RESIDENCY AT ESPAI DE MARGE

Artist residency from September 13 to 28, 2025

Espai de marge is launching an open call for creative, research, and experimental residencies, welcoming individuals or groups working on small-scale projects across any artistic discipline. The residency includes two weeks of accommodation and access to workspaces in a natural and inspiring setting.

ABOUT ESPAI DE MARGE

Located in Font-rubí, at the foot of the Serres Velles (Alt Penedès), Espai de Marge is an 18thcentury farmhouse renovated into an independent artist residency. With 78 hectares of forest and dryland crops, the space offers an ideal environment for concentration, creation, and dialogue between disciplines. The project promotes creative freedom, the use of natural materials, and the connection with the territory.

Espai de marge is a small and independent project, with all that this entails in terms of austerity, but also freedom, agility and permeability.

ELIGIBILITY

The call is open to both individual artists and collectives of up to four people, from any artistic discipline or working with multidisciplinary approaches, developing projects in the early stages of creation.

We will especially value proposals that integrate creative research processes, seek new artistic languages, or explore connections with the rural and natural environment. Projects may focus on experimentation and process without necessarily resulting in a final product or performance.

Proposals must respect Espai de Marge's values: sustainability, connection with the rural and natural environment and spirit of experimentation.

RESIDENCE DURATION AND CALENDAR

The residency will last two weeks and will take place from September 13 to 28, 2025. Selected projects must reside at Espai de Marge for at least 80% of the residency period.

FUNCTIONING AND EVENTS

All selected artists will live together during the two-week residency at Espai de Marge and will work on their own projects.

During the residency, several optional open studio sessions may be organized exclusively for residents. The aim is to share the state of their creative processes and foster attentive and sensitive listening across disciplines.

At the end of the second week, an open house will be held for both external public and other residents. During this event, the artists will present and share their projects with the aim of raising awareness of their creative processes and fostering a space for exchange and reflection with the community.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- To host artistic creation and experimentation.
- To promote dialogue and exchange between artists from different disciplines.
- To give visibility to and value artistic exploration, research, and creative processes unrelated to a marketable final product.
- To encourage interaction between artists and the natural environment during creative and work processes.
- To establish links between artists and the local community through activities open to the public.

CONDITIONS

This call is funded by Espai de Marge, and therefore, the residency is free of charge.

It includes:

- Single, double or triple room.
- Individual workspace for each project.
- Use of the shared kitchen (Espai de Marge will provide dinner on the first day, for the rest of the stay, residents can prepare their own meals)
- Use of common spaces such as the patio, living room, and outdoor natural spaces.
- Option to receive artistic support from the Espai de Marge team.
- Project promotion on social media.
- Opportunity to showcase and discuss your project with an external audience. Espai de Marge will invite various cultural representatives from the area for the occasion.

Espai de Marge will **NOT** cover transportation costs for people, artwork, or materials. We will inform selected individuals about the different options for reaching the space or facilitate contact between residents who can carpool.

ARTIST COMMITMENT

In exchange for the two-week residency grant, the artist agrees to:

- Participate in the open house, sharing their project and process with the public.
- Provide photos of the process and record a short video describing the experience during their residency. This material will become part of Espai de Marge's archive and may be used solely to promote the residency program and the Espai de Marge project.
- Mention the residency at Espai de Marge in all promotional materials for the artistic project, press kits, etc.
- Stay at Espai de Marge and use the work spaces for at least 80% of the residency period.
- Respect the spaces and materials, leaving them as they were found.
- Respect other people, living beings, and the environment.
- Sexist, racist, classist, xenophobic, homophobic, or transphobic attitudes will not be accepted.
- When working, using, or visiting the natural spaces of Espai de Marge, your actions must avoid generating negative impacts on the environment.

In the event of noncompliance with any of these commitments, Espai de Marge reserves the right to refuse admission and claim the value of the residency and any damaged materials.

APPLICATION FORM

The deadline for submitting projects is **June 20, 2025**, at **11:59 p.m**. Applications must be submitted via the following link:

https://www.espaidemarge.com/en/call-for-submissions-2025/

Please attach to the form a single PDF file of a maximum of 10 pages (max. 6MB), including:

- Explanation of the project
- Dossier of previous projects, if any.
- Biography of the applicants

Conciseness will be valued, and applications that exceed these guidelines will not be accepted.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Quality of the proposal
- Suitability of the proposal for the residency and for the facilities at Espai de Marge.
- Trajectory and background of the artist or collective. We seek a balance between emerging and established projects, as well as between local and international proposals.
- Proposals that align with Espai de Marge's values sustainability, connection to the rural and natural environment, and a spirit of experimentation will be positively considered.

RESOLUTION OF THE CALL AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE TERMS

The call for applications will be notified by email to all applicants, whether selected or not, during the second half of July. Participation in this call implies acceptance of the rules and their resolution, as well as the conditions of use of the spaces and any changes that may subsequently occur for reasons unrelated to the Call. Selected applicants explicitly agree to complete the residency according to the terms and conditions and within the requested timeframe.

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