



Dharti Arts Residency 2019

Location: Serendipity Arts Foundation, Defence Colony, New Delhi

Dates: 20th May – 16th August 2019

Application Deadline: 1st April, by midnight (Indian Standard Time)

Serendipity Arts Foundation is delighted to announce the OPEN CALL for Dharti Arts Residency 2019, an annual three-month artists residency based in New Delhi. Applications are invited from emerging and mid-career artists working across all disciplines, including a broad range of forms such as movement-based practices, theatre and writing-based practices, and artists engaged in installation, sound or other innovative media.

About

Now in its third edition, Dharti is an intensive studio-based residency for emerging artists. It seeks to provide its residents space and resources to develop their practice, work on a new project and interact with the broader art community in New Delhi. In the course of the three months, the four artists selected for the programme will participate in a lineup of peer-to-peer conversations, critique sessions, gallery and studio visits, artist talks and presentations etc. Alongside, they will be required to conceptualize and produce a new work. The residency will conclude with a weeklong open studio.

Facilities

Residents will be provided furnished accommodation and access to Serendipity Arts Foundation's basement studio spaces (750-800 sq ft) in Defence Colony, at the heart of south Delhi. Besides a basic monthly per diem for meals, they will also be entitled to a production grant to cover purchase of material, implements, additional technical support etc.

The Foundation will provide assistance in the implementation of the artist's projects, supply technical infrastructure, and build publicity for events organised around the residency. It will also help residents contact curators, critics, gallery owners etc. they are keen to reach out to. The residency then becomes a platform for artists to build networks and interact with professional possibilities within the art world.

Application

To apply please submit the following in a single PDF (no more than 15 pages, 20 MB) by the **1st of April, 2019**:

1. Completed application form
2. A brief, updated CV (max. 2 A4 pages)
3. A 500-word essay explaining why you would like to attend *Dharti*, what you would like to do while in attendance and how the experience is likely to contribute to your present practice and/or project.
4. A short portfolio illustrative of your present practice. This may consist of,
 - a) artwork, including photographs
 - b) videos and/or sound files (embedded as links)
 - c) photographs or other documentation of previous exhibitions
 - d) a combination of the above where total no. of items submitted are no more than 10
5. Kindly email the completed application form and the above mentioned to dharti@serendipityartstrust.org

The works should ideally have a short explanatory text accompanying them, and should depict the range of your artistic practice.

Terms and Conditions

1. Applicants must be between **25 - 35 years** of age at the time of submission.
2. The residency is open only to Indian Citizens residing in the country at least over the past 2 years.
3. Applicants must not have attended a residency in the past 1 year.
4. Selected residents will be announced by late April. Selections will be undertaken by an external panel of jury appointed by Serendipity Art Foundation.
5. Applications by immediate family members of Serendipity Arts Foundation employees will not be considered.