



Fresh A.I.R. #10

CALL FOR APPLICATION

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Information

The Fresh A.I.R. scholarships of the Foundation Berliner Leben offer artists and cultural practitioners the time, space and resources to devote themselves to an artistic project in accordance with the Foundation's funding priorities. Up to 13 artists are invited to live and work in our artist residencies in Berlin for 11 months.

The current call is for the 10th class starting in January 2025 and ending in December 2025.

Thematic Call:

»I AM FLUX: The Freedom of Being and the Possibilities of Becoming«

Art has the ability to convey the relevance and complexity of themes of our time in unexpected ways. Under the title »I AM FLUX: The Freedom of Being and the Possibilities of Becoming,« the 10th class deals with the inexhaustible capacity for development and transformation of human beings and their perspectives on themselves.

We encourage artists to take a critical look at selected socially relevant thematic complexes and to apply with projects that contribute to raising awareness about the contents of the call and enriching ongoing discourses. Within the framework of »I AM FLUX,« three thematic fields of action, namely »HORIZONS OF BEING,« »WHISPERS OF EXISTENCE,« and »BEYOND LIMITS,« are being introduced. Project ideas will be supported in which at least one of the three thematic focuses finds expression in the artistic works.

1. »HORIZONS OF BEING«

In the first thematic field of action »HORIZONS OF BEING,« artists and cultural practitioners are invited to investigate the multi-layered and dynamic nature of gender identity. Through artistic expressions, the focus is primarily on embodiments, practices and self-perceptions of people who do not identify with the gender assigned to them at birth.

Funding will be provided for:

- Projects that address the diversity and manifestation of gender identity and/or the development and shaping of gender possibilities, realities, as well as perceptions and representations.
- Projects that identify and critically artistically reflect upon the current heteronormative hierarchical structure of gender, both in its institutional and everyday routine forms.
- Projects that promote a broader conception of gender.

2. »WHISPERS OF EXISTENCE«

The second thematic field of action, »WHISPERS OF EXISTENCE,« is intended to emphasise the metaphysical dimension of art. Through artistic expression, the imagination is intended to be challenged and expanded in diverse ways.

Funding will be provided for:

- Projects that place art as a metaphysical activity at the center, addressing and reflecting upon ontological questions.
- Projects that artistically process a transgression of the experiential reality of the natural self.

3. »BEYOND LIMITS«

The third field of action, »BEYOND LIMITS,« serves as a platform supporting the exploration of various approaches through which art and creativity, in conjunction with other influences, endeavor to redefine the boundaries of the human in new ways.

Funding will be provided for:

- Projects that aim to experimentally expand human potential or those centered around (self-)creation within the imaginative space of natural or technological (further) development.
- Projects that examine 'Creative Artificial Intelligence' and the fundamentally changing possibilities of artistic expression resulting from the application of the latest technologies.
- Projects that delve into historical forms of surpassing bodily boundaries and explore the visions, opportunities, consequences, and dangers associated with them.

Application

Application deadline: **Sunday, 18 February 2024**

Applications are only accepted via our application platform.

You can find further information at

<https://urban-nation.com/artist-in-residence-scholarships/>