

Call for Entries: Artist Program

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a Wonder Women project at _gaia

"What difference does it make to the dead, the orphans, and the homeless, whether the mad destruction is wrought under the name of totalitarianism or the holy name of liberty and democracy?"
----- Mahatma Gandhi

Are we in the throes of a third world war? What would another world war look like? How would an escalation in the current *War on Terror* affect our lives and those of the people of this planet? What changes would it create for the globe and our place in it? What, if anything have we learned from our violent histories? How can we reflect our fears, concerns and protests through our artwork and activism?

Wonder Women invites you to participate in a residency program to engage in discussion about your work, our cultural climate, the history of art, war, feminism, and social change. We are interested in creating a dialogue and artwork that explores the issues of war and protest in the modern age. Weekly discussions will address issues related to feminism, gender, war, and protest as they relate to art practice. Each participant is encouraged to bring as much as possible to the group, including readings, artist heroes, activist heroes, feminist heroes, ideas, etc.

Every Sunday, beginning January 6th [through February 10th] accepted applicants will meet as a group at _gaia studio in Hoboken to discuss current social issues and topics brought forth by participants. There will be a potluck lunch each Sunday with group discussion and critique of works in progress. All accepted applicants must commit to all Sunday meetings (see schedule below). At the end of the program there will be a group exhibition at Mana Fine Arts in Jersey City.

History:

Wonder Women is a residency program in its third year presented by _gaia at their studio in Hoboken, NJ. The Wonder Women mission is to engage practicing, yet underrepresented artists who are eager to participate in a collective dialogue about the art world and feminism today.

_gaia, an environment for creative process in Hoboken, NJ is dedicated to fostering women's activism, art practice and study. www.gaiastudio.org. This year the Wonder Women project is being organized and curated by Doris Caçoilo and Joanna Rose White.

Submission Guidelines

Eligibility: Wonder Women is currently accepting proposals and portfolios from individuals working in all media and disciplines from the NJ/NY area. Artists are required to attend weekly meetings to take place in Hoboken, NJ accessible by car and PATH trains. Address: 66 Willow Ave 3rd Floor, Hoboken, NJ. (5 minute walk from the Hoboken PATH Station)

Portfolio: All media are acceptable. Artists should submit 5 to 10 images/samples of current works either by email submission or by slide sheet/CD/DVD.

Proposals: 2-3 paragraphs describing a project you wish to complete during the residency. Please include any visual documentation of proposal ideas. Proposals should specify why and/or how this project or your work considers the themes of the residency. Projects can change as the residency progresses.

Additional Materials: A resume and short biography are required. An artist statement is recommended. Please include your name and contact information on each page.

Deadline: Friday, December 7th, 2007

Residency Meeting Times: Meetings will take place on Sunday afternoons from 1pm to 5pm from January 6th through February 10th.

Participation Fee: Upon acceptance to the residency, artists will be asked to donate \$35 to cover the costs of promotion and facility fees.

Calendar:

December 7th, 2007 (midnight)..... Submission Deadline
December 14th, 2007 Notification of acceptance
January 6th, 2008 1-5pm First Meeting
January 13th, 2008 1-5pm Second Meeting
January 20th, 2008 1-5pm Third Meeting
January 27th, 2008 1-5pm Fourth Meeting
February 3rd, 2008 1-5pm Fifth Meeting (as needed)
February 10th, 2008 1-5pm Final Critique
(Early March TBD) Exhibition Opens

Send completed application and submission materials via e-mail to:
wonderwomen@gaiastudio.org

or mail to _gaia at:

Doris Cacoilo c/o _gaia
66 Willow Avenue, 3rd floor
Hoboken NJ, 07302

Artist Checklist:

Deadline for submission is December 7th 2007

- Completed Application (form attached)
- Proposal
- Portfolio: digital materials/slides (5-10)
- Resume and Bio
- Artist Statement (recommended, not required)

If you are submitting non-digital materials, please include SASE for return of materials.

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Application:

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Name:

Address:

Contact information: (phone, e-mail)

Webpage/URL:

Brief statement of interest (2-3 paragraphs):

The deadline is December 7, 2007. Accepted applicants will be contacted by December 14, 2007. Discussion sessions will begin January 6, 2008 at 1pm. Please contact us with any questions or for more information. wonderwomen@gaiastudio.org

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