

## PROJECT OF ARTISTIC RESIDENCIES “CASA DEL CIRCO CONTEMPORANEO”

Public call for the selection of artistic and creative projects of contemporary circus  
by artists resident in Italy and abroad - Year 2022

### Art. 1 - FOREWORD

The Casa del Circo Contemporaneo, based at the Le Serre Cultural Park in Grugliasco, is part of the national system of Artistic Residencies, launched as a result of the three-year programme agreement signed between the Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities and Tourism and a number of regional territorial bodies - including the Piedmont Region - as part of art. 45 of Ministerial Decree. 1 July 2014 and subsequently of art. 43 of the Ministerial Decree of 27 July 2017, which provides for interventions for projects related to the establishment, promotion and development of the system of artistic residencies, as experiences of renewal of creative processes, mobility, national and international artistic comparison, increase in access and qualification of demand.

The main objective of the Casa del Circo Contemporaneo is to promote and support artistic residency activities in the Region of Piedmont, intended as a place for the diffusion of culture, for the enhancement of the artistic and architectural heritage and as an opportunity for artists and spectators to meet. The project intends to promote this important factor of innovation in the performing arts system.

The companies selected for residencies at the Casa del Circo Contemporaneo will be able, following a second selection, to benefit from a further period of residency in France, Portugal and Croatia thanks to the cross-border network created by the Cirko Vertigo Foundation with its international partners, as well as crossings on the national territory thanks to further bilateral agreements.

The Casa del Circo Contemporaneo project, implemented by Fondazione Cirko Vertigo for the three-year period 2022-2024, will start at our facilities in Grugliasco and Turin.

### Art. 2 - OBJECT and RECIPIENTS

The call foresees the reception in residence of artists and companies of contemporary circus in the period between February 14 and December 31, 2022 at the Casa del Circo Contemporaneo, in one of the four spaces of the Foundation, to be chosen among **1. Teatro Le Serre** and **2. Chapiteau Vertigo**, both located in Via Tiziano Lanza, 31 in Grugliasco, **3. Piccolo Teatro Perempruner** in Piazza Matteotti, 39 in Grugliasco and **4. Teatro Café Müller** in Via Sacchi, 18/d in Turin (<http://www.cirkovertigo.com/residenze>).

Contemporary circus artists and companies whose organisation is legally constituted and has its legal and operative headquarters in Italy or abroad, or informal groups of artists who are willing to be legally structured, can apply for the residencies. The residency, which will have a **minimum duration of 8 days**, can be scheduled indicatively from February 2022 and in any case no later than 31 December 2022.

### Art. 3 - ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The call is open to newly created projects: projects not yet completed or in progress which, on the date of subscription, have not yet made their debut. Shows already performed in their final form on the date of subscription are not eligible. Each participant may submit only one creative project.

Projects may be submitted by:

- a) a legally constituted professional production body with operational headquarters in Italy or abroad and with VAT number, in possession of valid A1 documents for foreign artists (agibilità INPS for Italian artists) and author right and royalties (SIAE permits for Italy), in order with tax and social security contributions.
- b) informal groups with operational headquarters in Italy or abroad, which have been working for at least two years with professional purposes in the circus field (documented with video material and/or press review), with particular reference to the new generations, under 35 and emerging authors.

### Article 4 - AWARD CRITERIA

The following will be considered as award criteria

- a) being artists under 35;

- b) present an original and innovative work path on dramaturgy/circus writing;
- c) present projects that foresee the productive and/or promotional involvement of national and international subjects with particular reference to the crossing of other national or international residencies;
- (e) submit projects involving actions of community involvement (open rehearsals, meetings, workshops, pre- and post-show debates and other actions involving audience interaction, in presence or at a distance);
- f) be a graduate of a school belonging to the FEDEC or prove that they have received professional training in circus arts.

#### Art. 5 - PROJECT MODALITIES AND OBLIGATIONS

The organisation commits itself to guarantee to artists and companies:

- a) a rehearsal space, to be chosen among the four spaces listed in art. 2 of this call for proposals, equipped with appropriate technical equipment and instruments, compatibly with the usual equipment available; the plans and technical sheets of the spaces are available for download on the residency project page of the website [www.cirkovertigo.com](http://www.cirkovertigo.com);
- b) technical staff available for setting up and dismantling according to the technical data sheet;
- c) possibility to have meals at a reduced rate in an agreed restaurant near the venue for the days of the residency;
- d) accommodation for a maximum of 5 artists per group (with residence or domicile at a distance of more than 60 km from Grugliasco). The type of room will be defined on the basis of the availability of the hosting structure.
- e) lump-sum expense reimbursement of an amount that varies according to the number of artists in residence and in any case defined following the approval of the regional project on the basis of the grant awarded;
- f) tutoring by international professionals with proven experience in circus and/or drama, or other possible requests for technical coaches to be agreed upon with Casa del Circo Contemporaneo (sound and light designers, etc.);
- g) open rehearsals and opportunities for discussion with critics and experts of the territory;

Artists and companies undertake to:

- a) sign the contract before the beginning of the residency, providing all the necessary data;
- b) publicly present a study at the end of the residency;
- c) assume, at their own expense, travel costs and anything else not expressly indicated in this call for proposals;
- d) agree on any training and/or promotion of contemporary languages on the territory (places, methods and duration to be agreed during the residency);
- e) respect the timetables agreed upon with the Casa del Circo Contemporaneo staff and subscribe to its Regulations in case of selection;
- f) provide photographic/video material and information on the creative process for the section dedicated to the residency project on the website [www.cirkovertigo.com](http://www.cirkovertigo.com);
- g) the selected artists and companies shall indicate, in the promotional materials related to their project, produced from the date of publication of the results, the following indication: "creation realized with the support of Casa del Circo Contemporaneo within the project "Artisti nei territori" of Regione Piemonte, in implementation of Article 43 "Residencies" of Ministerial Decree no. 332 of 27 July 2017 and of the Agreement signed on 21 September 2017 between the Government, the Regions and the Autonomous Provinces of Trento and Bolzano" accompanied by the logo of Fondazione Cirko Vertigo."

#### Art. 6 - PROJECT SUBMISSION METHODS AND DEADLINES

**In order to participate in the selections it is necessary to send the following documents by 23/01/2022 by e-mail to [residenze@cirkovertigo.com](mailto:residenze@cirkovertigo.com):**

1. Completed application form;
2. Project file containing:
  - a. complete artistic dossier of the project
  - b. technical data sheet;
  - c. curriculum vitae (max 2 pages) of the artistic leader (director, choreographer, playwright...)
  - d. CV of the performers and company (max 2 pages);

e. 3-4 high-definition photos representative of the company and a promo video link of the work in progress that will be realized during the residency or of the last work realized (material from the repertoire).

The subject of the message must include the reference to this call for proposals as follows:

name artist/company - ARTISTIC RESIDENCES CASA DEL CIRCO CONTEMPORANEO - 2022

On the basis of the materials received, a special Commission chaired by the Head of the Casa del Circo Contemporaneo project, Paolo Stratta, and composed of 3 additional members, will select a maximum of 8 projects. **Notification of the selection will be made exclusively via email by 14/02/2022.** The decision of the Commission is final.

Partially completed applications or applications sent after the indicated deadline will not be accepted. The organisation accepts no responsibility for any anomalies in the on-line transmission of documents. The organisation reserves the right to request any supplementary material.

#### Art. 7 - LIQUIDATION MODALITIES

The amounts foreseen by the present call will be paid at the same time as the Cirko Vertigo Foundation collects the advance payment of the public contribution, by bank transfer with accounting methods in accordance with the administrative nature of the artist/company (see art. 3 letters a and b).

#### Art. 8 - GENERAL RULES AND TREATMENT OF PERSONAL DATA

The sending of the application form implies the acceptance of the present call in all its parts. The sending of the requested documentation is considered as a release for the use of the materials sent in the ways that the organisers consider appropriate for promotional purposes. The Commission's decision regarding the selection, application and interpretation of this call for entries is final. Participants authorise the organisation, in accordance with articles 13-14 of the GDPR 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation), to process their personal data, including electronically, and to use the information sent for all uses related to the project for publicity purposes.

#### INFO AND CONTACTS

For information write to: [residenze@cirkovertigo.com](mailto:residenze@cirkovertigo.com)

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