Become a Guest Art Teacher in Jingdezhen, China

Welcome to Jingdezhen

The world-famous porcelain capital of China. At ChineseSources.org, we offer a unique opportunity for international ceramic and visual artists to live, create, and teach in a city steeped in 1,000 years of ceramic tradition.

What Is the Guest Art Teaching Program?

This program is a partnership. Whether you're a potter, sculptor, painter, or visual artist, we help you design a course, recruit students, and share income from tuition. It offers flexible schedules and support, allowing you to focus on your art and teaching while we handle logistics. To ensure your class runs successfully, we ask that teachers arrive 1–2 months in advance to prepare their course and begin student recruitment.

Why Teach in Jingdezhen?

Jingdezhen is a thriving art hub, home to:

- Six art schools with sponsorships for visiting artists
- 100+ pottery training studios
- Four famous flea markets where artists can sell their work
- A vibrant community of young artists and art students

What Can You Teach?

You can design your own course based on one of your strengths:

- Ceramic painting (overglaze or underglaze)
- Wheel-throwing
- Sculpting and hand-building
- Porcelain panel painting
- Ceramic decoration techniques
- Multimedia art (film, photography, digital art related to ceramics)

Who Are Your Students?

Your students include:

- Adult hobbyists and retirees
- Teenagers and young adults (with or without experience)
- Art school applicants building portfolios
- International students on short-term residencies

At the end of the program, students receive a completion certificate from ChineseSources.org.

What Facilities & Studio Access?

We provide:

- Electric & foot-powered wheels
- Glazing rooms
- Gas & electric kilns
- All necessary ceramic tools

All studio fees and materials are covered in the student tuition.

How much to earn?

You decide your course fee. ChineseSources.org keeps 40% to cover costs and logistics. We handle student payments. Your earnings 60% after minus a 12.5% tax. US-based teachers receive a 1099 tax form.

What expectation?

You are expected to:

- Arrive 1 or 2 months early to prepare and promote your course
- Participate in livestream sessions for promotion
- Help with student communication (translation provided)

What is it like, Live, Teach, and Sell in Jingdezhen?

You can work on your personal projects and sell your work (as long as it doesn't conflict with class hours) at:

- Taoxichuan Art Market
- Sculpture Factory Market
- Sanbao Ceramic Art Village
- Zhushan East Market

We also support online selling via Etsy, Amazon, and more. Storage, packing, and local shipping services are available.

What' s the cost for art teacher-in-residence?

We provide fully furnished single rooms with private or shared bathrooms.

Feature	Cost	Favor
Accommodation 1 person 1 month	750 /month	Waived
Studio Access 1 person	150 USD/month	Waived
Airfare round trip 1 person	500 – 2000 USD	Self-paid
Foods materials supply 1 person self-cook	400USD /month	Waived
Required artworks Donation	Uncertain	Not required

Application & Visa Support

A one-time \$98 membership fee includes:

- Visa invitation letter & support
- Airport/train pickup
- Student promotion & housing help

Most teachers apply for a tourist visa. We help you get the paperwork done.

How to Apply?

Step-by-step:

- 1. Fill out the online form
- 2. Submit your resume
- 3. Provide 2 recommendation letters
- 4. Share 5–10 photos/videos of past teaching works

Apply at least 45 days in advance to allow time for preparation.

After Approval

- Online interview & teaching plan finalization
- Course promotion begins
- We assist with travel, accommodation, and visa

You are free to travel or stay in China after your program. Let us know if you need

help extending your visa.

How to collaborate to market and sell your courses?

We help promote your course on:

- YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, Pinterest

- Douyin, Xiaohongshu, WeChat, Kuaishou, Baijiahao

Teachers must participate in social media promotion, livestream and begin promotion 1–2 months in advance.

Do foreign teachers need to speak Chinese?

Not at all! As long as you speak fluent English, you're good to go. We provide interpreters or automatic translation devices to ensure smooth communication.

How long do the courses last?

Courses usually run during winter and summer holidays, lasting 10–15 days. Each program includes 6 days of teaching and 6 days of ceramic industry tours, visits, and hands-on experiences.

When should teachers arrive to prepare?

Teachers can choose flexible dates, but we expect them to arrive at least 1 month in advance to prepare course content and begin student recruitment. Teachers should plan to arrive **1–2 months** before their program starts.

What kind of visa assistance to provide?

Yes! We issue invitation letters for teachers planning 1–6 month stays to support your tourist visa application. Note: This is a partnership-based program, not formal employment. Most teachers apply using tourist visas, and earnings are subject to your home country' s tax regulations.

Do you provide airport pickup services?

Yes! We offer free pickup at the following locations:

- * Jingdezhen Airport
- * Jingdezhen North High-Speed Railway Station

A staff member will meet you upon arrival and help you transfer smoothly to your accommodation.

Can I work in other studios while in Jingdezhen?

With permission from ChineseSources.org, teachers are allowed to:

- * Participate in programs with Jingdezhen Ceramic University
- * Teach short-term courses at private studios
- * Collaborate with local artists to explore business opportunities

We' re happy to help you connect with the broader pottery community beyond your own teaching schedule.

Is this a full-time job?

ChineseSources.org provides accommodation, meals, co-working collaboration, and visa support.

We expect our guest teachers to focus full-time on our program.

Any additional activities—such as personal projects, travel, or collaborations with other artists in China—should be done with prior approval from us.



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