

Call for applications

Artistic residency for a South American artist at La Becque, in la Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland, in 2019

Residency supported by the Swiss Arts Council Pro Helvetia in the context of its South America programme «COINCIDENCIA».

Programme date: 2019, to be decided.

Application deadline: November 15, 2018, at 23:59 hrs. Swiss time.

In this initial period of its existence, [La Becque](#) is partnering with [COINCIDENCIA](#) - South America programme by the [Swiss Arts Council Pro Helvetia](#), and launches an open call for two three-month residencies. The grant is offered to artists living in South America and is open to all artistic disciplines, as long as their interest connect with notions of nature, territory and/or technology, in dialogue with the thematical axes of COINCIDENCIA. There is no age limit.

Located on an exceptional site on the shores of Lake Geneva in La Tour-de-Peilz, midway between Vevey and Montreux, the artist residency La Becque was developed under the conduct of the Fondation Françoise Siegfried-Meier. From spring 2019, it will start welcoming artists from all over the world, both up-and-coming and confirmed practitioners, active in potentially all artistic disciplines.

In addition to its principal program, La Becque will also partner up with international and Swiss collectives and collaborate with them to develop specific, tailor-made residency programs.

All programmes at La Becque will dedicate particular attention to projects exploring the themes of nature and technology – two notions that are increasingly intertwined, and at the core of contemporary preoccupations.

THE PRO HELVETIA RESIDENCY INCLUDES:

- Travel expenses: international flights
- Accommodation and per diem allowance.
- Optional contribution to a production budget

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SELECTED ARTIST:

- Obtaining a visa if necessary
- Obtaining required travel insurance
- Agreement of compliance to the rules and considerations regarding the use of the allocated space
- Engage in any coordinated events and activities that La Becque requires

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS – Send the following items in a single PDF file:

- **Brief biography** – Send a brief professional biography (300 words maximum), in English (or French).
- **Brief presentation of recent works** – Describe the ideas behind your work in a way that helps the jurors understand its themes, concerns and intentions (300 words maximum).
- **Five images or recordings of recent works** – Send a dossier with five images / recordings of recent works, each with a brief description. Videos must be uploaded to YouTube or Vimeo. Please include the appropriate links and passwords to the videos in the dossier.

THE APPLICANT MUST:

- Submit the application by November 15, 2018 via email to coincidencia@prohelvetia.ch.
- Compile all documentation in a single PDF file of less than 10 MB. Write the following in the subject line and in the name of the file: COINCIDENCIA – Pro Helvetia Residency La Becque / Name of applicant.

The chosen applicant will be informed by email **the latest by the middle of January 2019**. For further information please contact coincidencia@prohelvetia.ch