



CRAFT RESIDENCIES, MAY – SEPTEMBER 2018 APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Deadline for Applications: Monday 4 December 2017

Cove Park – Craft Residencies

In 2018 Cove Park will award a minimum of three funded Crafts Residencies, of between one to three months each. Individual national (UK) and international designer/makers at any stage in their professional careers are welcome to apply. We will also award one residency lasting at least one month to an emerging designer/maker based in Scotland.

Please note, the above residencies will all take place during May to September 2017 – within this period residency dates are negotiable.

Background

Founded in 1999 by Peter and Eileen Jacobs, Cove Park creates year-round funded and self-funded residencies across all art forms for national and international artists, collaborative groups and organisations. Cove Park is located on an outstanding 50-acre site overlooking Loch Long on Scotland's west coast (just 60 minutes from Glasgow by road or rail).

Please see <http://covepark.org/> for more information and images of the site and facilities.

Funded Summer Residency Programme

Cove Park's summer residency programme provides the time and support for artists to focus exclusively upon their own practice. The emphasis is upon research, experimentation and the development of new work. The designer/makers will be part of a changing group of national and international residents specialising in a wide variety of art forms. All of the residents are invited to take part in a series of informal studio presentations, talks, screenings and dinners organised by Cove Park throughout the summer programme. Residents may also have the opportunity to contribute to 'Hands-On Cove Park' a new public educational and participatory programme of events and activities.

Facilities and Resources

The facilities and resources available include:

- High quality, en-suite self-catering accommodation.
- Private studio.
- Communal workspace and equipment (although Cove Park has a good supply of basic tools and equipment, including a 60-litre kiln, residents may need to bring any specialised equipment or materials that they require).
- The new Artists Centre: 72sqm devising and workshop space, meeting room, dining area, communal kitchen, library, archive, IT suite and laundry facilities.
- Unlimited access to the 50-acre site.

Dates and Duration of the Residencies

The residencies of between one to three months will take place at Cove Park between May and September 2018. Cove Park will work with the selected designer/makers to ensure that both the dates and duration of their residencies are as beneficial as possible for the artist and Cove Park. It is not necessary to state your preferred dates or length of residency in your application as this will be discussed with each shortlisted applicant at interview.

Fees

These residencies are funded and each artist participating in this programme will receive a fee.

Resident's Fee (for one month):	£1,600*
Materials Allowance (for individual residencies only):	£250

**Please note: the Resident's Fee is inclusive of VAT and payable by Cove Park to the designer/maker. The appointment is on a freelance basis and the designer/maker will be responsible for paying their own tax and national insurance.*

Selection Criteria & Process

Selection for interview will be based on the following criteria:

- The quality of your ideas and work.
- Your need for a period of research and development and your reasons for applying to this residency programme.
- Your interest in working within a community of artists, including a willingness to discuss and share ideas.

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The selection panel will include Cove Park Staff, Trustees and Crafts Advisors.

Please note, we will acknowledge receipt of your application via e-mail by **Monday 18 December**. With this acknowledgement you will be sent a link our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion monitoring form to complete. If you have not heard from us by this date, please contact Cove Park directly to confirm your application has arrived safely.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their submission by **Monday 22 January 2018**.

Interviews will take place at Cove Park during the week of **Monday 26 February 2018**. International applicants, or those unable to travel, may be interviewed via Skype. Reasonable travel expenses to attend an interview will be reimbursed by Cove Park upon the submission of receipts.

Submission of Applications

Please submit the following information:

- Postal, e-mail and website addresses, daytime and evening contact telephone number(s). Please include this information in a covering e-mail when submitting your application.*
- In your covering e-mail, please state the residency category that you are applying for: National (UK), International, Emerging Designer/Maker (Scotland). Also state how you heard about this call for applications to Cove Park's Craft programme.
- A brief statement (no more than two sides of A4) describing:
Your current artistic practice;
The reasons for your interest in this residency;
How the opportunity will impact upon your work and development. *
- A current CV with the names and contact details of two professional referees (*please note: we will only contact your referees if your application is shortlisted for interview*). *
- Documentation of your recent work:

A maximum of 10 images provided in JPG format (each image no larger than 1MB) and accompanied by an image list with full details of all work presented.

Film and video work should be submitted on a showreel (maximum duration 5 minutes) uploaded to Youtube or Vimeo.

Audio work (maximum duration 5 minutes) should be uploaded to Soundcloud.

Please send your statement, CV, documentation and weblinks (to Youtube, Vimeo or Soundcloud) to Cove Park by one of the following methods:

1. As attachments to an e-mail* with the subject 'Crafts 2018' (followed by your name).
**Please note: our e-mail attachment limit is 5MB so a series of emails with attachments may be necessary.*
2. By sending a link to a Dropbox folder named 'Crafts 2018' (followed by your name) containing all documents and images.

Please send your application (or confirm submission of your application via Dropbox) to:

crafts.applications@covepark.org

We would prefer not to receive applications by post. However, if you would like to submit supplementary material, such as catalogues, with your application, please post these to the address below. If you would like this material to be returned to you, please enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

Crafts Residencies 2018
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In line with our equal opportunities policy we welcome applications from artists irrespective of gender, disability, age, race or ethnicity.

For further information please contact:

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