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## Call For Application

## Manifesto for Accessible Arts Festival (MAAF)

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### What?

- The aim of this project is to design a Manifesto for Accessible Arts Festival (MAAF) for an all-access festival co-hosted between Wales and India.
- MAAF will be a structured toolkit that focuses on providing a global platform for artists with disabilities.
- It will cater to the needs of audiences with disabilities and provide a universally designed space, without adopting an 'able-ist' approach.

## Why?

The purpose of the MAAF is to increase representation, voice the needs of artists with disabilities, and enable diverse audiences to participate in the arts through accessible space planning.

## Who?

- This is an open call for all artists with disabilities irrespective of their race, gender, sex, caste/social class.
- We are looking for emerging or mid-career artists or those with no/little experience in their own artistic practice but are willing and unafraid to take risks and explore new opportunities.

**NOTE:**

The program will be conducted in English (supported by sign language interpreters).

Applicants need to be comfortable with spoken and written English.

Applicants should also submit their application and supporting documents in English.\*

\* *Additional support can be provided in Welsh and Hindi. Please contact us for further information on [reachmaaf@gmail.com](mailto:reachmaaf@gmail.com)*

## Where?

- In light of the covid-19 pandemic, the project will take place as a digital artist residency using digital media to virtually connect six artists with one another.
- Three artists will be from Wales and three artists will be from India.

## How?

- The six selected artists will participate in an intensive, collaborative workshop over the course of two weeks.
- It will be for four days a week.
- Ground covered will include new practices and lectures on various issues of relevance.
- The participants will respond to what they learn and bring their own creative output to their findings.
- The six selected artists will receive remuneration for their participation in the residency.

**At the end of this process, the project organisers will be looking to invite artists to join the full MAAF project.**

**Decisions will be based on the ideas, approaches and discussions that emerge during the workshop and how they fit with the priorities of the partner organisations.**

## **When?**

**Dates: 28th September to 8th October 2021  
(4 days a week)**

## **Disclaimer:**

**Schedules are subject to change depending on how the covid-19 situation develops in Wales and India over the coming months.**

## Important Dates for Application:

- **Announcement of Call:**  
**20<sup>st</sup> July 2021**
- **Final date to Submit Applications:**  
**15<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

## How to apply?

- Please make sure you have internet connectivity.
- Please click here to start the application  
<https://www.accessforall.co/how-to-apply>

## NOTE:

- After submitting your application, you will hear from us within 48 hours to confirm that your application has been received.
- If you do not hear from us or if you have any questions, please contact us directly at the following email address: [reachmaaf@gmail.com](mailto:reachmaaf@gmail.com)

- After clicking **SUBMIT** on the application page, please wait for the upload to complete before leaving the page.
- Word Document can also be emailed to [reachmaaf@gmail.com](mailto:reachmaaf@gmail.com)

Thank you again for your interest. This is a really exciting time for us, especially as we tackle the challenges that have been posed by the pandemic. We can't wait to get started and work in new, inclusive ways with a selection of outstanding creative artists.

If you have any questions, please contact us directly by emailing [reachmaaf@gmail.com](mailto:reachmaaf@gmail.com)

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