

Arches Studios Artist Pool

The **Arches** studios are located in central Southampton and are the base for some of the city's most innovative artists and creative industries. The studios are one of three project platforms brought to you by the arts organisation **a space**. Alongside the studios the organisation is also responsible for the **Bargate Monument Gallery** and the annual **ArtVaults** project.

We operate an artists pool system which allows for studio spaces to be filled as they become available; with the most suitable artist being selected for the space rather than who is highest on the list.

You can submit an application to the pool all year round; from these applicants an independent panel invites selected artists to join the pool. When a space becomes available the studio administrator will contact artists in the pool whose requirements for a studio match the available space.

To apply to join the pool please apply in writing to organisation and include:

- A current CV inclusive of your contact details and full address, including your postcode, plus any relevant training or qualifications you have received.
- A completed application form (see below).
- Four examples of your recent work. Do not send slides or actual examples of your work. A disk with jpeg images or hard copy photographs are preferred.

N.B. If you wish to have your images returned please enclose a SAE.

Send your application either by email to info@spacearts.org.uk or post to the arts organisation **a space**, **Bargate Monument Gallery**, High Street, Southampton, SO14 1HF.

Your application will then go forward to the selection panel and if successful you will be put into the artists pool. If you are unsuccessful we will contact you explaining why.

Arches Studios Application Form

(the form will expand as you type into it)

Detail your intentions for the residency. What is it you will set out to accomplish over the next twelve months? (200 words max)

How will the residency progress your creative career? This is very important, as the project's sole aim is to give creative individuals the chance to develop a career within the arts. (200 words max)

Any extra information that you feel will support your application. (100 words max)

The **Arches** are ideally utilised by artists who live in the S.O. postcode area. If you live outside this area please tell us why a studio in Southampton will benefit your artistic practice and how often you realistically intend to use the studio. (100 words max)

Please include this form along with your current CV, a covering letter and four images of your most recent work.