

Dornach, August 28th 2020

ANNOUNCEMENT ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE**Residence „Drop Out“ („Aussteigen“) 2021 in the Dornach monastery**

The Dornach (SO) monastery, built in the 17th century, was dissolved by the Swiss Capuchins in 1994. Since 1996 the facility is run and operated by a foundation as a modern business with its four divisions restaurant, hotel, culture and church. After a classy renovation of the rooms, one of the former monastery cells has been made available for artists, people engaged in the cultural sector or humanists for an independent, freelance stay lasting ten to fourteen days. Starting Monday January 4th with arrival on respective Mondays from 2 p.m. and departure on respective Wednesdays or Sundays until 11 a.m.

The residency “Drop Out” welcomes you to take a contemplative and creative break in the monastic tradition of retreat and reflection. To always one person per stay we are offering our hotel room and former monastery cell "Aufatmen" (German for “respire”) equipped with a writing desk and a view of the monastery garden, along with half board (breakfast and dinner, vegetarian meals on request). There is no artist’s studio available. In exchange, we are expecting you to participate in the gardening of our monastery as well as to make artistic and cultural contributions to the monastery or to our program.

Every first Tuesday there is a lunch with our program director in the context of a “jour fixe”. It serves as a possibility to present oneself and one’s work as well as one’s motivation for the stay and to have the opportunity to find a brisk exchange with the place and its people.

The tendering will be published on August 28th 2020 in the press and via social media.

The application’s deadline is October 30th 2020. The following must be submitted:

- Detailed curriculum vitae (including portfolio if available)
- Letter of motivation: Why do I want to take a time out in the Dornach monastery for 10-14 days? What do I expect from my stay? (one A4 page)
- What kind of cooperation in the monastery garden and artistic / cultural contributions will I contribute as a thank-you? (1/2 A4 page)
- Indication of the desired stay and the length of stay, stating 1st and 2nd priority: From Monday to Wednesday (10 days) or Monday to Sunday (14 days). Arrival days are Mondays (all in 2021): January 4th, January 18th, February 1st, February 15th, March 1st, March 15th, March 29th, April 12th, April 26th, May 10th, May 24th, June 7th, June 21st, July 5th, July 19th, August 2nd, August 16th, August 30th, September 13th, September 27th, October 11th, October 25th, November 8th, November 22nd, December 6th.

The application documents are to be submitted in print out and digitally as a PDF by email until October 30th 2020 (date of postmark) at the latest. You will be notified by email until November 20th 2020.

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