

Applying for a music residency at Sirius Arts Centre 2020

In 2017 Sirius Arts Centre launched a new international residency programme specifically for composers and musicians. Sirius Arts Centre has been developing its Artist in Residence programme since 1994. The programme receives some funding from the Arts Council of Ireland and Cork County Council and is well recognised internationally. The residency programme is designed to offer artists the opportunity to write, research and develop their practices and to engage in dialogue with Sirius Arts Centre, other organisations in Cork and the surrounding community.

Accommodation & Facilities:

Residents stay in a beautiful, two/three-bedroomed basement apartment in the Sirius Arts Centre's building, located on the waterfront in the centre of Cobh, twenty-five minutes by train from Cork City. The residency provides residential and work areas to artists. Please note - Sirius Arts Centre does not provide recording facilities or sound equipment. An upright piano is available for use at limited times. Residents may invite partners to visit for short periods of time, once agreed in advance with the Director. Partners and families are not permitted to stay for the duration of the residency, unless they have a shared practice, in which case a joint application must be submitted.

Applications are considered for both individual artists or small groups of artists who are working on collaborative projects. International applicants are strongly encouraged.

The term of residence ranges from one to three weeks. Longer residencies can be considered in specific circumstances.

There is no cost to apply to the residency programme. If awarded a residency, Sirius Arts Centre will provide accommodation in the artists' apartment for a time agreed on by the artist and the organisation. Currently Sirius Arts Centre does not offer a stipend for the duration of a residency. Given the changes in funding streams for the arts in Ireland, it is recommended that, if accepted into the programme - artists apply to their own Arts Councils and local authorities to source funding for travel and expenses.

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Artists will be invited and encouraged to perform or host a talk, workshop or event during their stay but this is not compulsory.

Applications will be accepted via email only and will not be accepted after the deadline.

Please include in your application:

1. An up-to-date CV (**no more than one page**).
2. A maximum of four MP3s / audio/video links to relevant work. Large files should be sent by Wetransfer.
3. A written proposal for residency applications (**no more than 500 words**), which clearly states the following:
 - What you hope to achieve during your residency.
 - The length of residency you're interested in and preferred time of year. (This cannot be guaranteed)
 - Details of any proposed performance or public engagement activity proposed during your stay.
 - Any interest you may have in linking with the local community or other groups / organisations during your stay.

All applications will be assessed by the curatorial panel and the applicant will be notified as soon as possible after the deadline. Please send applications **via email only by Friday 17th May 2019 at 5pm** to:

info@siriusartscentre.ie (with the subject heading **'Music Residencies 2020'**)

Please note - applications that exceed or do not meet the required documentation will not be accepted. Applications will not be accepted after the deadline.

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