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# **OPEN CALL** for artists, designers, activists and curators from European sister cities of Wrocław: self-publishing laboratory

## **About us:**

AIR Wro is a programme of residencies, study visits and international cooperation carried out by the Culture Zone Wrocław. The goal of AIR Wro is to support and promote the activities of individuals representing various fields of culture, activism, education and art, who are interested in cooperation with local communities, as well as those willing to build international cultural relations.

The main idea behind the AIR Wro programme is related to modern cities, their culture and identity. The concept of the city serves as a starting point for activities related to research and analysis of contemporary cities, their diagnosis and reflection on their condition, as well as the level of social and civic awareness of their inhabitants, their involvement and participation in the city's projects, and sense of shared responsibility for the common space.

## **About the laboratory:**

Self-publishing has been an ongoing trend in the creative environments over the last few years. This field is widely defined but mostly associated with graphic design, alternative storytelling, re-use and remix cultures, and D.I.Y. projects. Artists and designers are involved in making zines, publications related to local communities and their stories, art and photo books. In addition to printing as a traditional tool, Internet became a huge platform for artists and designers to share their projects. Artistic experiments, alternative and digital storytelling, metatexts and gif culture are trending right now, making artistic expression accessible and free for everyone. Self-publishing is also associated with grassroots initiatives, independent culture and urban movements for social issues.

Keywords for the call are: analogue and digital self-publishing, zine archives, collage and gif culture, art and photo books, digital storytelling, self-organisation, grassroots initiatives, intermedia, D.I.Y., graphic design, local communities, socially engaged art practices, screen printing, activism.

Residency of an artist coming from one of the European sister cities of Wrocław will be part of self-publishing residency programme. As a result, a temporary collective of artists, curators, designers, activists and theorists of culture will be established at Recepcja – one of the cultural venues run by the Culture Zone Wrocław, where workshops, artist talks, meetings and presentations will be held.



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## Whom do we invite?

The call is open to artists, curators, designers, activists, educators and theorists of culture, residing, born, creating or studying in one of the following cities: Breda (The Netherlands), Lille and Poitiers (Department La Vienne/France), Dresden and Wiesbaden (Germany), Grodno (Belarus), Hradec Králové (Czech Republic), Kaunas and Vilnius (Lithuania), Lviv (Ukraine), Oxford (The United Kingdom) and Reykjavik (Iceland).

## What do we provide?

- residency in Wrocław (Poland) from 4 to 6 weeks;
- accommodation in Wrocław;
- fee in the amount of EUR 650,00 gross;
- coverage of travel expenses in the amount of EUR 350,00 gross;
- production budget in the amount of EUR 500,00 gross;
- substantive, networking, production and promotional support for the project.

## How to apply?

Applications should consist of the following documents in English:

- applicant's CV and portfolio;
- project's description, along with the schedule of planned activities and a preferred timeframe for the residency (no less than 2000 characters);
- cover letter including applicant's motivation to participate in the project.

Applications should be submitted until **15 March 2019** via the e-mail address: [airwro@strefakultury.pl](mailto:airwro@strefakultury.pl). The e-mail's subject should include the name of the city and the applicant's name and surname.

Call: 4/02 — 15/03/2019

Results: 5/04/2019

Residency period: from 4 to 6 weeks, 1/06 — 31/07/2019  
(schedule will be confirmed with the chosen resident)

Vacancies: 1

## Please notice:




Applying in the call is tantamount to giving consent to the use of the applicant's personal data in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EU) No 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 (GDPR).

Chosen applicant will be obliged to ensure that her or his international health and accident insurance and medical care is valid for the period of the residency at her or his own expense and effort.

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