

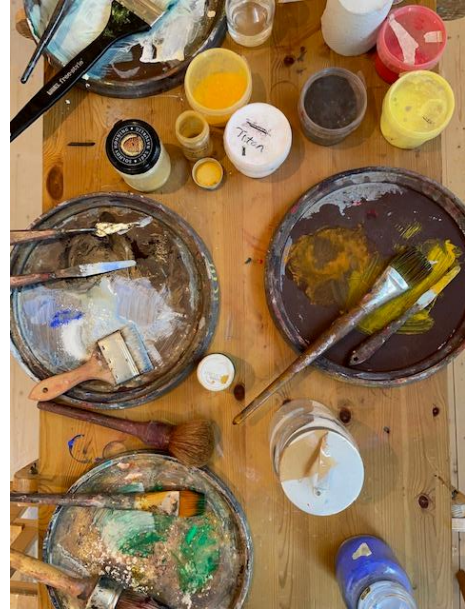
# Apply for residency stay at Dyrøya Kunstnervilla

---

*We are open for applications from artists / other creative people whose work relates to all artistic formats, writing, film, architecture or other shaping disciplines. You may apply for three ordinary work stays each year. All are fee based.*

## **Does a work stay at Dyrøya Kunstnervilla suit you?**

*Are you seeking a tranquil, naturally beautiful place for deep reflection? A space to develop your artistic expression?*



In short, Dyrøya Artist Villa offers peace and stunning natural surroundings with views of the sea and mountains. In winter, you can ski or snowshoe, and in summer, hike to fishing lakes or heights with 360-degree views. It's just a 5-minute walk down to the shore/sea.

Artist Kari Nordheim is available to assist with artistic inquiries. She works with painting, lithography, performance, and video, and through projects such as "Art in Arctic Nature" (Bodø 2024), "From Nature to Nature", "Arte Innuendo," Dyrøy Cultural Week, and Salangen Biennale 2021, she has built an extensive network with artists in painting, music, film, literature, and theatre.

Visit [www.karinord.no](http://www.karinord.no) for more information.

Our AIR offers started spring 2025, we launched a trial year where we invited artists to stay at a reduced rate in exchange for concluding their stay with a small exhibition, a lecture, or a presentation to give back to the local community. This was very well received.

You may apply as a single person or an already existing duo/group, who knows each other and did work together in cooperative projects earlier. National and international applicants are welcome.

***Keep reading if this sounds interesting!***

---

## WHERE?

*Our location and what to expect*

### **Dyrøy Municipality – Northern Norway**

Dyrøy is a small and scenic municipality located in Troms County, Northern Norway. Surrounded by fjords, mountains, and ocean views, it offers a peaceful and inspiring environment for reflection and creativity. The region is known for its rich coastal culture, strong community spirit, and proximity to both untouched nature and Arctic light. With a population of just over 1,000, Dyrøy provides a quiet and authentic setting for those seeking focus, inspiration, and connection to the natural surroundings of Northern Norway.



Dyrøya (island) is connected to the mainland by bridge, and Dyrøya Kunstnervilla is in the middle of the island. On the island itself there are not so many people living, about 100. But during summer and easter the number of people increases drastically. This is because there are so many holiday houses here, in Norwegian we call these houses, *hytter*. The nearest grocery shop is located at Brøstadbotn, 15 minutes by car. Here you also find a café, petrol station with kiosk, hairdresser, fishing shop, building material shop, gym, library, school, kindergarten, doctor`s office,

The nearest city is Finnsnes, a small city where you can find a shopping Senter (mall), and other specialist shops. Bigger cities in the area are Tromsø (2 hours by express boat or 3 by car/bus) and Harstad (1 hour by express boat or 2,5 by car/bus).

### **Practical conditions**

Dyrøya Artist Villa consists of a two-story house with a workspace on the second floor. There are three bedrooms with sleeping space for up to 6 people (see bed arrangement below). One of the bedrooms can alternatively be used as a workspace. Additionally, there is a summer-insulated workshop and another workshop at the main farmhouse 5 km further north (available in fall 2025). Heating is electric, but there is also the option to use a wood stove.

As an artist staying at Dyrøya Kunstnervilla we expect you to be interested in the area and that you can communicate in Norwegian or English. We also expect you to take good care of the house and keep it clean and tidy during your stay. You will be responsible for your own meals, and we will arrange trips to the local grocery store (1500 km from the house) once a week and to the nearest shopping Senter if needed. Basic equipment for cooking you will find in the house. Se below for more information.



*Are you our next visiting artist?*

---

## WHEN?

*When is it possible to apply for residency?*

**We offer three periods for residency stays each year:**

1. period: March and April
2. period: August and September
3. period: October and November

## Deadlines:

1. January 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 3 August 1<sup>st</sup>.



## WHY?

*Why apply for a stay at Dyrøya Kunstnervilla?*

A visit to Dyrøya Kunstnervilla is something we hope will inspire creativity, curiosity, and a sense of wonder. Just outside your door, you'll find striking natural surroundings—mountains, ocean, and forest all within close reach. You'll also could take part in the daily life of a working farm located about five kilometres from the house. At the farm there are sheep, goats, chickens. Depending on the season, you can experience farm life as we do it in Northern Norway.



Activities may include mountain hikes, forest bathing, sea swimming and fishing, ice bathing and ice fishing in winter, as well as guided tours in the local area. You'll also have the chance to experience the unique culture of Dyrøy—through both the people and the natural environment.

Our ateliers and workshops are mostly located at near the house. But also, at the farm there are some work areas. You will have access to some professional tools, but we expect you to bring most of your own with you when you arrive. Please, just ask if there is something you are wondering about regarding tools and equipment.



## WHAT

### What we offer and expect

- For a work stay we do not pay honorarium  
*(The work stays are open for your individual projects)*
- We expect you to contribute to the local community at the end of your stay with. This can be a workshop, concert, reading, course, etc. Please tell us about your ideas in your application.
- Travel expenses to and from Dyrøy must be covered by you. We offer transportation to and from nearest airport (Bardufoss BDU), and express-boat-terminal (Brøstadbotn Hurtigbåtkai) for a small fee.
- We charge a fee of NOK 300, - + 150, - per person per day which cover costs for:
  - housing
  - atelier, workshop and other workspaces (inn- & outdoors)
  - access to some professional tools and equipment
  - guidance and practical help from the team at Dyrøya Kunstnervilla AS and the artist Kari Nord



We will be helpful with a letter of intent and documentation about Dyrøya Kunstnervilla which you can use for your individual funding applications to cover daily fee and travel expenses.

### Costs:

*Price/fee per day: 300 NOK + 150 NOK per person (example: 2 artists = 300 + 150 x 2 NOK = 600 NOK)*

*Transport from/to Bardufoss airport: round trip NOK 1400*

*Transport from/to Express-boat-terminal (Brøstadbotn Hurtigbåtkai): round trip 400 NOK*

### ROOMS:

- *Three bedrooms*
  - No. 1: With double bed*
  - No. 2: With bunk bed*
  - No. 3: With single bed/sofa bed, alternatively study*
- *Living room/Kitchen*
- *Bathroom*
- *Hall*
- *Attic living room/workroom.*

## FACILITIES:

### Bedroom:

- *Bed linen*
- *Duvets and pillows*
- *Simple storage*

### Bath:

- *Washing machine*
- *Heating cables in the floor*
- *Shower*
- *Hair dryer*
- *Towel dryer*
- *Drying rack for clothes*



### Kitchen/Living room.

- Sofa group
- Dining table with room for six
- Wood stove
- Dishwasher
- Refrigerator
- Stove
- Kettle
- Coffee maker
- Cups and plates
- Cutlery
- Simple kitchen equipment for cooking



### Hall/Entry:

- Simple storage for clothes
- Freezer
- Cleaning equipment



## TO REMEMBER TO BRING WITH YOU:

- Towles
- Toilet paper
- Hygiene articles
- Groceries, including detergent and dishwasher detergent.
- Food and drink
- Clothing and footwear adapted to the season (ask us if you are not familiar with arctic weather conditions)