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## 1. \*OPPORTUNITY ALERT\*

## Callout for Derby/Derbyshire Artists for International Exchange Residency & Exhibition with Osnabruck, Germany

Artcore is a dynamic visual arts organisation with two locations in the city of Derby.

This project will take place at our new Albert Street Gallery, a two storey building with a residency/gallery space of around 175 square meters, which faces onto Osnabruck Square, named for Derby's twin city, Osnabruck in northwest Germany. Osnabruck is a historic city of gabled houses with a 13th-century Gothic church, and the Town Hall is where the 1648 Peace of Westphalia was negotiated, bringing the 30 Years' War to an end.

Osnabruck has a lively arts scene; as well as the Felix Nussbaum House, which shows a large collection of works by the local surrealist painter, there are a number of public and commercial galleries, and many artists based in the City.

Through the Derby Twinning Ambassador, we have been in contact with galleries in Osnabruck and identified six artists there who would be keen to take part in an exchange residency, with exhibitions in both cities.

The idea is that we will pair each German artist with an artist in Derby or Derbyshire, and each will host the other as a guest in their home. We are suggesting that the artists spend two weeks in each city and that this will be a collaborative residency and exhibition in each city for all 12 artists which would be hosted by Artcore for the Derby leg, and by our partner gallery in Osnabruck for the German leg.

We would like to invite artists and makers based in Derby and Derbyshire to apply for this opportunity, and once we have selected the six UK artists we will set up a Skype call between the UK and German artists to take the project forward.

Interested artists should submit their proposals and once selected Artcore will support finding funding for the project. The intention is that once the artists are selected we will work with you to apply for an Arts Council England Project Grant, and provide the UK venue for the residency and exhibition, curatorial and technical support, and seed funding for the project.

For more details, you can view our opportunity and apply via curator space - <a href="https://www.curatorspace.com/opportunities/detail/derbyderbyshirebased-artists-for-an-exchange-residency--exhibition-with-osnabruck-germany/4158">https://www.curatorspace.com/opportunities/detail/derbyderbyshirebased-artists-for-an-exchange-residency--exhibition-with-osnabruck-germany/4158</a>

DEADLINE: 01/03/2020

2. At Artcore Gallery our spring open show, STAND UP!, invites artists from across the world to explore and celebrate International Women's Day.

STAND UP! will investigate the role of women in the arts, and their huge impact on the cultural fabric of contemporary society. It will be a platform for artists to re-imagine citizenship, identity and women's labour with a view to informing new visions for the future, in testing times.

STAND UP! will concentrate on artworks focused within the political structure of feminism as well as women impacted by the movement. All media will be accepted—including painting, sculpture, photography, film, video, and performance art—along with symbiotic themes such as media, geography, formal concerns, collective aesthetic, and political impulses. All submissions will be exhibited.

Opening Night: 17:30-19:30 6th March 2020

Exhibition Dates: 7th - 28th March 2020

This exhibition will provide a unique glimpse into the creative processes of women in the arts, their own individual practices, and how their collaborative ideas have recently impacted new investigation on gender equality in contemporary art practices alongside how far women have come in the art world, and how it has been life-saving and changing.

Each artist can submit one artwork for  $\diamondsuit 10$ , two for  $\diamondsuit 15$  and for three  $\diamondsuit 20$ . All submissions will be exhibited.

Make submissions through CuratorSpace and then deliver directly to Artcore Gallery, 8 Albert Street, Osnabruck Square, Derby, DE1 2DS between 11am to 5pm Monday 24th to Thursday 27th February 2020. Curatorspace Deadline - 21 February 2020

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