

Artists' Residencies

The contemporary creation centre, L'Usine Utopik, proposes residencies of 1 month and half to visual artists from March to October 2012.

Located in a small town of 1 500 inhabitants (Tessy sur Vire) the art centre encourages, promotes projects that involve the population and its surroundings.

The residence offers to the artist the possibility to continue a personal research or to carry out a specific project.

An exhibition of the work achieved during the residence is presented in a space of 400 m2 in L'Usine Utopik.

Two studios are available : one of 100 m2 and another one of 70 m2, in L'Usine Utopik.

Selection : The residency is open to all visual artists whatever nationality.

Term : The residence lasts 2 consecutive months.

Conditions :

- The artist selected receives a grant of 2250 Euros for a one month and half.
- The artist selected has got 375 Euros for food expenses and a financial help of 1 500 Euros for materials/production expenses.
- The artist selected is accommodated in a mobile home situated in the campsite of the village Tessy sur Vire, which is in the heart of the Vire Valley (Normandy).
- Electricity and water expenses are taken in charge by L'Usine Utopik.
- WIFI in each studios in L'Usine Utopik.
- Expenses concerning the inauguration of the exhibition are taken in charge by L'Usine Utopik.
- Telephone expenses, transport expenses to come to L'Usine Utopik or during the residence must be taken in charge by the artist.

Diffusion :

- The art masterpieces realized during the residence are property of the artist.
- Following the residence, the artist must present his artistic project in the exhibition space in L'Usine Utopik.
- During the exhibition = exchanges with the public/visitors/school kids groups led by the cultural assistant of L'Usine Utopik.
- L'Usine Utopik will publish a catalogue, A5 size, to present the artistic work realized during the residence.

In return : During the residency, the artist, at some time, will be led to present his work to different publics thanks to workshops, meetings or round-tables.

To apply : If you are interested, you must supply :

- one official letter describing the project, the artist's research, the material/support needed
- one artistic file showing and explaining the artist's work + one Curriculum Vitae.
- one official document certifying professional artist state.
- one certificate of insurance of personal liability.

- the art masterpieces can be presented in photos, cd, dvd,
- everything can be sent by email in pdf.

EVERYTHING MUST BE SENT AT THE LATEST ON THE 10th NOVEMBER 2011 , if by post mail “as attested by date on postmark”.

The Jury will meet next mid November.

If by post mail, provide in your letter a stamped envelope at the right size so we can send you back your file if you are not selected.

The artists will be informed of the selection 's results by email.

Here is the POST address:

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