



New Roots Foundation Residency Application

Applications are open yearly from January 1- March 1.

GENERAL INFORMATION

New Roots Foundation offers residencies by invitation and application for emerging and established artists, scholars, curators and historians. To qualify, individuals must be working professionally in their field and must demonstrate quality of work, commitment to their process and an interest in connecting with other residents and the local community.

Residencies are granted to one artist at a time, with the exception of artist duos, who are welcome to submit a single application.

While residents are not required to exhibit work during their stay, New Roots Foundation encourages participants to share their process and art with the community of La Nueva Fábrica through studio visits and informal conversations and gatherings.

While not required, basic knowledge of Spanish is beneficial. While the staff at NRF will help residents navigate their stay in Guatemala, artists are expected to be self-motivated and independent.

New Roots Foundation welcomes individuals of all backgrounds to apply for admission and does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of age, gender, religion, nationality, marital status, ancestry, color, race, disability or sexual orientation.

RESIDENCY LENGTH AND DATES

Residency dates and lengths vary. Residents stay for a minimum of 2 weeks and a maximum of 8 weeks. The dates and length of the residency will be determined upon acceptance. While some residencies are programmed for the last quarter of the application year, most are scheduled for the following year.

RESOURCES

Residents will have scheduled access to a 100,000 sq ft textile mill, carpentry shop, metal workshop and studio space.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

New Roots Foundation provides residents with on-site housing, transportation to and from the airport, and a stipend towards materials and/or production costs. Airfare to and from Guatemala is not included and is the responsibility of the resident. Upon being awarded a residency, New Roots Foundation will schedule a call with the artist to discuss residency logistics and stipend amounts.

The textile mill is an independent business, and collaborates with New Roots Foundation to allow access to artists in residence. While the mill often donates materials and offers educational resources to residents, complex or large-scale projects often incur a fee. For such projects, residents must submit a proposal, and come to a written agreement with New Roots Foundation staff and the production team at the textile mill.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

All applicants must submit

- At least 1 of the following forms of work documentation from within the past 5 years: up to 10 images in JPEG format, 10 minutes of video sent *only* as links to a youtube or vimeo file, 2 published writing samples, video or audio of lectures/conferences
- A letter of intent outlining interest and project proposal during stay
- CV and/or resume
- Two references who know the applicant personally and can speak to their professional capacity and their suitability to work with others in a collaborative environment
- Optional: link to applicant's website
- Optional: up to 3 press/media links

Applications must be emailed with the subject "Residency Application [application year]" to info@newrootsfoundation.org with the following guidelines:

- Images must be saved as JPEGs and attached in a zip file
- Individual images must follow the naming convention: lastname_01.jpg
- Writing samples must be attached as PDF or .doc/.docx file
- CV and/or resume must be attached as PDF or .doc/.docx file
- Video submission may be video art or documentation of applicant's work
- Video links must be provided in the body of the email
- Reference contact information must include full name, telephone number and email address, and must be provided in the body of the email

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Only digital materials will be accepted.

PRIVACY

We take applicant's' privacy seriously. Applications will be shared with the selection committee solely for the purpose of admission.