



# **THE SWISS CHURCH IN LONDON**

## **CAMDEN RESIDENCY PROGRAMME 2021**

### **WHO WE ARE**

The Swiss Church in London is an open, creative and accessible space in a beautiful Grade II listed building set in the heart of London's vibrant Covent Garden. As a Church, we are rooted in the Swiss Reformation, welcoming people from all paths of life and from all church traditions or none regardless of age, race, gender or sexual orientation. We recognise the importance of offering hospitality in a city that can be isolating and impersonal.

People often talk about the feeling of serenity they experience when walking through the doors of the Swiss Church. It is a light and spacious place of calm in the busyness of London life and a troubled world. Our community outreach and cultural programme creates a melting pot of people who would not usually meet.

Arts and music connect to the story of our society and culture. We create a threshold between the sacred and secular worlds, exploring the common ground and what Christianity means to us today.

### **CAMDEN RESIDENCY PROGRAMME**

Twice a year, The Swiss Church in London hosts a three-month artist residency for an artist, arts collective or arts organisation from any artistic discipline. For our 2021 Autumn Arts Residency, we are only inviting applications from local artist, arts collectives and organisations.

The residency will run from September to November 2021, during which the artists will have access to the Church and a workspace can be arranged if wished. An opportunity to be mentored by an appropriate Swiss Church committee member can also be requested. Artists from all artistic disciplines as well as curators are encouraged to apply.

We would also encourage potential applicants to get in touch to schedule a site visit before they apply.

The chosen artist in residence will receive a stipend of £1,500.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

#### **INDIVIDUAL ARTISTS:**

An individual artist may apply if they are a resident of the London Borough of Camden.

#### **ARTS COLLECTIVES/ORGANISATIONS:**

Arts collectives/organisations are eligible if they tick any of the below criteria:

- If the collective/organization's registered address is in the London Borough of Camden
- If the leadership of the organization are residents of the London Borough of Camden
- If over 50% of the participants/beneficiaries of the collective/organization are residents of Camden.

If an artist or arts collective/organization do not fulfill any of the above criteria but feel strongly that they should be eligible, please get in touch with us at [art@swisschurchlondon.org.uk](mailto:art@swisschurchlondon.org.uk)

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE: 30 June 2021, midnight**

The application form can be found [HERE](#)

Applications can be made via video or voice recording. The Swiss Church is fully wheelchair accessible. Phone 07590 879201 or email [art@swisschurchlondon.org.uk](mailto:art@swisschurchlondon.org.uk) for more information.

Successful applicants will be contacted by 19 July 2021. Unsuccessful shortlisted artists will be able to request feedback. Please note that the Swiss Church Arts Committee is unable to enter into any correspondence about decisions taken in committee meetings concerning the selection of projects.

**THE PROJECT MUST:**

1. Demonstrate a high standard of artistic quality or specialist skill
2. Be considerate of the place in subject and professional in implementation
3. Be accessible to the public
4. Promote sustainability and be socially inclusive
5. Be submitted in English
6. Be submitted by the relevant deadline (see dates listed above). Applications submitted at a later stage cannot be considered
7. The successful applicant will be required to work at the Swiss Church in London for a minimum of two days per week.

We take good care of your personal information. For details of our data privacy policy, **please click here (LINK SCL GDPR statement)**.