

OPEN CALL FOR SOUND ARTISTS FROM NORDIC AND BALTIC REGIONS

The cultural complex SODAS 2123 invites sound artists to a funded 2-month-long artist-in-residency programme in Vilnius, Lithuania.

The SODAS 2123 residency programme seeks artists who use field recordings, autotuned, sung or spoken words, mixed sounds, installations or other sonic interpretations to react to the latest (geo)political, ecological and social issues. We are interested in manifestations of sounds that raise important questions and construct visions of social, cultural and spatial futures. The programme is open to various sound art formats. Artists with various backgrounds are welcome to apply.

The SODAS 2123 cultural complex is a self-governing community-based space, operated and curated by the Lithuanian Interdisciplinary Artists' Association. It brings together creators and researchers from different fields, with practices based on experimentation and developing unexpected formats.

With over 50 artists' studios, rehearsal studios for bands, offices for design, film and visual arts organisations, exhibition spaces, event spaces, various workshops, a café, a public outdoor garden space, a public allotment and more, SODAS 2123 provides space for a variety of art and cultural disciplines and each resident of the complex is open to sharing, learning and craftsmanship.

By giving the residency program participants curatorial support, consulting residents about their artistic projects and research, organising studio visits to local artists' studios, project spaces, exhibitions spaces and other residency centres, the SODAS 2123 residency programme aims to build long-term relations between visiting artists and the local art scene.

Residency dates:

– from December 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023

– from April 1, 2023 to May 31, 2023

The residency grant is 1600 EUR per artist (tax inclusive).

Three artists will be selected and invited to live and develop their residency projects in SODAS 2123.

Only artists from Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Iceland, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania (as well as the Faroe Islands, Greenland, and Åland) are eligible to apply.

Residents will be living in the studio apartments at SODAS 2123. The complex is located in a repurposed school building about 15 minutes walk from Vilnius Old Town, in a calm and friendly neighbourhood called Rasų Kolonija. The residency provides individual rooms (28 m² individual room with kitchenette and bathroom or 27 m² individual room with shared kitchen and bathroom) and the opportunity to work in a shared studio.

Please send the filled **application form** to residency@sodas2123.lt by September 10, 2022. Applications will be evaluated by the SODAS 2123 curatorial team. The main selection criteria will be the applicant's creative practice and experimentation, the relevance and importance of topics and thematic questions the artist is raising within their artworks, the necessity to develop artistic projects in SODAS 2123 and its cultural value for the local community.

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