# 2020 BOTANICAL ARTIST IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM AT THE OAK SPRING GARDEN FOUNDATION

We are now accepting applications for our inaugural Botanical Artists in Residence Program (BAiR). The aim of this program is to extend our support for artists to practitioners of botanical illustration – which sits at a unique intersection of art and science and is well represented in the Oak Spring Garden Library collection.

#### The Award

Awardees will be granted a \$1,500 award and will stay on-site at the Oak Spring estate in Upperville, Virginia for a minimum of two weeks and a maximum of four weeks sometime during the period April 1 – May 22, 2020. All awardees are provided housing accommodation and 24-hour access to studio space. Transportation to/from Washington, D.C. is the responsibility of the applicant. Oak Spring will arrange and pay for ground transportation to/from Oak Spring (from either Dulles Airport or Union Station).

### Eligibility

The awardees must be available (and have their own visa, if a non-resident/citizen) for a residency on the Oak Spring estate in Upperville, Virginia for a minimum of two weeks and a maximum of four weeks during the period April 1 – May 22, 2020.

# **Application Process**

- To begin your application, please create a profile and login to our OSGF Applicant Portal at <u>osgf.force.com/grantee/</u>. Once you are logged in, select "Explore Grant Opportunities" in the upper left and select "2020 Botanical Artists Application." You will be prompted to submit:
  - i. a resume/curriculum vitae (not to exceed 3 pages);
  - ii. a short description of your creative practice and how you would benefit from a residency at Oak Spring;
  - iii. five images of your best works (required) and any and relevant links/uploads to/of an online portfolio of work (optional); and
  - iv. references who can speak to your artistic practice and suitability as a resident. (Successfully completed residencies at other arts organizations or botanical institutions will be an asset.)

Applicants are expected to have demonstrated artistic excellence over time and to have been selected to exhibit in international juried exhibitions of botanical art. All images submitted must be of art executed by hand in two-dimensional media including watercolor, pencil, pen and ink, colored pencil, mixed media, oil, acrylic, gouache, egg tempera, and original prints (aquatints, etchings, etc.).

You may encounter errors in creating an application profile if you use Safari as your web browser. Please try using a different web browser, and if you continue to encounter issues, try clearing your cache. **Deadline for receipt of applications is November 8, 2019 at midnight EST**. Our goal is to notify all applicants on the status of our selections by mid-December 2019.

## Works produced as part of BAiR

The award is contingent upon the awardee submitting one original work that Oak Spring obtains full copyright to, and which will become part of The Oak Spring Florilegium. As a Florilegium, awardees' subjects must be chosen from plants in Oak Spring's living collection during the period of residency. Awardees will also be asked to provide digital submissions of other works started or completed on-site for an archive held at Oak Spring. However, the artists may keep their original sketches and any additional original works produced as part of the residency.

