Il giardino segreto (The Secret Garden)

Associazione Culturale Dello Scompiglio Tenuta Dello Scompiglio - Vorno, Capannori (Lucca) Italy

ANNOUNCEMENT: RESIDENTIAL PROJECT

Art. 1

The Associazione Culturale Dello Scompiglio is organising a research residency centred on the idea of the garden which, in its broadest sense, embodies Dello Scompiglio's purpose:

Dello Scompiglio is a garden in which nature, always in motion, develops in dialogue with human beings and with their needs and their longings, both physical and spiritual. A place where one can be nourished by beauty and content, to breathe, play, move, rest and even make mistakes. In this garden, in a continuum, cultivation and culture - by giving and taking, by feeling and acting - constitute a single organism in which each part has no meaning without the others.

Just as for the human being.

The artists-in-residence is intended for artists, performers, poets, authors, writers, curators and musicians who have the interest and feel the urgency to escape from their habits and to create a dialogue between their inner time and that of nature.

In recent years, the impulse of artists to come face to face with nature has been accentuated. In this context, it becomes urgent to highlight the uncertainties that this meeting encompasses, taking advantage of the countless opportunities and potential that are revealed when working in extremely distinctive but constantly changing spaces.

Working in the defined (magical) space of the garden, confronting the other forms of life that inhabit it - plants, animals, wind, water, stone, earth - means, for the artist, to explore and redefine the limits of his/her human being, his/her place in the cosmos.

To facilitate this process, the artists-in-residence is organised through the availability of a prolonged and dilated time that allows the participants to grasp the continuous changes linked to the seasons, to light, to sounds and to the daily variability intrinsic to nature.

The project will take place over a two-year period, and includes two workshops to prepare for the final fifteen-day artists-in-residence, according to the following schedule:

- 3-day workshop from Thursday 19 to Saturday 21 May 2022
- 3-day workshop from Thursday 6 to Saturday 8 October 2022
- Artists-in-residence for 2 weeks from Tuesday 2 to Tuesday 16 May 2023

In the two workshops, the artistic direction will introduce some practices that involve sharing the subjective perception of nature, also in relation to human presence and activity, sounds, movements and objects. These practices during the spring 2023 artists-in-residence will be supplemented and developed by proposals from the participants themselves.



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Equal attention will be paid to work on the land and to the daily practices that the care of the garden and crops require, with essential practical work to be carried out under the guidance of the gardeners and farmers of the estate.

As a poetic background we would like to share the book: *And the garden created man* by Jorn De Precy.

At the end of the artists-in-residence, participants will have the opportunity to present a project, even collectively. The presentation of projects is not a mandatory condition in order to participate.

Projects must be sent by 15 July 2023. The list of selected projects will be published by 31 July 2023 and the production residencies will take place starting from September 2023.

It will be up to the Artistic Direction to decide whether, among the projects received, there are some of particular interest to be produced and presented to the public within the Dello Scompiglio general programming starting from autumn 2023.

The decision of the Artistic Direction is in any case indisputable.

The artists-in-residence is an idea by:

Cecilia Bertoni, artistic director, artist and Feldenkrais® teacher Antonio Caggiano, musician and artistic director of the music programmes Angel Moya Garcia, curator and artistic co-director for the visual arts Michela Giovannelli, administrator and founding member of the Cultural Association And in collaboration with Marco Martella, garden historian.

Art. 2

The artists-in-residence is open to a maximum of 15 participants.

In this context, the Associazione Dello Scompiglio guarantees the residents board and lodging and € 375.00 gross reimbursement of expenses for each of the workshops and € 1,500.00 gross for the artists-in-residence.

The organisation will also play travel expenses up to a maximum of € 150.00 for each round trip. The residents should arrive at Tenuta Dello Scompiglio the day before the start of the workshops.

To participate, please send the following documentation:

Curriculum Vitae

Motivational letter

Portfolio comprising a maximum of 5 projects that are considered representative of your most recent research

Registration form as per the form attached to these regulations, of which it forms an integral part, correctly completed and signed

Interested parties can register by sending the required documentation, signed in original in all parts, via e-mail and in a single pdf file (maximum 6 MB) to the address: elisa@delloscompiglio.org

Applications to participate must be sent to the Associazione Culturale Dello Scompiglio by 12 noon on February 28, 2022, under penalty of exclusion from the open call.

The Artistic Direction of the Dello Scompiglio Cultural Association will decide on the selection of applications on the basis of irrefutably expressed evaluations, notifying all interested parties by publication on its website and by communication via e-mail.



Art. 3 - Limitations and use of materials

Participants must comply with the most rigorous standards of environmental respect and sustainability, adopting the principles, pursued by the Dello Scompiglio Project, of sustainability and environmental protection, of energy saving and undertaking to use and ensure that only certified eco-compatible materials are used.

Art. 4 - Processing personal information

Each candidate, by sending the application form, expressly authorises the Associazione Culturale Dello Scompiglio as well as its legal representative:

- to process personal data transmitted pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 196 of 30 June 2003 on the protection of personal data and the EU Regulation 679/2016 General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") according to the privacy policy published on the website together with the open call.
- to disseminate through websites, social networks and/or printed publications, of images and videos of the events linked to the announcement.

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