RSA RESIDENCIES FOR SCOTLAND 2022

Guidelines for artists

ABOUT THE RSA RESIDENCIES FOR SCOTLAND PROGRAMME
The Royal Scottish Academy Residencies for Scotland programme is an artist-led scheme which provides valuable research and residency opportunities for artists whilst forging important networks with centres of artistic excellence across Scotland, ranging from traditional residency venues to specialised production facilities. Open to visual artists at all stages of their careers, the emphasis is on enabling a period of research, development and production, as well as on the acquisition and exchange of new skills and experiences. Artists can apply for funds of up to £5000 and are responsible for managing their own residency, in discussion with the partner venue.

Our partner venues all have a long history of offering quality development to, and presentation opportunities for, contemporary artists and for many their expertise and longevity has formed the back-bone of artist practice in Scotland for decades. Exhibition opportunities may be available at the RSA or through links with the partner venues and their own exhibition facilities or networks.

The Royal Scottish Academy of Art & Architecture is an independently funded institution whose purpose is to promote and support the visual arts in Scotland. The programme is administered and funded by the RSA, with kind support from The Wilhelmina Barns-Graham Trust. Launched in 2009, the project is now offered on a biennial basis.

Aims of the residency programme:
To enable artists a period of research, development and production
To reinforce links with centres of excellence across Scotland
To provide access to technical expertise and assistance to learn new skills & techniques.
To enable the exchange of ideas and practice

Participating Residency Venues 2022
An Cridhe, Isle of Coll
An Lanntair, Isle of Lewis
An Talla Solais, Ullapool
Bothy Project, Cairngorms & Isle of Eigg
Cove Park, Argyll and Bute
Cromarty Arts Trust
Deveron Projects, Huntly
Dundee Contemporary Arts Print Studio
Edinburgh Printmakers
Edinburgh Sculpture Workshop
Glasgow Print Studio
Marchmont Creative Spaces, Berwickshire
North Lands Creative, Lybster
Peacock Visual Arts, Aberdeen
The Pier Arts Centre, Orkney
RSA Collections Department, Edinburgh
Scottish Sculpture Workshop, Lumsden
Stills, Edinburgh
Street Level Photoworks, Glasgow
Taigh Chearsabhagh, North Uist
WASPS Artists Studios (Skye)

PRESENTED BY THE ROYAL SCOTTISH ACADEMY OF ART & ARCHITECTURE
ENTRY CONDITIONS
Open to artists currently living and working in Scotland for at least 3 years, or Scottish by birth.
Artists should no longer be in full-time education at the time of applying.
Artists can apply for funds of up to £5,000.
Duration of residencies are flexible but must be completed before the end of 2023.
Artists are responsible for budgeting all aspects of the residency (accommodation, materials, venue costs etc).
Artists can apply for multi-venue residencies if relevant to the project.
The artist will be responsible for the structure and day-to-day management of their award, in agreement with the partner venue.
The overall project will be administered and financial aspect monitored by the RSA.
Artists will need to check for any restrictions or additional costs that may apply to each provider before completing the application. A full list of participating centres and residency guidelines can be found on the RSA website.
Funds are to be put solely towards your residency costs.
Funds can be used in conjunction with other sources of funding (this should be clearly outlined in the budget).
Funds can not be used as capital, to fund exhibition costs, to pay for editioning of works or for third party production costs.
All successful applicants will be required to complete an evaluation document at the end of their residency.
For collaborative applications, please nominate one artist to be the contact for any correspondence. A collaborative application must be in keeping with the exact same guidelines and limits as a single artist submission.
You may submit a maximum of 6 JPEGs or up to 3 minutes of video files. Please consider that should you wish to submit a mix of video and JPEGs, every 30 seconds of video equates to the value of one JPEG.
Please avoid using composite or multiple images per slide and captions on images.

SELECTION PROCESS
Artists will be assessed on the quality of visual material submitted, the coherency of their proposed project, and on proving to the panel that the project will allow for major development and artistic exploration.
An initial shortlist is made by the RSA Panel which is then sent to each of the residency providers for a second round of selection, ensuring that the venues are involved in the selection process. The RSA Panel then makes a final selection based on the funds available. All artists will be notified by the end of April 2022.

HOW TO APPLY
Applications should be made via Submittable here.
In addition to these Application Guidelines, please read the following thoroughly before submitting an application:
Residency Venue Information (available to download via our website)
Applicant FAQ's (available to download via our website)