



Scotland's creative ageing organisation

Magnetic North^o

SPACE / TIME ARTISTS' RESIDENCY

Paid online retreat for Scottish-based older artists in the early stages of a new artistic career

31st May – 4th June 2021

- **The residency will take place via Zoom**
- **Deadline for applications is midday on Monday 12th April**
- **Successful candidates will be notified by Monday 26th April**

If you would like any of this information in a different format or require further support in making an application, please contact us at recruitment@luminatescotland.org or by phone on 0131 668 8066.

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The residency:

This residency is a partnership between Luminate, Scotland's creative ageing organisation and Magnetic North. It offers an opportunity for six older artists working in any art form to take part in a facilitated process, exploring how creativity can be nourished and how artists can challenge themselves to develop. There will also be time for individual reflection and work. Participating artists will be paid a bursary; at least one place will be awarded to an artist from a minority ethnic background.

The residency combines facilitated dialogue - built around a series of self-generated questions - with time for individual reflection. There are two sessions in an online space during the day:

- a two hour session in the morning (10am-12pm) at the end of which you will be set a short creative task;
- a one hour follow-up later in the day (4.30pm-5.30pm).

There can be some flexibility in the timing of sessions if necessary. The residency will be facilitated by Nicholas Bone (Artistic Director of Magnetic North) and Alice McGrath (Creative Director of Red Bridge Arts).

The aims of the residency are to:

- Give space and time for older, early-career artists to reflect on their own creative practice, while engaging with other artists asking similar questions of their next steps.
- Create a supportive atmosphere for discussion.
- Stimulate dialogue about creative processes.
- Make time for individual reflection and thought.

It is open to artists aged over 50 who have recently embarked on a new artistic career, including those who have trained at a young age and have returned to their practice later in life, those who have worked in the arts in different capacities and are now changing direction, and those who have come new to their art form.

The residency builds on a series of collaborations between Luminate and Magnetic North since 2017, designed to support the development of artists who begin a new artistic career later in their lives.

This Space / Time residency will take place online, at home from Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June. You must be available to attend **both** sessions every day (see above) and you will benefit most from the residency if you are not attempting to combine it with other work.

The partners:

Magnetic North is an award-winning theatre company based in Edinburgh. Founded in 1999 and run by Artistic Director Nicholas Bone and Producer Verity Leigh, Magnetic North combines developing and producing live theatre with innovative multi-artform artist development.

The company collaborates with playwrights, composers, choreographers, visual artists, performers and other artists to create a wide range of work including plays, music-theatre, installations, online events and films. Its comprehensive artist development strand has supported over 200 independent artists to continue developing. See magneticnorth.org.uk for more information.

Luminate, Scotland's creative ageing organisation, offers developmental projects supporting older people's engagement with creative practice in both professional and community contexts. Since 2012, the organisation has developed rapidly to meet our vision that all older people in Scotland should have the opportunity to access high quality arts and creative activities, whatever their background and circumstances and wherever they live. In that time we have held seven festivals, and we now provide an extensive year-round programme working with multiple partners across the country. Since last year

our work has evolved further in response to the pandemic, with new remotely-led programmes being introduced. See <http://www.luminatescotland.org/> for more information.

Bursaries and support:

Each participating artist will receive a bursary of £750. Please note that the bursary is inclusive of VAT if applicable. Each artist is responsible for their own tax and national insurance.

If you have any access needs or will incur additional caring costs, we will discuss these with you if you are successful in your application.

Selection Criteria:

The lab is open to artists working in any art form who are:

- Based in Scotland
- Aged 50 or over
- At an early stage of their career as a professional artist
- Available to attend the full residency

Luminate and Magnetic North welcome applications from all sections of our community. We recognise there are barriers to working in the arts and that these challenges are experienced more acutely by some people. We are committed to increasing the diversity of artists working in our sector and especially welcome applications from those who identify as having characteristics currently under-represented in our sector. This includes people with protected characteristics as defined by the Equality Act 2010 across age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

At least one place will be awarded to an artist from a minority ethnic background.

Selection Process:

Please apply using the online Google form [here](https://forms.gle/tLmitRHBarDqabra6) (https://forms.gle/tLmitRHBarDqabra6) and upload any documents such as your CV to the form. If you don't have a Google account, you can either set up an account to enable you to submit your application in this way, or you can submit by email. To submit by email, please contact us at recruitment@luminatescotland.org to request a Word version of the form; you should then submit all the required documents and the completed Word form to the same address. If the documents are too large to share by email, we suggest that you use We Transfer to send them (<https://wetransfer.com/>).

The form will ask for the following information:

- Your name, email address, where you live and your age
- Whether you are from a minority ethnic background
- An outline of your experience to date (no more than 500 words) and a CV

- Some examples of your work, or links to access them online
- An outline of the following (around 500 words in total):
 - why you want to take part
 - how you anticipate taking part will make a difference to you
 - why now is the right time for you to take part in the residency

We suggest that you prepare the longer answers in a word document, then copy and paste the text into the Google form.

Selection will be based on your responses to these three questions. We are looking to recruit a diverse group of participants in terms of age, artform and location.

The selection panel will include Anne Gallacher of Luminate, Alice McGrath on behalf of Magnetic North and an artist who has previously taken part in a Luminate/Magnetic North Space/Time residency.

Please also complete an Equal Opportunities Monitoring form [here](https://forms.gle/9hFm11ks7bpxnZ8A) (https://forms.gle/9hFm11ks7bpxnZ8A). This information is provided anonymously and will not be seen by the selection panel.

Applications, including all the relevant documents (by email if necessary) must be received by midday on Monday 12th April 2021. You will hear back from us by Monday 26th April.

For further information please contact recruitment@luminatescotland.org or tel 0131 668 8066.

Privacy Notice for Applicants

Luminate and Magnetic North are committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information. As part of the selection process we will collect, store and process the data in your application form in line with data protection regulations. We will only use this data in relation to the residency programme and to communicate with you about your application. If your application is unsuccessful, we will delete your data after 6 months. If your application is successful, it will be stored on Luminate's and Magnetic North's systems, accessible only by our employees

Your application data will be processed and stored by Luminate and Magnetic North and will be shared with the selection panel. Please note that Luminate's IT systems are supported by Age Scotland and that this application is hosted on a Google form.

If you have any questions about this privacy notice, please email recruitment@luminatescotland.org.