



LA NOGUERA MEDINACELI

SUMMER 2017 SELF-DIRECTED RESIDENCIES OPEN CALL Medinaceli (Soria), Spain

GENERAL INFO

Goals

The goal of this call is the selection for the self-DIRECTED residencies program at La Noguera Medinaceli in the summer of 2017. Selected residents will develop proposals in creation, experimentation and research in a period of 5 to 10 consecutive days, between August, 1st and 20th at our facilities in Medinaceli (Soria), Spain.

The call is addressed to people who develop projects at the intersection of art, sustainability and technology, or tangential to one or more of the themes. La Noguera Medinaceli will host works related to agriculture, ecology, computing, activism, performance, sound and moving images, energy, narrative, visual arts, bio-construction, rural interventions, health, and science fields such as cartographies, astronomy, physics, maths, meteorology, biology, education, history, philosophy, anthropology, sociology, education and others. This call is addressed not only to artists. Researchers and workers from any field are welcome.

Our goal is to offer a creative environment in order to facilitate exchanges and interaction with other residents, local artists and rural activists and to use the space for focusing, development, creation.

Orientation for proposals

Our interest is to foster reflection, debate and experimentation on sustainability, art and technology in a rural area, as well as the foundation of collective spaces of technological and artistic research, betting on multi-discipline practices, cooperation, network-based knowledge, open technologies and culture, and the collective construction of the residency space (data networks, energy, nourishment, waste management).

ON THE RESIDENCIES

Medinaceli is an ancient town arising on a natural crossroads that since paleolithic times has been a meeting point for romans and celts, muslims and christians. Time and people have left an important heritage rich in memory and traditions. Mountains, plateaus and narrow valleys are part of a landscape marked by culture, where the human footprint is present in monumental buildings as in fountains, salt mines and gardens. But this is also part of a vast area strongly depopulated after the rural exodus: the center-east of the iberian peninsula, an area with a population density lower than Siberia.

Two highways connect us to Madrid, Zaragoza, Barcelona, Soria and the North of Spain. The historical center heritage includes an arch and many roman mosaics, arab defensive walls and a renaissance palace that now is a contemporary arts center and home of a music festival. The local arts scene is also lively, as many international artists choose the town as their summer residence.

La Alhóndiga, the place that the residents will share, is the center of La Noguera Medinaceli's activities. Located in the main square of the village, it has always been the town's hearth: it was the market, the town hall and the local court, and after being abandoned it has been adapted to host groups and workshops. There are 6 shared rooms, a collective kitchen, two big activity rooms and two smaller ones with internet connection. The available equipment includes computers, printer, video projector, basic woodwork and construction tools. In addition to this La Noguera Medinaceli will try to facilitate links between residents and the local artists to give residents the possibility to share their facilities, including a ceramics workshop and a lithographic print.

La Noguera Medinaceli runs aprox. 2000 m2 of partially cultivated land in Arbujuelo, a village 8 km far from the town center. In this fields it is possible to build temporary constructions. The transportation between La Alhóndiga and Arbujuelo can be organized depending on availability and with previous arrangement.

DEADLINE

The proposals can be sent from June, 5th until midnight of July, 1st.

SUBMISSIONS

Submissions must be made sending the form by mail to info@lanogueramedinaceli.es

The form is available at this link: www.lanogueramedinaceli.es/local-culture/residency/

Submissions can be made by individuals or groups up to 3 people. The form can be sent on pdf, doc or odt formats. It must contain, besides personal data, an open work proposal do be developed during the residency, between 1000 and 4000 characters long. Each submitter may also send a personal url or a

selection of works hosted online.

Personal safety

The residents will participate freely and on a voluntary basis, being responsible for their personal safety and their health insurance. The minimum age for submission is 18 years.

SELECTION

Criteria

We will consider the befitting of the proposal to the goals and context of the call, as well as the availability of the space. Adjustments in the required period maybe proposed by the managers to optimize and maximize the occupation of the house.

Results

Results will be communicated through the submitter's e-mail, starting one week after the deadline.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Food and facilities

La Noguera Medinaceli will host in La Alhóndiga up to 6 residents at the same time and will provide basic vegetarian food for 3 meals a day that will be cooked together. Special or extra food can be purchased by residents in the local shops or harvested directly in our garden. A 10€ contribution per person and day will be requested to cover common needs.

Residents will have open access to the spaces, as well as equipments, tools and structure of the house, and may use them within basic rules of collaborative work, always looking after the equipment, tool or structure used. The space and structure are collective. Therefore they must be shared between the residents and among the activities that happen periodically such as workshops, meetings, workgroups.

Transportation

Travel expenses and arrangements will be in charge of each resident. An invitation letter could be sent to whom may need it.

Meeting between residents and guests

Throughout the residency, we may promote meetings between residents and guests whose work is related.

DIFFUSION OF DEVELOPED WORKS

La Noguera Medinaceli will publicize the developed work online, through our website and other communication platforms.

DOCUMENTATION AND RETRIBUTION

The residents are required to document activities and developed works in our wiki. They are also welcome to offer - if they will - a workshop, text, presentation or any other proposal that might be interesting for La Noguera Medinaceli, the fellow residents or the local community.

The housekeeping tasks such as cleaning and organization, waste management, preparation of meals are not considered as a retribution but as a part of the residence.

IMAGE RIGHTS

All material produced during the residencies, as well as all documentation, will be shared through open copyright licenses. La Noguera Medinaceli will promote the project on the web and different medias. If you do not wish to share your personal images, please let us know beforehand.

By submitting, you agree to all points in this call.