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## **Wexford Science & Technology Partners with *Artist + Researcher Exhibition (ARx)* To Expand to Philadelphia**

***Call for Applications Now Open for Artists and Researchers***

**September 22, 2025 – Philadelphia, PA – Wexford Science & Technology, LLC and Artist + Researcher Exhibition (ARx)** today announced the launch of a new partnership and expansion of the **Artist + Researcher Exhibition (ARx) program** to **Philadelphia, PA**, building on four successful years of programming in Phoenix Bioscience Core–Wexford's Knowledge Community in Phoenix, AZ. In Philadelphia, where Wexford is a development partner in the vibrant **uCity Square** community, ARx will pair professional artists and scientific researchers in true cross-disciplinary collaboration, bringing scientific discovery to life through creative expression and making complex ideas accessible to broader audiences.

Unlike commissioned projects, ARx is designed as a co-creation master class. Each team, comprised of one professional artist and one scientific researcher, develops an original concept that reflects ongoing research and translates it into an engaging work of art in a medium of their choosing. While the researcher inspires the topic and the artist leads the fabrication, both collaborators share responsibility for shaping the process, storytelling, and final presentation.

“ARx Philadelphia is an opportunity to be part of a transformational cohort that bridges the arts and sciences and brings together a community of creatives,” said Kiersten Mailler, Knowledge Community Director at uCity Square. “We are building upon the foundational program created in Phoenix and putting a local Philly twist on it to benefit our home-grown professionals. This group will grow in tandem and strengthen one another's work and networks in ways no one can predict but are so excited to witness.”

### **ARx Philadelphia Program Highlights**

- Applications open September 22, 2025, and close October 15, 2025.
- Selected artists and researchers will be notified by November 3, 2025.
- Each team will receive a \$1,000 honorarium to support supplies.

- Teams will have nine months to collaborate and will participate in at least two public presentations.
- Completed works will be exhibited in multiple venues, including uCity Square in Philadelphia and a second location to be announced, with installations scheduled for August 2026 and exhibitions running September to November 2026.
- Priority will be given to artists and researchers based in the Greater Philadelphia region, though applications from areas outside of the region will also be considered.

In addition to public exhibitions, ARx participants will engage in studio visits, mentorship sessions, and opportunities to showcase their process. The collaborative journey is as central as the finished piece, with past participants citing the program's impact on how they think, listen, create, and communicate.

## Call for Applications

Wexford invites artists and researchers eager to challenge assumptions, embrace experimentation, and work in true partnership to apply. The program values open-mindedness and a willingness to explore new ways of storytelling at the intersection of science and art.

Applications open **September 22, 2025** and are due by **October 15, 2025**. For full details on eligibility, timelines, FAQs, and submission guidelines, please visit: <https://ucitysquare.com/arx>.

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## About uCity Square

Located in Philadelphia's University City neighborhood, uCity Square is a multi-disciplinary, collaborative, mixed-use community consisting of laboratory, clinical, academic, office, retail, and residential space. As Philadelphia's central hub for medical and life science innovations, particularly in cell and gene therapy, uCity Square is connected to top-tier colleges and universities, independent research institutions, world-renowned hospitals, and is a center of connectivity for residents, students, professionals, and entrepreneurs alike. uCity Square is a dynamic environment for innovation and collaboration among private industry and top-tier research institutions such as the University of Pennsylvania and its Hospital, Drexel University, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, Monell Chemical Senses Center, and The Wistar Institute. uCity Square is a development of Wexford Science & Technology, LLC, in partnership with the University City Science Center as the community's primary engagement partner.

and Ventas, Inc. (NYSE: VTR) as the primary investor. For more information about uCity Square, visit [www.ucitysquare.com](http://www.ucitysquare.com).

### **About Wexford Science & Technology, LLC**

Wexford Science & Technology, LLC, is a private real estate company exclusively focused on partnering with universities, academic medical centers, and research institutions to develop vibrant, mixed-use, amenity-rich Knowledge Communities that are built on a foundation of research, discovery, innovation, entrepreneurial activity, corporate engagement, and community inclusion. These Knowledge Communities create visible outcomes in the form of substantial economic growth, new and diverse jobs, and community transformation. Wexford targets strategic opportunities with top-tier research universities that are seeking to create knowledge-led economic development impact for their campuses, cities, and regions. Presently Wexford has developed 17 Knowledge Communities across North America. For more information about Wexford, visit [www.wexfordscitech.com](http://www.wexfordscitech.com).

### **About Artist + Researcher Exhibition (ARx)**

The Artist + Researcher Exhibition (ARx) aims to bring local science communication to a broader audience allowing for complex topics to be understood by the masses. Founded by the Phoenix Bioscience Core in Phoenix, Arizona, these collaborators explore the intersections of art and science, **transforming groundbreaking research into creative works** that spark dialogue, curiosity, and community connection.

Now expanding to Philadelphia at uCity Square, the program allows for professional artists and scientific researchers to pair up as a team. Over the course of several months, each team will co-create an original work of art inspired by the researcher's work and the artist's vision. These pieces will debut in a public exhibition the following year, showcasing the unique blend of scientific discovery and artistic expression at the heart of the growing Phoenix and Philadelphia bioscience and creative communities.