



MAY 13

Dear RU Community and friends,

Welcome to week #9. As NYC and countries around the world begin to re-open, we are feeling the inklings of hope that we will be able to convene again in person soon.

In the meantime, read on to learn about RU's featured project of the week, The Ant Project founded by Guadalupe García. Meet Ziyang Wu, one of four artists participating in the 2020 NYC Artist Residency Program, and be sure to follow RU on Instagram today (Wednesday) for Wu's takeover. Visit RU's first virtual exhibition *Postcards from Home*, and check out our weekly list of COVID-19 resources, ways to help, and RU's staff recommendation for inspiring knowledge.

If you have COVID-19 resources or ways to help that you would like us to share, please email info@residencyunlimited.org.

Take care and be safe,
The RU Team

Project of the Week

The ANT Project, founded by Guadalupe García (Mexico/Florida), is “a community of content creators emulating the functioning of an ant colony: a horizontal structure where the interaction of its members creates a common space which, as an ant colony, nurtures the whole community through the diversity and specificity of its members.” Take a look and join the

community [here](#).



Online Programming

Ziyang Wu's practice is centered on how the virtual world micro-alienates individuals in our post-digital and highly alienated society with a focus on Trade war, 5G networks, Black Mirror reality technology, and algorithm bias. In [this](#) presentation, he focuses on the 2019 project *A Woman with the Technology*.



RU is delighted to introduce the new YVAA Instagram account! The Young Visual Artists Award Program (YVAA) is a network of 12 organizations that grant artists from Central and Eastern Europe with a two-month residency hosted by RU each year. Artists are selected through an open call for proposals overseen by an independent and international jury. The YVAA initiative is funded by The Trust for Mutual Understanding.

Follow YVAA on Instagram [@yvaa](https://www.instagram.com/yvaa) for open calls, award notifications, exhibitions, residency testimonials, alumni news, and more. For more information about YVAA, email camille@residencyunlimited.org

COVID-19 Resources

To keep up to date on where things stand by region, New York State has launched a new [regional monitoring dashboard](#) that is updated daily. Additionally, the [NY Forward Reopening Plan](#), provides a clear and complete guide to reopening.

[ILYSM](#), a community of creatives, is giving a weekly \$500 grant to an artist with financial need whose main source of income has been compromised by COVID-19 shutdowns. Submissions for this week close May 14 at 12:00pm EST. Apply [here](#).

[Virtual NYC](#) promotes organizations that are offering virtual experiences online. To view experiences across the five boroughs while social

distancing, or to include your experiences in this program, click [here](#).

How To Help

[Works for Workers](#) supports domestic workers through the National Domestic Workers Alliance. Founded in 2007, [NDWA](#) works for the respect, recognition, and inclusion in labor protections for domestic workers, the majority of whom are immigrants and women of color. All proceeds from artwork sales go directly to the NDWA. Sales end May 18. Buy art and support workers [here](#)!

“Do one thing for free and fair elections.” Join [DJ Spooky](#) Paul D. Miller aka That Subliminal Kid on Fri, May 15 at 4pm EST for a Townhall gathering with [One For Democracy](#) to dialog about the possibility and potential of reclaiming our democracy from the current regime. Learn more about the One for Democracy Action Fund [here](#).

[Res Artis](#), a worldwide network of Art Residencies in partnership with UCL (University College London) is conducting a COVID-19: Impact Survey on the Arts Residencies Field. The survey examines the immediate impact in order to analyze the medium-term and long-term effects. Artists and organizations, complete the survey [here](#).

RU Staff Recommendation

Virtual visits with [@artnoir](#) is a weekly Instagram Live series highlighting contemporary artists making art during the quarantine. Upcoming visits on Thursdays at 5pm EST include Aya Brown on May 14, February James on May 21 and Curtis Santiago on May 28. [ARTNOIR](#) is a global collective of culturalists who design experiences aimed to engage this generation’s dynamic and diverse creative community.

VIRTUAL VISITS

WITH

ARTNOIR

Every Thursday / 5 PM EST / 2 PM PST

ON IG LIVE

FEATURING:

Alfred Conteh
May 7

Aya Brown
May 14

February James
May 21

Curtis Santiago
May 28

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