

GALLERY ZERO RESIDENCY OPEN CALL 2020 SUPPORTING INFORMATION



ABOUT US

Opened in 2009, Nottingham Contemporary is an international art centre with a strong sense of local purpose. We are a place for international art, for everyone, for free.

Connected but separate from our four main galleries, Gallery Zero is a fresh and flexible activity space. It is an informal space for all visitors to explore, think, experiment and play and is home to Nottingham Contemporary's resource library of journals, books and pamphlets. It is also host to 1525 (Nottingham Contemporary's youth collective) and residents.

Gallery Zero is offering the opportunity for an individual, group or collective to inhabit the space for a 6-month residency. During the residency, residents can engage with audiences in new ways through opportunities to create, develop, and programme events with a focus

on the theme of 'collaboration'. Residents will also be supported by a budget, staff and resources at Nottingham Contemporary.

The selected resident will receive:

- A project budget of £800 to include the cost of fees, travel, and materials.
- Monthly mentoring by staff from Exhibitions, Public Programmes and Research, Learning, and Marketing.
- Access to resources (e.g. creative materials, furniture, and technical equipment).
- Free or subsidised entry to events organised by and hosted at Nottingham Contemporary

PREVIOUS GALLERY ZERO RESIDENTS

Notts Zine Library showcase and archive a collection of self-published zine materials. They hosted talks, workshops and other events around the concept of D.I.Y. culture.

Outsider Artist Collective explore experiences of living 'under one sky'. Events included gatherings, films, talks and debates, focusing on the moon, equinox, and the solstice calendar.

Schüle Wampe - a subset of the art collective Kühle Wampe who researched their "parasitic" type inhabitation of Nottingham Contemporary. They facilitated links between existing groups and educational resources.

BRIEF

1. Applications are open to individuals, groups or 'collectives' in Nottinghamshire. We're particularly keen to encourage applications from local practitioners, collectives, community and/or youth-led group.
2. Collectives can be made up of any number of people and be existing, newly formed and/or a partnership between other groups.

3. **Proposals must respond to the theme of 'collaboration'. The idea of collaboration is open to interpretation but may involve collaboration with other practitioners, different audiences, Nottingham Contemporary (building and staff) or across diverse sectors.**
4. **Residencies can last up to 6-months between 1 March – 31 Aug 2020. It is not a requirement for residents to be on-site during the full period of their residency. Please note, a second open-call for residents will take place in July 2020 for the period Sep 2020– Feb 2021.**
5. **Residents will be granted a budget up to £800. This must cover all fees, planning, materials, transport and any other costs. Residents are responsible for managing their budget with support from Nottingham Contemporary staff.**

For guidance on artist and contributor fees, please visit:

<https://www.artistsunionengland.org.uk/rates-of-pay/>

6. **Residents can use Gallery Zero for a variety of activities and events which engage audiences; these could include talks, workshops, reading groups, creative sessions or temporary art installations. We recommend programming up to 3 events across the residency.**
7. **Gallery Zero is open to general public Tue - Sat, 10am-6pm, Sun 11-5pm. Visitors should be able to visit during these times. (Residents can request meeting/planning times in Gallery Zero outside of these times). Note: access to Gallery Zero will be restricted from Mon 4 - Fri 22 May 2020 when the galleries are closed.**
8. **We encourage diverse and experimental artforms and we are interested in the new and exciting ways that art can cross over with**

other fields. Residents do not necessarily have to be art based but should reflect creativity in their approach/ideas.

- 9. Residents will be responsible for the planning and organisation of events in Gallery Zero with support from Nottingham Contemporary staff. (Residents may also utilise other spaces in the building to be agreed).**

GALLERY ZERO DIMENSIONS

8 metres wide x 4 metres long with a capacity of 30-50 people.

