

2015 BCS Open Call Guideline

Creative Talents Program

Applicants are required to read and agree to the following provisions and requirements before sending their applications.

The Bamboo Curtain Studio (BCS) in Taiwan aims to promote cross-cultural exchanges by providing a meeting point for creative talents from national and international art related fields, for short stay or specific projects.

Since 2009, Bamboo Curtain Studio (BCS) has launched a residency program. It aims to provide times and spaces for creative talents to do experimental works, outreach projects, collaborations or research. In 2012, we focus more on “Creative Talents” which their projects will bring out new ideas, concepts to their communities, societies and the world without regard to the age, gender, race and nationality. This program will provide three artists with either a free studio or accommodation space (a choice of only one) for up to two months.

Bamboo Curtain studio

Bamboo Curtain Studio (BCS) is a non-profit organization founded in 1995. The goal of BCS is to encourage cross cultural exchanges, national and international, by providing a platform that stimulate new ideas and possibilities. BCS has open-call for artist/curator/researcher around the world from September to October each year. The Studio also aims to create an environment that lifts barriers to provide quality spaces, facilities, and services for on-site production and research. In addition, BCS works closely with local communities to bring awareness about the environment; the project of Art as Environment – A Cultural Action at the Plum Tree Creek has been awarded and recognized national and internationally.

To apply for BCS Creative Talent Program, please follow the instruction below:

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Studio and accommodation

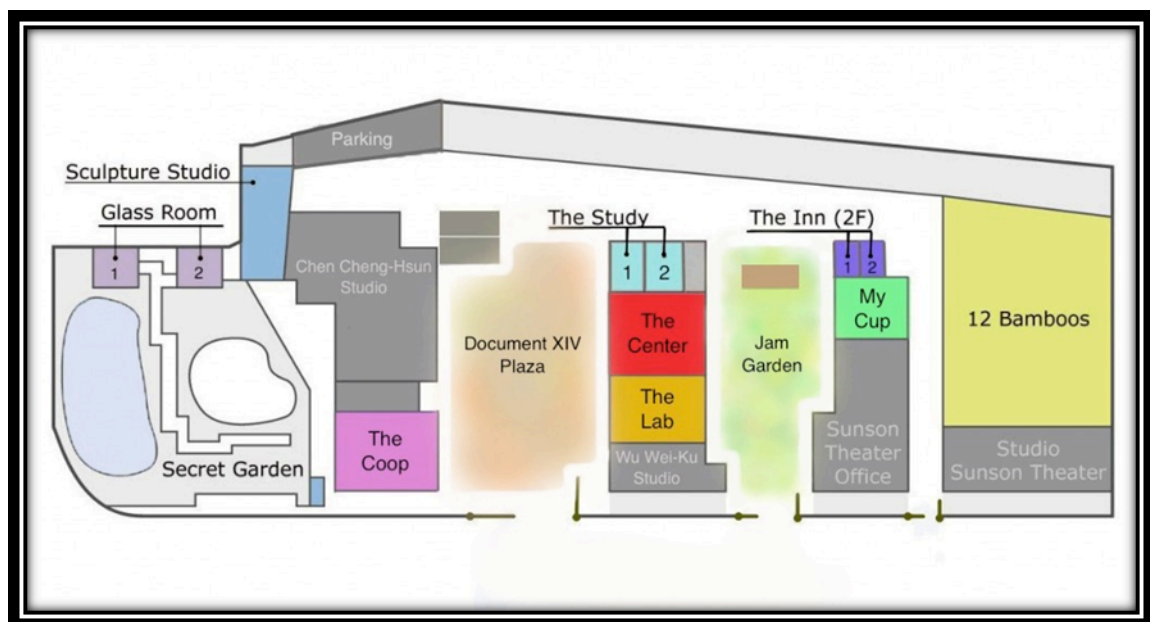
Bamboo Curtain Studio (BCS) is originally a chicken farm turned artist – studio space with artist-in-residency program. The studio content two buildings with 5 different rooms available for artist, with a private share toilet and Kitchen.

In each room, BCS provides all the basic daily needs such as, a bed, desk, chair and AC, and etc. BCS also provides various indoor and outdoor space for exhibition and performances.

Notice

- * All BCS rooms are smoke free. Smoking area are locate outside the kitchen.
- * Artist are responsible to clean their own room and some shared space as resident.

Floor Plan of Bamboo Curtain Studio



For more information please refer to our website for details.

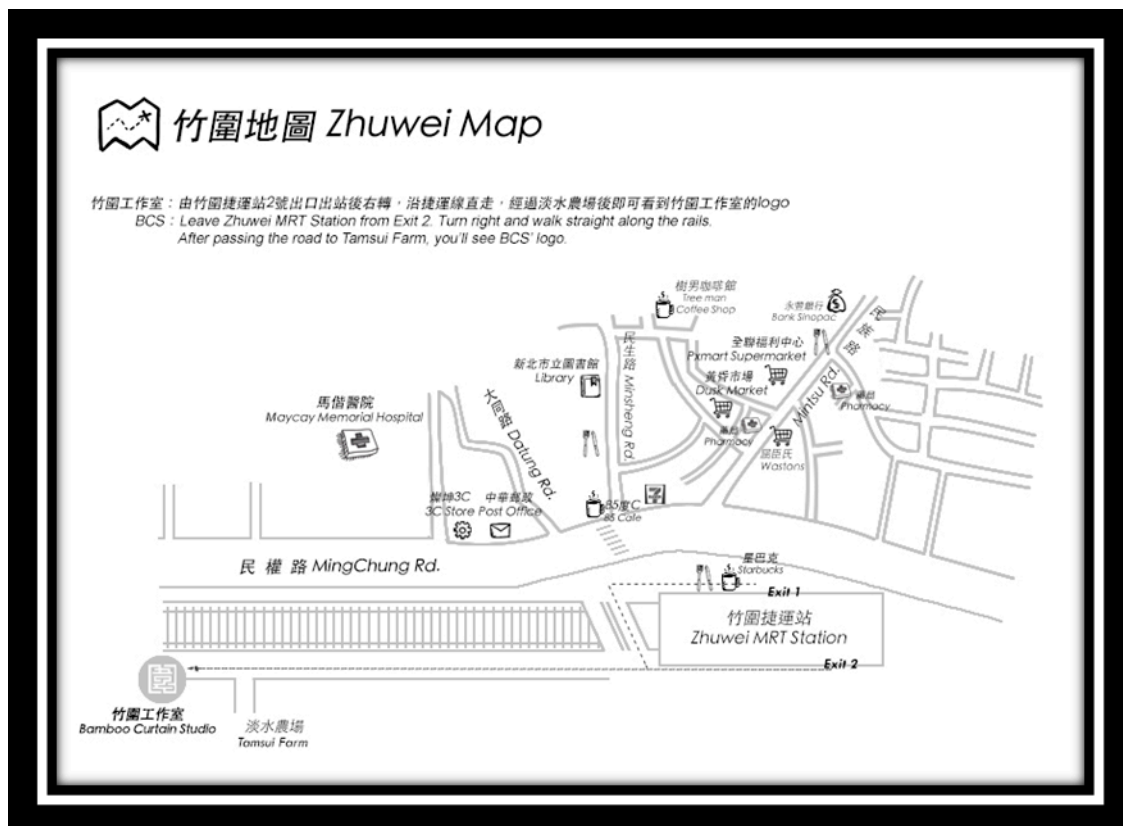
<http://bambooculture.com/en/space>

Nearby Services

BCS is located within 10 minutes walking distance of public transportation, MRT and Bus. Bicycles are available for all BCS resident. Although we are not located in the center of the city, basic needs are availed within 10 minutes reach by walk or bicycle.

List of services:

- Bank
- Convenience Store
- Grocery Store
- Hardware Store
- Hospital
- Post Office
- Restaurants – average 100-150 NTD per meal



Fees and expenses

BCS will offer the accepted applicant maximum two month accommodation or exhibition space, choice of one category only - With the exception of 12 bamboo which BCS can only offer one month free. All living, transportation and other expenses will be paid by the artist. The basic average living standard in Taiwan is around 500 USD.

BCS do not have funding program. Artists are encouraged to apply for funding on their own. BCS will help by providing invitation letter and all needed documents to accepted applicants for grants in their own countries.

BCS provides airport pick up – the cost is 35 USD per trip with reservation only.

Duration of Residency

Selected artist may choose their two month free space from January 2015-December 2015.

Eligibility

BCS residency program is open to all professionally established visual artist, performer, curator, and researcher, both individual and group. Emerging artists are also welcome to apply.

We especially welcome applicants working in the area of **cross discipline, ecology and environment, and community engagement projects.**

All applicant must be able to communicate in English or Chinese.

Studio support actions

- Welcome session – All resident are invited to lunch or dinner whereby he/she meets the director of BCS, management staff and other resident artist.
- Weekly meeting – All resident are invited to weekly meeting with residency manager to extract information or possible event planning.
- BCS update all resident about the artistic and cultural events in Taipei depend on the area of interests of each resident.
- BCS connects the resident with local artistic and cultural organization and professionals in his/her area of interest.
- For artist staying more than one month, BCS invites the resident to organize an event – An open studio, exhibition and artist talks are events whereby the artists

can share his/her project with local community or professionals. Workshops that engaged with Plum tree creek project are highly recommended but not required.

Expectations

- Selected artist are expected to give artist talks and participated in BCS artistic and cultural activates.
- Participated in our residency promotional events.
- Selected artist are require to submit a residency report, with in 2 pages, listing participated event and activities, project achievements or result, and feedbacks.
- 10 residency photo and BCS questionnaire.

NOTES

- Selected applicant can only choose free working or living space, except for 12 bamboo. BCS can only offer one month free usage for 12 bamboo. For artist who needs both living and working space, additional fee will apply - Bamboo Curtain studio offer 50% discount to the preferable space choice.
- Additional fees will apply for artist who needs personal assistant, translator, or any other special requirement.

Residency Partner

- Taiwan residency partner: Taipei Artist Village, Treasure Hill Artist Village, Bywood Art Space, and Soulang Culture Park, etc.
- Alliance of Artists' Communities – Chairman of Taiwan group member.
- Trans Cultural Exchange – 2013 Board member
- Res Artis – 2002-2006 Board member

How to apply

Please send your application to bcsoencall@bambooculture.com in English or Chinese.

- Please state **【 2015 creative talent + Name 】** when submitting your application

Application Deadline

All applications must be submitted by email before **November 30th, 2014**

- Only the accepted applicant will be contacted personally by e-mail. Please refer to the BCS website for the selected result.

Requirement

Please follow the instructions below. Incomplete applications will not be put in consideration.

Each Application must include:

- Complete application form
- Resume and personal link
- 10 Work samples – Please find the requirements for different categories below.
- A short description of the work or project. The description should not exceed 2 pages.
- Project proposal – The project proposal should include the concept and content with a preferable carry-out period.
- Reference – Each applicant must provide two reference names. “Signed” references by professionals are recommended but not required.

Couple or Team application

If applying as a couple or collaborative team, please have at least one person listed as the main contact person. As a collaborative team **MUST** include the following in your statement of project: group name (if applicable), a list of participating members, and your specific needs for accommodations and workspace. In addition, each member must supply an individual resume as part of the group application.

All Disciplines

Current work is requested. The submitted work samples should correspond to the nature of the work you propose to do while in residence. An applicant's work sample is the most significant feature of the application.

Visual Art

Provide 10-15 images in JPEG format along with a document that contains your name, and lists the JPEG filename, title, medium, size and year of completion for each image. JPEG files should be at least 800×600 pixels and formatted to 72dpi. NO TIFF OR PSD FILES ACCEPTED. Each filename must be numbered and correspond to the accompanying work-sample description document.

Writing

The writing sample should be representative of the genre in which you plan to work while in residence. Provide one document that contains a sample as follows:

- Fiction: 5 pages of a novel excerpt, a story, or short stories.
- Poetry: 2 pages of poetry.
- Nonfiction: 5 pages of nonfiction.
- Playwriting: one complete play.
- Screen writing: one complete screenplay.

Include in this document a cover page that contains the applicant's name, and lists the title and date of completion for each sample.

Performance/Film

Provide three separate works of 10 – 15 minutes each in audio or video format along with one document that lists the filename, title, and year of completion for each work, and that clearly summarizes the applicant's role on the work. Film/video scriptwriters should also send a script.

Curatorial Research

Provide one document that contains up to 2 pages of abstracts, excerpts, links to publications or short papers that are representative of your work. Include in this document a cover page that contains your name, lists the title and date of completion for each work, and a description of your area of research.

Other

If your project does not fall clearly within one of the above disciplines, please send an email to the Residency Manager at info@bambooculture.com to discuss an appropriate work sample.

Application evaluation:

BCS application are evaluated by our rotating board advisor formed by independent curator, architect, performance director, museum director, and cross discipline professor. Due to short hand on staff, only the selected artist will receive invitation email from BCS.

If you have any questions, please write to

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For more information about room types, facilities and fee,

visit us at <http://bambooculture.com/en/space>