

APPLICATION for ARTISTS' CERTIFICATION

This application was developed and is being distributed so that artists will have a convenient means for applying for both the certification by the Department of Cultural Affairs for artists housing and qualification for participation in the NAWC Prescription Drug Program.

CERTIFICATION: This application was designed so that the Certification Committee of the Department of Cultural Affairs could evaluate from the information you supply the degree of your commitment to your creative work and any need you might have for large areas of work space. The Committee does not, in any sense, make judgments as to the aesthetic qualities of an artist's efforts. Formal certification means only that an individual is qualified to live and work in a loft in the SOHO area of the city or in a legal A.I.R. loft. Two artists wishing to share a working/living loft should submit individual applications.

The Department does not provide information on the availability of working/living lofts nor whether a particular space is or is not a legal legal/working floor, building or area. The visual artist must seek out and acquire legal access and tenancy by his own efforts. There are some limitations relative to the size of the premises however, which would determine occupancy. Lofts in excess of 3,600 square feet or under

1,200 square feet are considered illegal (refer to excerpt of law below). Further information may be obtained by calling the Department of Cultural Affairs at 360-8214.

Excerpts from the City Planning Commission Calendar

A joint living-work quarters for artists consists of one or more rooms in a non-residential building, on one or more floors, which are arranged and designed for use by, and are used by not more than four non-related artists, or an artist and his family maintaining a common household, with lawful cooking space and lawful sanitary facilities, and including adequate space reserved for the artist or artists residing therein. An artist is a person so certified by the New York City Department of Cultural Affairs.

PRESCRIPTION PROGRAM: Qualification for certification by the Department of Cultural Affairs also qualifies the applicant for participation in the NAWC Prescription Drug Program. Because we are not funded by the city, however, there must be a processing fee of two dollars (\$2.00) which should accompany this application.

Please send completed application to:
National Art Workers Community
32 Union Sq/E, New York City 10003



NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____

PROFESSIONAL NAME IF DIFFERENT _____

1. For residents of SoHo lofts

If you currently live or are about to move into an M1-5AB loft,

a. How long have you lived there?

b. What is its size in square feet? _____

c. How many square feet is or will be used for your work?

2. If you do not live in an M1-5AB loft at present:

a. What is your present amount of living space in square feet?

b. What is your present amount of work space in square feet?

c. How much work space (in square feet) do you need?

3. Please describe your particular art form and tell us why it demands a large space for its creation or expression.

4. Please give a biographical resume pertinent to your work. Include educational background; professional training; public exhibitions and/or performances; critical reviews; and any grants, awards, or fellowships.

5. Should you feel that the biographical resume requested does not give a full enough picture of you as an artist you may do the following:

a) Submit slides, photographs, or additional documentation appropriate to your work. You will be notified when you may pick up this material after the certification process.

and/or

b) Contact the Department of Cultural Affairs and request that representatives from the Certification Committee set up a personal interview with you at your studio.

6. Please list the names and addresses of two people familiar with your work, who may be contacted regarding your commitment as an artist and your need for large living-working space.
