

RESIDENCY PROGRAM AT VILLA SALIN

The Feminist Association Unioni and the Summer House Fund of Ida Salin invite applications from feminist artists and researchers for a short term residency in the coming autumn and spring at Villa Salin, an atmospheric seaside villa in beautiful surroundings not far from Helsinki city centre.

We are now looking for applicants who would like to stay at the Villa for 1-4 weekdays (Monday-Thursday) in autumn 2020 or spring 2021 (October- April). Villa Salin has bedrooms for up to 5 persons. In exchange the visiting residents will give a presentation or arrange an event for Unioni's Open University for Women program. Residency does not include funding of any sort.

Admission requirements

Residencies can be applied by researchers in women's studies, gender studies or queer studies as well as feminist artists and related cultural activists working on feminist issues or on the history of women's movement. Individual applicants are encouraged to join together to form a group for a shared residency period. A residency in Villa Salin can be used e.g. to do research in local archives, to attend a conference or seminar, to arrange a meeting for a research group/artist team, to write a publication or a grant application, or to engage in a cultural project. Villa Salin's rooms are not suitable for artistic work that can damage furniture or interior surfaces.

Conditions and practical information

All residents are obliged to give a lecture or presentation, or arrange a workshop or other event in the same term their residence takes place (autumn/spring) at the Maikki Friberg Home in central Helsinki (Bulevardi 11). For this event, Unioni provides the venue and equipment (including video projector and screen, flipboard and wireless network) and helps in advertising the event but does not cover other expenses.

Residency participants must bring their own linen and towels, and when departing, clean all the rooms to the same condition as on arrival.

Application process

Application time is April 1st-30th 2020. Address your application to 'Villa Salinin kesäkotirahaston hoitokunta' (Summer House Fund of Ida Salin) and mail it to residenssi@naisunioni.fi. Applications must include:

- a short description of the work plan during the residency
- suggested dates for the residency period
- a title and a short description of the lecture/workshop/event planned
- a CV, or for group applications personal information of all the group members and a CV of the contact person

If the members of a group work on individual projects, each person sends a separate application and suggests an event of one's own.

Applicants are notified of selections by May 30th. Dates for residencies and presentations are then coordinated by Unioni's office.

Further information: Feminist Association Unioni's office, +358 (0)9 643 158, residenssi@naisunioni.fi.