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JINLING ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE

Nanjing University & Nanjing International Cultural Exchange Association

CALL FOR APPLICATION

Nanjing University in collaboration with the Nanjing International Cultural Exchange Association is now accepting applications for its *Jinling* artist-in-residence program for the academic year 2015/2016. This is a four-week intensive residency program from Sept 24 to Oct 27, 2015. This year, the *Jinling* artist-in-residence program will support artists with a strong connection with Tuscany and its rich history. In order to receive full consideration, artists in contemporary visual arts are encouraged to apply by June 7.

Aim of the 2015/2016 Edition

In its inaugural edition, the project aims at promoting cultural exchange and integration between the Jiangsu Province and Tuscany, whose respective capitals, Nanjing and Florence, are twin cities.

DESCRIPTION

The program will provide 6-8 artists with resources for exhibiting their works in Nanjing while developing an original project *in situ*. Artists will be working in a unique environment: the city of Nanjing. A former Chinese capital and a renowned artistic center, it has inspired many artists throughout the centuries. Artists will carried out their projects within the stimulating context offered by the city of Nanjing and Nanjing University, a prominent institution of higher education in China. Artists will become part of the vibrant cultural life of the capital of the Jiangsu province. The program will organize visits to the most important cultural venues in the city, where residents will exchange views and ideas with local artists, critics, scholars, museums directors, and the general public.



"Nanjing montage" by Tomchen1989



Eligibility

- Strong connection with Tuscany
- Preferably 45 years old or younger
- Track record in the visual arts



TIMELINE OF THE RESIDENCY

The program will begin with an exhibition including approximately ten works per artist. The exhibition will be followed by a four-week intensive workshop. Artists will develop individual projects that will be showed during a second final exhibition. Major museums and galleries in Nanjing will be involved in organizing the two shows. It is our hope that the program will help residents establish themselves in the Chinese art-market, in the hope of future collaborations. The program will be object of a documentary, and booklets, along with full length catalogues, will be published in connection with the two exhibitions.

More Info on Nanjing

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BENEFITS FOR RESIDENT ARTISTS

Artists will receive a round-trip ticket (economy class) to Nanjing International Airport. The program covers living and housing costs. For the first few days, artists will be hosted at a hotel in Nanjing. Then, they will move to an artist village located in a beautiful natural park. There, each artist will be staying at a small apartment, while having full access to a studio. Materials and tools to necessary to carry out the artist's proposed project will be provided. In the village, artists will be offered free meals.

Eligibility

- Artists should have a strong connection with Tuscany
- Artists should preferably be 45 years old or younger
- Artists should work in any genre within the visual arts (broadly construed), including painting, sculpture, installation art, and video art

How to Apply

Applicants should submit the following documents (in Italian or English):

- 1. Cover Letter where the artist explains their connection with Tuscany
- 2. CV
- 3. Portfolio (for video artists, the portfolio should include links to sample videos)
- 4. A brief description of the project to be carried out in Nanjing

Documents should be sent as email attachment (.pdf files) to Dr. Andrea Baldini (<u>baldini and@hotmail.com</u>). Please, indicate as the subject of your email "Application to NJU 2015 Artist-in-Residence Program."

Selection Process

Eligible candidates will be selected on the basis of their CV, previous artistic achievements, and quality of the proposed project. Between June 21 and June 30, the selecting committee will interview and visit the studios of an initial pool of 12-15 candidates. Resident artists will be selected from those applicants. Decisions will be made in early July. Send us an email for more information about the *Jinling* Artist-in-Residence Program:

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