

# Open call for artist from Wrocław and Lower Silesia

**Culture Zone Wrocław in cooperation with K.A.I.R. Košice Artist in Residence invites visual or interdisciplinary artists from Wrocław and Lower Silesia to take part in a seven-weeks residency in Košice, Slovakia.**

We are searching for a **visual** or **interdisciplinary artist** from Wrocław and Lower Silesia, who would like to deal with the theme of Interconnectedness which highlights the need for contemporary society to be aware of its links with the environment beyond its own region, state or nation, but also beyond the human species. On the one hand, it is the impact of rich regions on developing countries on environmental, economic and political issues. On the other hand, focusing on anthropocentric humanism leads to the creation of a line between human and animal.

The artistic project that we will select through the open call should reflect some of the related issues through the visual art or its overlap into scientific disciplines, sound art, new media or performance:

**What do we need to do to ensure the rights of all, including animals?**

**What can we do to protect this generation and the next generation?**

**How should we consider setting up personal values?**

**How should government, institutions, law or international relations respond?**

At the same time, we are also interested in the individual experience and emotional impact – fear and anxiety, ecological grief, etc.

Only individuals are eligible to apply for the residency.

## PROJECT PARTNERS:

**K.A.I.R. Košice Artist in Residence** is an international Artist-in-Residence programme for artists from all over the world and out of all artistic disciplines and expressions. K.A.I.R. is strongly focused on the creation of international cooperations between the Slovak and foreign artists and art organizations. Since 2011, artists have the possibility to work in the inspiring environment of Kosice`s singular cultural surrounding to realize art projects, collaborate with the agile local art scene and present themselves to the local and national public. K.A.I.R. Košice Artist in Residence also provides opportunities to Slovak artists to travel for residencies within the cooperation with the project partners.

**AIR Wro** is a long-term and interdisciplinary artist-in-residence programme run by Culture Zone Wrocław, established under the auspices of the European Capital of Culture Wrocław 2016. Based on a collaboration of local and foreign partners it aims to create an international platform that will enable artists, curators, animators, managers, organisations and institutions to cooperate and exchange their experiences, practices, ideas and knowledge. In addition Culture Zone Wrocław intends to promote artists, support their development and mobility as well as to give them an opportunity to work and create beyond borders. AIR Wro invites artists who represent different disciplines of art, both emerging and experienced ones, interested in collaboration with representatives of the local art scene, open to get to know the capital of the Lower Silesia Region with its inhabitants, contributing creative connection between Wrocław and cities that they come from.

## WHOM DO WE INVITE?

The call is open to visual or interdisciplinary artists from Wrocław and Lower Silesia.

## WHAT DO WE PROVIDE?

- residency in Košice (Eastern Slovakia) **2.11 – 20.12.2020**;
- accommodation and studio;
- artist fee in the amount of EUR 600,00 gross monthly;
- coverage of travel expenses (one time return, most favorable connection) max. EUR 200 in total;
- production budget in the amount of EUR 200 gross;
- production and promotional support for the project.

## WHAT DO WE EXPECT FROM AN ARTIST?

- participation during the Open Studios Night to introduce himself/herself to the local audience;
- one individual presentation or workshop during the residency;
- final presentation/exhibition at the end of the residency;
- compulsory attendance

## HOW TO APPLY?

Applications should include following documents and be prepared in English:

- applicant's CV with basic informations (name, address, email, website);
- portfolio with selected works (max. 10 pages);
- cover letter including applicant's motivation to participate in the residency and the ideas/ topics working with during the project (max. 1 page).

**Applications can be submitted until 20 September 2020 via the e-mail address: [airwro@strefakultury.pl](mailto:airwro@strefakultury.pl) and should consist of three PDF in English.**

Results until: **28/09/2020**

Residency period: **2/11–20/12/2020**

Vacancies: **1**

**The residency program is supported using public funding by Slovak Arts Council.  
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### Please notice:

*The date of the residency may to be postponed to 2021 in case of the border closures and other security measures related to COVID-19. 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 applicants 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.*