

SCHOOLS OF VISUAL ARTS

The Royal Danish
Academy of Art

Professorship at the School of Media Arts at The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts' Schools of Visual Arts

The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Schools of Visual Arts invites applications for a position as professor at the School of Media Arts' graduate programme from prominent visual artists with substantial practice experience.

The position must be filled from 1 September 2026.

About the School of Media Arts

The School of Media Arts works with the spatial, media-based, and digital forms of expression in contemporary art – including video art, film, interactive forms, moving images, and immersive installation practices in the field of visual arts.

You are expected to have a proven visual arts practice in one or more of these areas mentioned above and be capable of presenting diverse artistic, historical, and methodological perspectives in your teaching. Furthermore, it is a prerequisite that you are familiar with the diverse expressions of contemporary art and are motivated to teach and mentor students with very differing practices and standpoints – also outside your particular field of expertise.

As a professor, you will be responsible for ensuring a positive study environment within your department, developing and strengthening the subject area through your artistic practice and exhibition activities. We also expect that, through your teaching and curriculum planning, you will develop and enhance students' opportunities to realise their visions in visual arts production at the highest level throughout their professional careers.

Your responsibilities

As professor at the School of Media Arts, you will also act as head of studies for your department. You will have the overall responsibility for teaching and supervision of the department's students, planning the department's semester schedules, and ensuring the quality of teaching in accordance with the Schools of Visual Arts' quality policy and study regulations in collaboration with Head of Education and Artistic Research at the Schools of Visual Arts. The teaching is conducted in Danish or one of the Scandinavian languages and English.

You are expected to participate in the Schools' various committees and boards or study and thereby contribute to the institution's development. You are also expected to examine the department's graduating students and participate in the admission of new students to both graduate and undergraduate programmes. The position includes artistic research which is based on your own visual arts practice and exhibition activities.



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Pedagogical principles

The teaching is based on the principles of Student-Centred Learning, where students take an active part in their own learning. The teaching supports artistic independence, critical reflection, and problem-solving through individual practice, workshops, and courses. Applicants without documented pedagogical experience are expected to complete a teacher training programme within the first two years of employment.

About the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Schools of Visual Arts

The Schools of Visual Arts is a higher education institution under the Ministry of Culture Denmark and offers undergraduate and graduate degree programmes in visual arts.

The programmes aim to develop students' artistic practice and qualify them for a career as professional visual artists. The graduate programme comprises four schools, each headed by a professor, with some ninety-five students enrolled, divided into three classes.

Moreover, the exhibition venue Kunsthal Charlottenborg forms part of the institution's overall activities.

Your qualifications

Applicants are expected to possess:

- a master's degree in visual arts or an equivalent qualification
- a professional artistic practice at a high international level
- documented exhibition activities at established art institutions, galleries, or comparable venues
- teaching experience from higher-education art programmes
- articulated knowledge about pedagogical practice and methodology
- in-depth knowledge of Danish and international contemporary art
- experience of administrative tasks, including course planning
- strong collaborative skills and proficiency in English

If the applicant does not already speak Danish or one of the Scandinavian languages, such language proficiency is expected within two years of employment.

Experience with artistic research will be considered an advantage.

Salary and employment conditions

The position is filled for a period of six years with an option to extend this for up to three years. Working hours are thirty hours per week.

The position is classified in salary grade 37 and filled on collective agreement terms. Holidays are taken in July, between Christmas and New Year, and at Easter. August and part of September are reserved for artistic research and planning of the academic



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year.

The academic year runs from 15 September until 30 June.

The place of work is the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts, Schools of Visual Arts. The position requires presence at the Schools of Visual Arts and taking an active part in the educational and professional environment.

The teaching language is Danish or a Scandinavian language or English, whereas the administrative language is Danish. We expect the professor to be able to function within this framework.

Recruitment procedure

The appointment is made in accordance with executive order no. 1123 of 22 August 2018 on the appointment of artistic/scientific staff at specified educational institutions under the Ministry of Culture Denmark.

The process is expected to last between four and six months.

Your application

- **Applications must be received by the Schools of Visual Arts on or before 20 April 2026**
- Applications are sent via the link below [APPLY HERE](#) and addressed to Rector Lars Bent Petersen
- The written application must not exceed three standard pages; in addition, documentation of completed education, CV, and portfolio must be attached.

Applications must include:

- Application with CV and portfolio
- Documentation of completed education
- Description of teaching experience and pedagogical qualifications
- Applicant's ideas and ambitions for teaching and developing the School of Media Arts
- An account of the applicant's artistic practice and methodology
- Completed CV summary can be downloaded here: [CV-Summary](#). The form must be completed and uploaded together with the application form.

Physical materials and references to websites and digital platforms are not included in the assessment.

Contact

Please direct any questions you might have to Rector Lars Bent Petersen: lars.bent.petersen@kunstakademiet.net Learn more here: www.kunstakademiet.dk

The Schools of Visual Arts encourages all qualified candidates to apply for the position regardless of personal background.

[APPLY HERE](#)

