



The aim of the Malakta Artist in Residency (AiR) programme is to provide a creative space where artists can work, develop, share, interact and experiment.

Malakta is located in the middle of a beautiful and quiet countryside, and is a family friendly location. The residency is suitable for both individual artist and groups. We offer access to a range of studios and work facilities, and a place to meet with other creative people in a small collaborative community. We encourage applications from a wide range of artists of different cultural and geographic backgrounds. We are open for applications for all phases - from initial research to finishing works.

The Malakta Art Factory Artist in Residency (AiR) Programme is now accepting proposals for 1-3 month residencies.

The Malakta AiR offers a two bedroom fully furnished apartment with private kitchen, bathroom and access to extensive facilities in a converted historic building. We also offer single rooms with access to shared kitchen and bathroom facilities. Malakta is based in Malax, twenty minutes drive from Vaasa, Western Finland. Located in serene countryside, Malakta is unique in that it is a thriving centre of creativity in a rural environment. A former dairy, the grounds and traditional wooden buildings hold an art centre, gallery, permanent studio holders, Film and TV production company and in spaces occasional yoga and meditation meetings can be joined.

Malakta's creative program includes the AiR and annual intensive workshops such as Dance Film Lab, Photo Lab and Sound Field Lab and annual arts festival Burning Art.

The residency program includes:

Work Space

24 Hour access to workspace and tools and equipment suitable for painters, illustrators and sculptors

Opportunity for artist talk and/or exhibition in on-site gallery

Performance/Dance rehearsal space with wooden dance flooring upon negotiation

Use of Canon 5d mk3 with lenses and equipment upon negotiation

Use of Red One with prime lenses and equipment upon negotiation

Photographic Darkroom comprising of two colour head enlargers (35mm to 4x5 format) and a Jobo ATL-3 Film Processor (can process Colour Negative and Slide from 35mm to 4x5 format).

Residents are expected to provide their own chemistry and paper

Workshop for working with metal and wood

Foundry with foundry oven, sand and manual tools

Collaboration and Networking opportunities through the extensive Malakta network

Access to natural materials and van for transport

Accommodation and transport

Private apartment with sleeping area, kitchen and bathroom

Access to separate "hospitality" style kitchen facilities if required

24h access to traditional Finnish wood-burning sauna and additional bath and shower rooms

Residents have accessibility to a van (petrol costs the responsibility of the artist)

Bikes, one with child seat and helmet

Airport or train pick-up upon arrival and departure

Welcome dinner

Wi-Fi connection in all spaces

Residency cell phone with Finnish SIM, with number provided to residents before their residency (phone credit the responsibility of the artist)

Washing machine and dryer for laundry

Regular excursions, with the possibility of additional tailored excursions for residents

Family friendly, very tranquil environment. There is a large yard suitable for children, outside grill/fireplace, small wood heated outside sauna.

Application

Artists/professionals are selected on the basis of applications. The selection is made by an appointed panel consisting of 3-6 professionals within the creative industries. At selection, special attention is given to the applicant's professional experience and the proposed work plan at Malakta.

The seasons in west Finland are very clearly defined, Summer is warm and bright with it staying light almost 24 hours, Winter is dark but dry and it is easy and comfortable to work indoors or outdoors all year.

To apply, please submit the following by email. Please send all files in one single email:

1. CV/Resumé (doc, pdf)
2. Project plan / artist statement of approximately 500 words (doc, pdf) outlining how you wish to spend your time at Malakta, including how you intend to address the 2015 theme of Landscape. Please also specify preferred residency duration and dates.
3. 6-10 images of work (max 10mb files in total) or links to online videos

Selected applicants will be notified by email.

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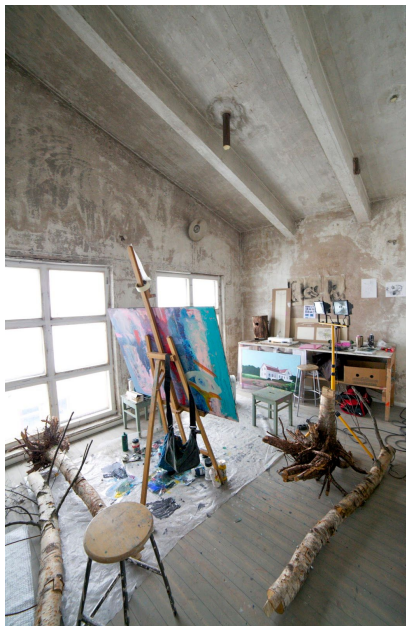
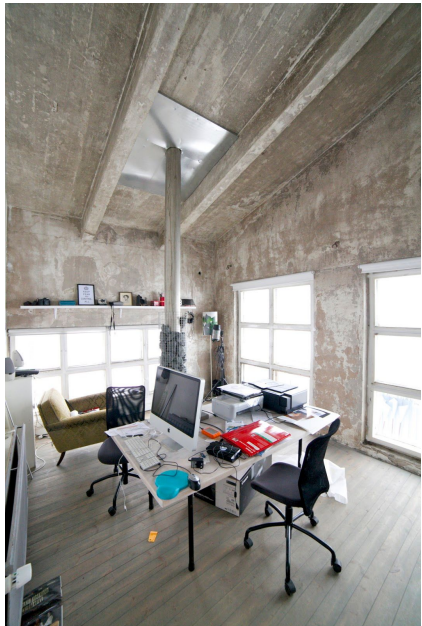
The programme fee is 650€ per month. We also offer a small number of subsidised places, these are awarded to artists that are interested and willing to participate in community and outreach based projects.

Malakta will provide residents with a detailed letter of confirmation to assist with funding opportunities in the artist's home country.

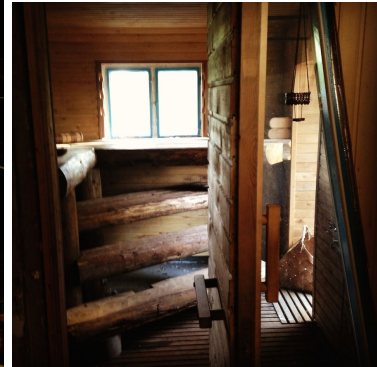




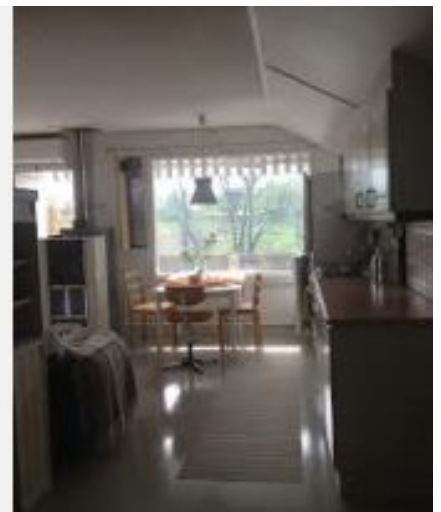
Some outdoor living on a Finnish Summer midnight



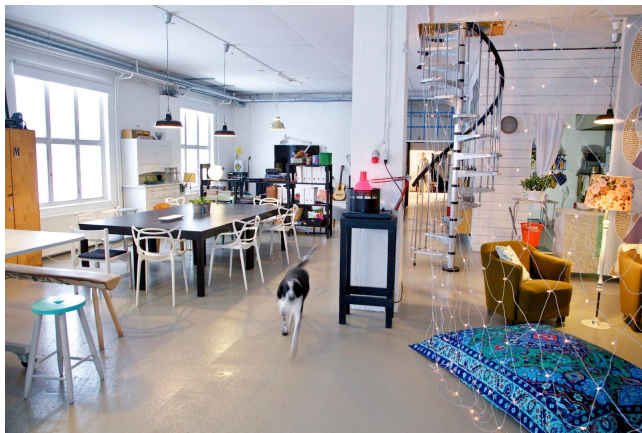
Permanent studioholders



Sauna



Residency rooms



Sylvi says Welcome!