

## **Artist in Residence Programm**

### **Altes Spital Solothurn**

**Altes Spital Solothurn offers Artists from all over the world a three months art residency which can be extended for one month. Have the opportunity to work in Swiss provincial town and meet local Artists.**

The goals of the Artist in Residence program are:

- Exchange between Guest artists and local Artists or cultural culprits.
- Support cooperation and dialog between Guest artists and local artists.
- Give access to the Swiss art history. (Guest artists receive the museums pass, which allows free entry to most museums in Switzerland).
- Presentation of the artwork or studies at the end of the residency.
- Guest artist are invited to organise open studios and workshops.

#### **Altes Spital Solothurn, Switzerland**

The Altes Spital is located in centre city in the historical district and lies directly at the river Aare. The historical Altes Spital Solothurn, with its multilateral possibilities, serves individuals of all age groups and organizations as a meeting place for leisure and creation by attending workshops and events. The cultural department of the Altes Spital organizes concerts, film demonstrations and parties year around.

The Altes Spital Solothurn is an important place of culture. Every year, events such as the National Film, the National Literature and the National Health events and meetings are held at the Altes Spital. The Altes Spital is also famous for its inhouse Spanish, Tamilian and Kurdish centres. Those centres are open to the public and offer meals and cultural events.

#### **Residency program**

The residency program of the Altes Spital in Solothurn offers a studio and an apartment for artists from all around the world. The duration of the residency is three months. An additional month is possible.

The guest artist will have access to a large studio to create his/her work and an apartment including a complete kitchen, a bathroom, 2 beds, telephone and W-Lan.

Studios and workshops for screen printing and woodcarving are also available for the guest artist.

Altes Spital helps to organize a work show or presentation at the end of the residency; the jurors can give support to invited artists.

#### **Living in Altes Spital**

Living room, atelier and workshops are located in a very active and lively house. We require our guest artists to be self-organized. Knowledge of the German, French or English language is a must. The guest artist will be responsible for the care of his/her studio and apartment during the period of the residency. The offer contains the costs for the apartment and studio. The guest artist will be responsible for the costs of living, social insurance and project-contributions.

## Acceptance

The jurors will review applications and supporting materials. Final acceptance to residency and exhibition is at the discretion of Altes Spital. Jurors meeting will be in the second half of the year. The notification will be mailed after their decision. Entry materials sent by the selected candidate for the residency will be held in Altes Spital.

The jurors are:

Director of Art Residency Altes Spital Solothurn | Gabriella V. Affolter, Kreativwerkstatt factory008, Leuzigen | Fränze Aerni, cultural dispositions, Solothurn | Member of the executive board Künstlerhaus S11 Solothurn | Thomas Steinbeck and Kurt Stalder, Architekturforum Touringhaus, Solothurn | Felix Flury, Galerie SO, Solothurn | Martin Rohde, art historian, Biberist | Roswitha Schild, Kunstverein Solothurn | Corinne Havrda, Solothurn

## Residency periods

April 5 - June 30 | August 5 – October 30 | December 5 – February 28. The residence period may be extended by maximal one month after consultation.

## Work sample requirements

- Submit Photos or a CD-ROM or a DVD of works completed in the last two years. One photo for each work. Mark each photo with your name and a number corresponding to the numbers on an accompanying photo list that includes the artist's name, title of the piece, medium, size and year of completion. Quality of the photos is very important. Do not send originals.
- Artist working with new media such as DVD and performer, composers or musicians sent 3 – 4 works completed in the last two years.
- Please include also a resume and a statement.

Please label all material clearly and wrap it carefully for shipping in order to give your work every opportunity to be included properly in the jury process. Do not send originals. Do not send your only copy.

## General

Artists has to provide evidence for health- and accidentinsurance.

For visas you have to contact the Embassy of Switzerland in your home country

## For further informations regarding the residency program, please contact:

Director of Art Residency  
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www.altesspital.ch



# Application form

## Part 1.

### Permanent address

First name:  
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Last name:  
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Address:  
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Street:  
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City:  
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State / Zip:  
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Phone:  
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Mobile:  
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E-Mail:  
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Date of birth:  
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Occupation:  
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### Emergency contact

First name:  
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Last name:  
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Address:  
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Street:  
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City:  
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State / Zip:  
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Phone:  
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Mobile:  
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E-Mail:  
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## Part 2.

### Information about you and your projects

Curriculum vitae: .....

Resume about your work as artist: .....

Reason for application: .....

Description of the artwork you want to realize in the residency: .....

**I affirm that all the information is complete and accurate, and that any work presented represents the achievement of my creative effort.**

Date: .....

Application's signature: .....

**Inserts**

- Application form (3 pages)
- Photo sheet, CD, DVD
- Resume, Statment, Description of the residency work

**Please send your application with all inserts to:**

Altes Spital Solothurn – Director of Art Residency – Oberer Winkel 2 – CH-4500 Solothurn

Part 3.

**Questions**

What else woul you like us to know about you?

How did you hear about Altes Spital Solothurn?

Have you ever been a resident at other artist's communities?