



The Aldo and Estella Leopold Residency

In the fall of 1912 Aldo Leopold, the newly appointed supervisor of the Carson National Forest, married Estella Luna Otero Bergere, a prominent daughter of Santa Fe, and together they moved into their new house, “Mi Casita,” in the remote village of Tres Piedras, New Mexico. One hundred years later, in the summer of 2012, the doors to Mi Casita opened to a new generation of writers, thinkers, and artists interested in exploring connections in our communities and cultures, and in our lives and landscapes. The Aldo and Estella Leopold Residency provides an inspiring retreat for writers and artists in the physical context of the Leopold’s first home, and in the intellectual context of land ethics. Our mission is to enhance the relevance and cultural awareness of Aldo Leopold’s ideas in addressing the pressing environmental issues and conservation opportunities of our time.

Residents are invited for up to a one-month stay at Mi Casita during the months of May to October. Each year the Residency’s steering committee invites two writers (selected from a pool of college students, graduate students, post-graduate students, and other emerging and mid-career professional writer applicants) to become residents. Each resident receives a stipend of \$500 to help defray travel and living expenses. In exchange, and in addition to whatever other projects the resident pursues, each resident commits to offering a public presentation of their work in nearby Taos, New Mexico, sometime during or immediately after their Mi Casita stay.

Details

Ages: Adults

Races: All

Genders: All

Intake Process: Online Application

Payment Options: Free

Waiting List: Never

Contact: Anthony Anella

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Restrictions: For College Students, Graduate Students, Post-Graduate Students, and Other Emerging and Mid-Career Professional Writers

Services

Educational Programs Post-Secondary Education Environmental Protection & Improvement Arts & Culture

Locations

The Aldo and Estella Leopold Residency

*P.O. Box 40122 SE
Albuquerque, NM 87196*

Phone: (505) 265-8713

Languages Spoken: English Spanish

Parent Organization

Leopold Writing Program

Our Mission

Aldo Leopold is the author of *A Sand County Almanac* in which he asserts his land ethic: “A thing is right when it tends to preserve the integrity, stability, and beauty of the biotic community. It is wrong when it tends otherwise.”

The **Leopold Writing Program** builds on Aldo Leopold’s legacy as a writer by inspiring the next generation to participate in the evolution of environmental ethics through the written word. Our **MISSION** is to create an intergenerational network of leaders who, by virtue of their writing talent, have the potential to change the cultural story about the relationship between humans and Nature.

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