Collective Conversations: Open Call for Artists Collectives

Residency and development opportunity in the Main Gallery at Phoenix Art Space, July - August 2023.

We are offering a paid opportunity for 2 – 4 Artists collectives to have full access to our Main Gallery for four weeks, to use the space as a shared exploratory studio, workshop or event space.

Collective Conversations is a platform for showcasing making, experimenting, and playing. We would like the collectives to use the space for collaborative making, knowledge and skill-sharing, via artist talks, workshops or public events – we want to hear how you might use the time and space to explore and develop your practice and audiences.

Do you want a testing space for trying out something new? Or for running a series of zine-making workshops, radio shows, or peer critiques? Would you like to collaborate with another artist collective?

We are particularly keen to hear your programme ideas and who you think your ideal audiences might be. The selection process will take in consideration how you propose to realise these with the time and resources available.

We have also partnered with <u>A Woman's Place Projects</u> who are providing funding to support <u>one</u> collective. This collective should be women led and we particularly encourage applications from collectives who have an intersectional approach to their practice. The bursary can cover the cost of accommodation, travel or childcare for example – to a maximum of £1500. Please identify in your application what you need the bursary for.



Eligibility:

- Artist collectives working in all types of contemporary visual art practice, including photography, new media, fine art, artists' moving image, sculpture, live art, crafts, design, architecture, site-specific, socially engaged, participatory and interdisciplinary practices.
- Must be able to travel to Brighton on a regular basis

The Offer:

- £500 fee per collective
- £250 production budget per collective
- 24hr access to Main Gallery space from 19 July 20 August 2023
- Production and development support from Phoenix Art Space team
- Work featured and promoted on Phoenix Art Space website and social media
- Access to our AV equipment subject to availability This includes projectors and monitors.
- The opportunity to share your practice with members of the public.

We are currently applying for funding to support additional aspects of the overall project. We have a (limited) separate fund to support artists with access needs. This could be to support travel costs for an individual artist with limited mobility for example or BSL interpretation for events. We are unable to support day to day provision (ongoing carer costs for example). Please identify in your application what you might need, and please email or call us to check if you are unsure.



How to apply:

Please submit a PDF of no more than 5 pages that includes;

- A short statement on the practice of your artist collective detailing your themes, interests, art forms, and members involved
- -6-10 images of your work with a brief statement about each image as relevant e.g. (date, medium, size, location, participants)

- An outline of your plans if you were to be offered the residency. This could relate to the production or exploration of a particular project and/or a series of peer / public-facing events
- An outline of how much time you will be able to spend in the space
- Links to website and/or social media
- Please also complete an equal opportunities monitoring form here

We are looking for applications that are ambitious in nature and pragmatic in reality. We can't for example market and host a conference for example, but we could support you to realize some discussion groups. We would like you to show how you are testing new ground in your practice or consolidating earlier ideas with a plan for how they might develop in the future.

Email your application to kitty@phoenixbrighton.org
Deadline: Monday 29 May 2023, 5pm

We aim to respond to all applicants by 7 June.

For questions or further information contact <u>kitty@phoenixbrighton.org</u> or call 01273 603700



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