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PUBLIC ART  
RESIDENCY  
PROJECT



## **RESIDENCY INFORMATION & APPLICATION**

**2023-2024 Submissions Open: January 21, 2023**

**Deadline to Apply: March 27, 2023**

**Selections announced: March 31, 2023**

Apply here: <https://forms.gle/v3LoPeBUJ8435fvP8>



Founded in 2022, ¿WILD? is a public art residency project collaboration between Torrance Art Museum and Madrona Marsh Preserve and Nature Center, with support from the Torrance Art Museum Advocates (TAMA) and Friends of Madrona Marsh (FOMM).

The residency program invites contemporary artists with an environmental focus to interact with the Madrona Marsh Preserve, scientists, researchers, students, and the public for a period of one (1) month, during which they will research, develop, and build a site specific work of art, to be presented on the public grounds around the preserve for four (4) months.

The program offers a unique opportunity for artists interested in ecological issues to engage with a rich and unique ecosystem. The program facilitates novel linkage between artists, the natural world present in the marsh, pressing biological concerns, and the public.

Each year, this residency program invites two (2) artists to create works of art in this non-institutional setting so as to engage with a diverse audience, cultivate interdisciplinary networks, and to foster a sense of connection to the multifaceted environmental value of the preserve.

**Artists considered for this program are at all stages of their careers and work in all media, including drawing, painting, photography, sculpture, film, video, new media, installation, interdisciplinary, social practice and architecture.**

**¿WILD? fosters artistic development and environmental engagement through opportunities for exploring, research, creative growth and cross-discipline exchange with the environmental community.**

**1 Month Artist Residencies:**

April 18, 2023 - May 16, 2023

October 17, 20223 - November 14, 2023

Submission Deadline for Residencies - March 27, 2023

**Selection Process:** Artists are selected to attend the residency by the Residency Committee. The committee reviews all applications submitted to the program. Selection is based on the merit of the artist's portfolio and the residency proposal. The two selections for the year are announced March 31st, 2023.

**Stipend Information:** Residency recipients will receive a five hundred (500) dollar scholarship/stipend to deter costs of participating in the program. Residency recipients will also receive a one hundred (100) dollar supplies budget for art supplies, transportation, etc.

**Accommodations:** The residency provides a dedicated space to work at the Madrona Marsh Nature Center as well as safe storage space for supplies and tools. While the program is open to all artists geographically, it is geared towards local artists as housing is not included in the program.

**Residency Terms and Expectations:**

Projects submitted for the residency must be safe for the public, engaging, dynamic, site specific, and durable.

The artwork must also create a dialogue with its environment, the last remaining vernal freshwater marsh in Los Angeles County, connecting viewers to the preserve and environmental issues encapsulated in its borders as a "SEA." (A Significant Ecological Area designation is given to land that contains irreplaceable biological resources)

Artists must provide transportation to and from the program. Artists chosen must be able to be on site for at least two days a week. Artists are welcome to have visitors during the residency.

Artists chosen for the residency will be required to exhibit their project for a four month period after the residency.

**Mid-Residency Review:** Artists will share their work-in-progress with the committee members during a mid-residency review, as an opportunity to discuss progress or any issues.

**Final Exhibition:** The work will be on display to the public for four (4) months after the completion of the residency. Artists have the option of an in person opening for their work at the Madrona Marsh Nature Center or a Zoom presentation.



If you have any questions, email [hezcurra@torranceca.gov](mailto:hezcurra@torranceca.gov) or call 310 618 3842

Artists must be 21 years or older.

All US and International artists are eligible for the ¿WILD? program.