

OPEN CALL

TWELVE-WEEK RESIDENCY
FOR ARTISTS AND CURATORS BASED IN TAIWAN

In partnership with Ministry of Culture, Taiwan (R.O.C.), Delfina Foundation welcomes applications from artists and curators from and based in Taiwan for a 12-week residency in London, taking place from 3 July to 24 September 2023.

Delfina Foundation is a non-profit organisation dedicated to facilitating artistic exchange and developing creative practice through residencies, partnerships and public programming.

Each year, Delfina Foundation runs four three-month residency programmes: winter, spring, summer and autumn. These residency seasons are assigned either as 'open' (dedicated independent research) or 'thematic' (focusing on a specific issue or idea). This residency will take place during Delfina Foundation's 'open' summer 2023 season.

Alongside gaining time and space to develop their work, Delfina Foundation's residents participate in a bespoke programme that includes:

- Guided visits to museums, galleries, non-profits, artist-run spaces and studios, as well as trips to institutions outside London.
- Opportunities to meet and engage with artists, curators, academics and researchers through organised presentations, studio visits, events and meals.
- Professional development activities including presentations and crits, portfolio reviews, and mentoring activities.

THE SELECTED APPLICANT WILL RECEIVE:

A twelve-week residency at Delfina Foundation, including:

- A return economy-class flight
- Airport transfers
- Reimbursement of visa fee
- A living allowance of £30 per day
- A materials budget of up to £700
- Local travel pass
- A single bedroom with a desk at Delfina Foundation - a house which hosts up to 8 residents with shared facilities, including: bathrooms, laundry rooms, a kitchen, library and dining room.
- Opportunities to engage in the art scene in UK through structured activities and independent time

- Access to a programme of planned group activities

Please note: Expenses other than those specified above shall be covered by the selected participant. Also dedicated studio space is not offered as part of the residency facilities.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be a Taiwan (R.O.C.) national and not restricted from travelling abroad due to mandatory military service or other legal restrictions.
- Have not participated in any artist-in-residency program supported by the Ministry of Culture, Taiwan (R.O.C.) in the past three years.
- Seeking an opportunity to develop their practice through research.
- Able to explain how the experience of an international residency may benefit their career development and local networks.
- Proficient in English.
- The selected artist in residence must submit a report to Delfina Foundation within 14 calendar days of the end of the residency. The report can be written either in Mandarin Chinese or English and should be no less than 2000 words.

Additionally, the selected practitioner will need to obtain travel insurance to cover medical emergencies, theft and other accidents.

APPLICATION DOCUMENTS:

Applicants are expected to submit the following documents in English:

1. Completed application form

- Please download this from Delfina Foundation's website.
- Upon completion, please save the application form as a PDF file.
- Please name your PDF in the following format, substituting your own name: LastName_FirstName_Application.pdf

2. Documentation: either a portfolio or weblinks

Portfolio

- A single PDF file with all images and texts.
- Images must include captions or short descriptions of the project.
- There are no maximum number of images that will be accepted, but applicants are advised to only submit

relevant images and to reduce the size of email submissions to 4MB.

- For videos/films, please provide links in the application form. Do not send as attachments or file transfers.
- Please name this document in the following format, substituting your own name:
LastName_FirstName_Portfolio.pdf

Weblinks

- As an alternative to a portfolio, Delfina Foundation are happy to refer to the applicant's website.
- The website must, however, have clear descriptive information about previous projects with captions and texts. If your website is not straightforward or up to date, please submit a portfolio instead.
- Please list all weblinks in relevant section of the application form.

3. A CV/resume

- If your CV is not part of your portfolio please send it separately.
- Your CV should detail recent projects, exhibitions, workshops and residencies.
- Please name this document in the following format, substituting your own name: LastName_FirstName_CV.pdf

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

- Submit your application to: opencall@delfinafoundation.com
- The subject line of your email should be: Taiwan 2023
- Please send all attachments in one email.
- The total size of the attachments should be below 4MB.
- Do not change the formatting of the application form and do not exceed the stated word counts.
- Do not include any important information in the body of your email. It will not be recorded as part of your application.
- Do not attach anything other than the three documents outlined above.

APPLICATION TIMELINE:

- Deadline for applications: Tuesday, 28 February 2023, Midday (GMT)
- Shortlisted applicants will be invited to interview in mid-March.
- Applicants will be notified of the panel's decision by early April.

ABOUT THE PARTNERS:

[Delfina Foundation](#) is more than London's largest international residency programme - it is a home where the next generation of contemporary artists, curators and thinkers are supported and nurtured. Based in two renovated Edwardian houses near Buckingham Palace, Delfina Foundation is an independent, non-profit organisation dedicated to fostering artistic talent and facilitating exchange through residencies and public programmes ranging from workshops to exhibitions, both in the UK and with international partners.

The Cultural Division of Taipei Representative Office in the UK works to introduce Taiwanese culture to audiences in the UK and beyond, supports Taiwanese artists in bringing their works to new shores, and helps to facilitate Taiwan-UK cultural collaboration and understanding.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Can duos or collectives apply?

Generally, it is difficult for us to host residencies with collectives, given the resources and space required to host them. Our accommodation comprises of eight single rooms. We recommend that collectives or duos who wish to apply put forth one member to represent them in-residence if they are prepared to work in such a way.

- Can partners, children, dependents or pets of international residents be accommodated?

Delfina Foundation is a communal residence with limited space. Over the years we have discovered that the nature of our accommodation, as well as our intensive programmes, does not usually suit non-participants or pets/ESAs being resident on-site. If it is essential that a selected international programme participant be accompanied for part or all of the residency they will need to organise their own accommodation during this time. If you have specific questions, please email opencall@delfinafoundation.

- How can specific access support be gained?

Delfina Foundation has always welcomed applicants from all backgrounds, including D/deaf, disabled and neurodivergent artists and others who have specific needs. We are open to discussing how our residencies can be adapted to meet the needs of selected residents. If you have specific questions in advance of application regarding your access requirements and the Delfina house, where residents live and work, or the residency programming, please email our Director of Operations, Gillean Dickie gillean@delfinafoundation, with the recommended subject line 'Access'.