

AIR in Tainan

Artists-in-Residence (AIR) Program for 2021

Siao-Long Cultural Park (SCP), Tainan, Taiwan

I. Introduction

International artists participating in the AIR Program of SCP stay in a vibrant community of artists and have the opportunity to exchange techniques and ideas with other artists; local and international, emerging and established. Artists live in close proximity to local craftsmen and artisans and are encouraged to take the community and the vibrant local culture as inspiration for their artworks. SCP has professional, wheelchair-accessible, air-conditioned, modern studio spaces, galleries and theatres for exhibitions, workshops and performances.

II. Resident Location

Siao-Long Cultural Park (<http://air-culture.tainan.gov.tw/>)
(No. 130, Liu-an Village, Jiali District, Tainan City 722, Taiwan)

SCP is a governmental institute, operated by the Cultural Affairs Bureau of Tainan City Government, Taiwan. Please see *Space and Environment of SCP* for further information.

III. Time Schedule

1. Submissions accepted from: 01 July 2020
2. Submissions deadline: 11 September 2020, 23:59 (Taiwan time)
3. Examination: September 2020
4. Residence period: **1 May 2021 - 30 October 2021**
 - a. Each applicant can only be accepted for one term.
 - b. The minimum residence is 45 days, with a maximum of 90 days per applicant.

Term	Duration
1 st	1 May -30 July 2021
2 nd	1 August – 30 October 2021

IV. AIR Theme for 2021

SCP takes the concept of 'Site-Specific Art' as its theme for the AIR program in 2021. The artworks should respond to the park's environment, including the warehouses, corridors, the railway landscape, the children's museum, and either the indoor or the outdoor spaces. They should also engage with the locality's natural and historical sites, and with local communities. Any residents'

programs based on outdoor spaces will be considered as a priority.

V. Eligibility

- A. We welcome applicants who are interested in:
 - 1. Interdisciplinary
 - 2. Visual arts
 - 3. Performance
 - 4. Photography
- B. We encourage artists dedicated to the environment, children's art education and community engagement. We also encourage artists to develop a resident program on the theme of 'site-specific art', based on their specialty.
- C. We welcome artists interested in photography and/or research into photographic history of Tainan city.
- D. All applicants must be able to communicate in either English or Chinese.

VI. How to apply

We only accept online applications. Please click on the following link:

<http://air-culture.tainan.gov.tw/> and fill out the application before the deadline (listed above).

VII. Procedure

- A. Applicants will be examined by the jury committee and successful candidates will be partly subsidized.
- B. The jury committee is scheduled to meet either in late September or early October 2020.
- C. The results will be announced on the official website (<http://soulangh.tnc.gov.tw/>) and emailed to the successful candidates by the end of October 2020.

VIII. Program Provisions and Requirements

Applicants should agree with the following requirements before submission.

A. Program Provisions - what do we offer?

- 1. Placements of up to three months with free accommodation and studio space.
- 2. Living and working expenses in Taiwan (including 18% personal income-tax and insurance) - partly subsidized (NT\$ 30,000 per month maximum). The total amount will be paid in two installments. Artists will receive payment directly, excluding any tax. Since 2016, the Taiwan government has announced that all terms of contract should include stamp-tax, which is one thousandth of the total amount. The stamp-tax should be paid in cash by the artists themselves, and this is excluded from the subsidy.
- 3. Presentation expenses - The maximum allocation is NT\$ 100,000 (including tax), which will be paid directly to the relevant contractors. The above expenses include: providing a service or

materials used in completing workshops, exhibitions and performances; fees for brochure design and printing, dissemination, art work insurance, translation fees, and expenses for a press conference, etc. Any transportation fees for works are excluded.

4. Administrative support.

※If you have any enquiries about the subsidy, you should notify SCP during the application or before signing the contract.

B. Program Requirements - applicants' responsibilities

1. Before the end of residency, the selected artists should provide one type of presentation, either an exhibition or a performance. If, in addition, you would like to hold a workshop during the residency, this would be highly welcomed.
2. Approaching the end of the residency, the successful applicants are required to complete a report and questionnaire. The report should include details of the residents' experience, the progress of their projects and any relevant feedback.

IX. Notice

The Cultural Affairs Bureau of Tainan City Government reserves the right to supplement and amend the contract and has the right of final interpretation.

A. Terms of application:

1. Artists who will be occupying other resident institutes in 2021 should inform SCP in the application, otherwise the SCP residency will be regarded as forfeit.
2. **A letter of recommendation is required**. You need to submit at least one letter of recommendation from an artist, curator, institute director, researcher, or organizational professional. The title and full name of the recommender should be clear, and the letter should be signed personally or attached as a signature file.
3. According to the resident program, if applicants require assistants (i.e., someone who is not an applicant), it is the applicant's responsibility to notify SCP in the application form, and all eligible expenses for such assistants will be included in the subsidy. No extra expenses will be provided for assistants after submission of the application.
4. All selected artists can apply for accommodation; however, such accommodation is only for resident artists. To maintain the safety, living quality and rights of every single artist, **the accommodation is not available for non-artists to stay overnight (including family members, assistants, partners or pets)**.

B. Terms of residency:

1. Selected artists should participate in all activities held by SCP. If this is likely to cause any inconvenience, please inform SCP in advance.
2. If selected artists fail to complete at least two thirds of their residency duration, SCP will regard this as forfeiture of the residency.

3. Ownership of any works created during the residency period remains with the creators. However, Tainan City Government has the right to exhibit, present and publish any or all works. If any damage is caused to SCP, or any claims for compensation are made against SCP, the selected artists shall be fully liable to compensate SCP.

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