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SSW x COUNTERFLOWS CAREGIVERS RESIDENCY Application Questions

Deadline for applications:

Wednesday 15th October 2025 at midday.

This is a copy of the questions on the application form for the SSW x Counterflows Caregivers Residency. You can use this to prepare your answers before submitting them through the online form.

If, for access reasons, you would prefer not to submit through the online form, complete the questions in this document and send it by email to arts@ssw.org.uk before the deadline, with 'Caregivers Residency Application' in the subject line.

Please also complete the separate Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) form through the online form or the separate EDI form document and send it by email to arts@ssw.org.uk.

Please contact us at SSW if you have any questions about this residency, if you have technical difficulties or you have access requirements that we can support you with in the application process.

1. Your name:

2. What are your pronouns?

Tell us how you like to be referred to, for example they/them, he/him, she/her or any others.

3. Are you applying collaboratively?

Yes	
No (please skip to question 6)	

4. Second applicant's name:

5. Second applicant's pronouns:

6. Email address:

7. Phone number:

8. What is your preferred contact method?

If you have no preference please select both.

Phone	
Email	

9. Are you based in Scotland?

Applicants for the SSW x Counterflows Caregivers Residency must be based in Scotland.

10. Tell us about what interests and excites you in your practice.

- we want to hear about what you are thinking about and exploring through your work.
- please use clear and simple language
- we are not looking for a CV or exhibition/performance history here, rather to understand what you are doing and what drives your practice forward
- If you are submitting a recording, please paste the link and any related passwords in the box.

(Approx. 400 words / 2 minute recording)

11. What would you like to do on residency at SSW and why can't you access this elsewhere in Scotland?

- we do not need you to tell us about a 'final work' you want to make on residency. Instead please tell us what you would like to learn and work through while you are here.
- how will you use the facilities and technical knowledge at SSW (our large communal studio, ceramics workshop and metal fabrication workshop).
- look at the SSW and Counterflows websites to understand what is available to you through the residency and what we can support with our facilities, programmes, location and expertise.
- try to be realistic with what you propose
- Let us know why you can only do this through this residency
- if you are submitting an audio or video recording please paste a link to this and any passwords in the box

(Approx. 400 words / 2 minute recording)

12. How would the residency be useful for you? How would it support the continued development of your practice?

- *try to be as specific as possible*
- *tell us how the residency will support your continued development as an artist*
- *we are aware that many artist-caregivers will need the funds, time, space and facilities available so try to connect your specific needs at this time (personal and professional) to what we can provide through the residency and what you would like to do on residency.*
- *if you are submitting an audio/video recording please paste a link to this in the box with any passwords.*

(Approx. 300 words / 1:30 minute recording)

13. Are there any notes or further points you'd like to add that could not be included above?

14. Examples of work

Please share some examples of your work to support your application.

This does not need to be recent work if you have had a break from your practice, but it will give us an opportunity to understand your practice better. This can be provided in whatever format is most convenient for you, though please be mindful that the panel has a limited time allocated to each application and will not be able to watch whole films or listen to complete audio recordings if they are longer than 2 minutes.

The online application form has space to attach files and insert links. If you are sending this form, please include up to two links below, with any related passwords, and/or attach up to 6 images or 3 pieces of text as one file to your email, together with this form.

Link 1:

Password:

Link 2:

Password:

If you would like to share artist website or social media please do so:

Marketing Preferences

How did you hear about the SSW x Counterflows Caregivers Residency

SSW email / newsletter	
Counterflows email / newsletter	
Third party email / newsletter	
SSW website	
Counterflows website	
SSW social media	
Counterflows social media	
Word of mouth	
Search engine	
Opportunities listing (e.g. Creative Scotland)	
Other – please tell us in the free text box below.	
Please tell us! :	

SSW will use the information you provide on this form to contact you and provide updates. We will share the details of the successful applicant with Counterflows. We treat your information with respect. For more information about our privacy practices please visit our website:

<http://www.ssw.org.uk/privacy-policy/>

Thank you for completing an application for the SSW x Counterflows Caregivers Residency. Before pasting into the online form or sending this form via email, please make sure to read through your application thoroughly.

If you submit by email we will respond to your application to confirm we have received it.