight accommodations.

This Art and Natural Resources Residency will be the very first short-term residency program to engage a local artist at JCPRD. The artists will embed with our Natural Resource Team to learn, respond artistically, and amplify the importance of this work. This first project will focus on the important ecosystem of our forested areas of the parks which makes up approximately 43% of the park space at JCPRD.

The removal of invasive species like Bush Honeysuckle is crucial in order to maintain biodiversity and ecological resiliency of Johnson County and of our region. Images of bush honeysuckles can be found [HERE](#). The artists should focus their work and artistic interpretation on this material and its effects.

- 3-week residency in August of 2022 at Shawnee Mission Park working with the Natural Resource Team
- Ephemeral temporary art installation, visual exhibition, and public program will be completed by early October
- \$5,000 artists stipend (does not include overnight accommodations)
- Read the full project plan description [HERE](#).

