



Call for Applications Regional Professional Artists

Overview

As part of its Promoting Shared Values, Shared Spaces and Dispute Resolution in Sri Lanka, The Asia Foundation (the Foundation) is calling for applications from regional professional artists based in Ampara, Kalutara, Kurunegala, Mannar, Trincomalee and Vavuniya to transform life stories collected from elders, into art. The purpose of this is to connect the younger generation with elders who will share key life lessons.

Candidates applying for the role of regional professional artist will be shortlisted by a panel that includes members of the Theertha International Artists' Collective. The role of the selected regional professional artists will be to mentor amateur artists engaged in this process through regular workshops and creative guidance. Before their engagement with young people, selected artists will be invited to a teaching-residential workshop where they will be trained by the Theertha Artists' Collective on mentoring skills and storytelling through the arts. Professional artists will also have to take part in the project's regional exhibitions by developing original pieces of art based on the life stories of elders provided by the Foundation.

Who can apply?

- Male and female artists professionally engaged in the fields of Visual Art, Performing Art and New Media
- Aged above 18
- Applicant should reside in one of the following districts: Ampara, Kalutara, Kurunegala, Mannar, Trincomalee, or Vavuniya
- Ideally, have a publication history and be involved in the creative community within their districts and/or showcased their work in local or international exhibitions.
- Be willing to provide mentorship to young amateur artists for the development of their creative work towards the exhibitions.

Terms and Conditions:

When submitting their application, interested candidates should agree to the following terms and conditions:

01. Selected artists are required to sign a statement of commitment to confirm their participation in all workshops and exhibitions conducted as part of this project.
02. Selected artists are required to develop original pieces of art based on the life stories of elders provided by The Asia Foundation.
03. The Asia Foundation takes no responsibility for the infringement of copyrighted material.
04. Artwork developed for the project shall not be exhibited anywhere else prior to the regional exhibitions organized by The Asia Foundation.
05. An artist may submit up to five pieces of art. However, exhibition of all submitted pieces of art would depend on the availability of space at the exhibition venue.
06. By participating in the workshops and exhibitions conducted under this project, artists grant permission for The Asia Foundation to use chosen artwork and images of chosen artwork for display and promotional purposes on the Foundation's publication materials including, but not limited to, websites, social media platforms and reports. This will be done with due recognition and credit to the artists.
07. In keeping with The Asia Foundation's Child Protection Policy, for any photographs/videos featuring children under the age of 18, the artist must have the written consent from the parents/guardian of the child.

Professional artists interested in applying for this project are requested to fill in the annexed application form and send it by October 30, 2020 via email to ourstories2020lka@gmail.com or via post to:

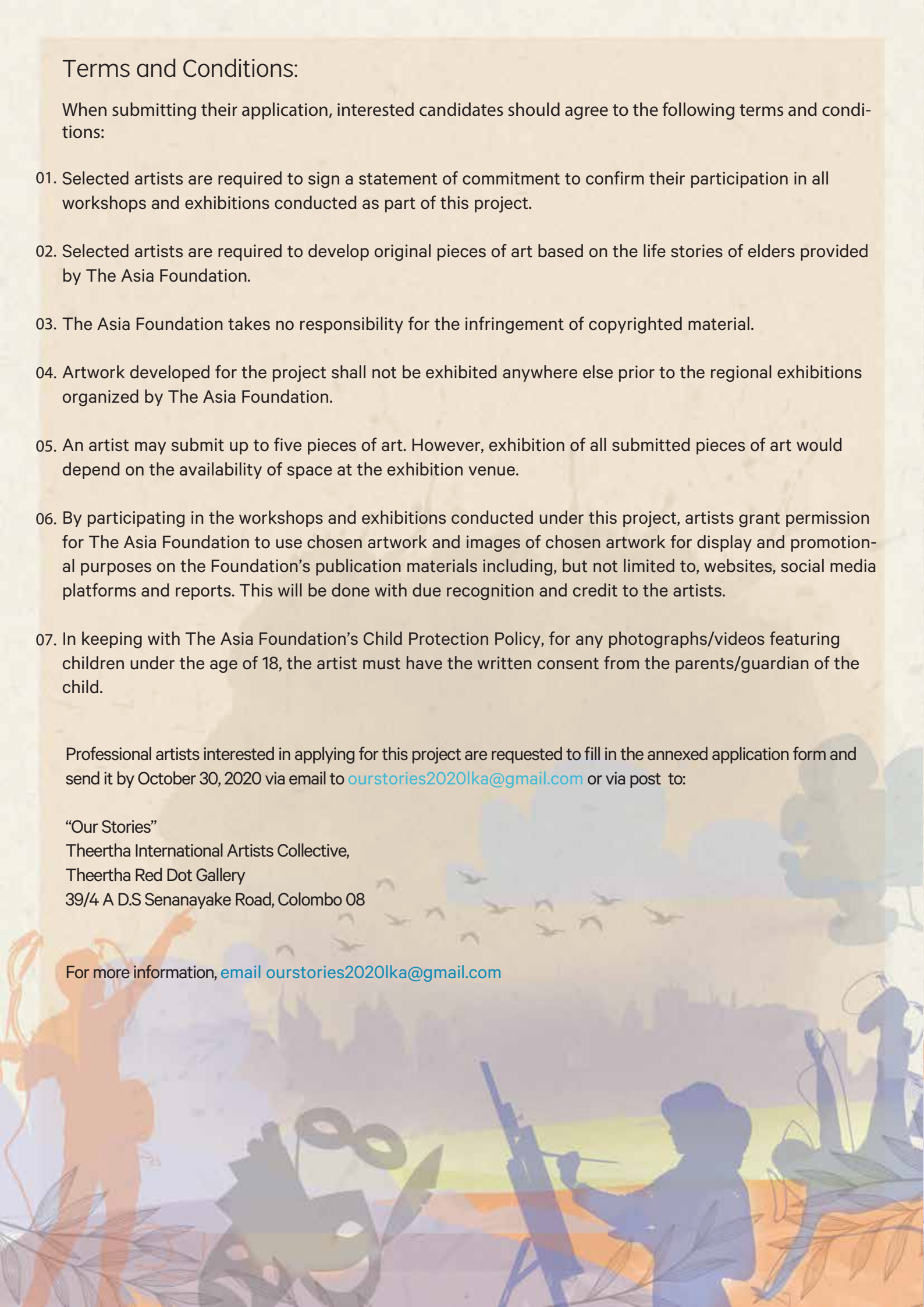
"Our Stories"

Theertha International Artists Collective,

Theertha Red Dot Gallery

39/4 A D.S Senanayake Road, Colombo 08

For more information, [email ourstories2020lka@gmail.com](mailto:ourstories2020lka@gmail.com)

The background features a stylized illustration. On the left, a silhouette of a person stands with arms raised. In the center, a silhouette of a person is seated at an easel, painting. On the right, another silhouette of a person is shown. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with a cityscape silhouette and birds flying in the sky.

Personal Details

First name: _____

Last name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

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Spoken Language(s)

Sinhala Tamil English

Other language(s): _____

Profession: _____

Contact Details

Email Address: _____

Telephone Numbers: _____

Postal Address: _____

District: _____

Place of Current Residency (if different to postal address):



Professional Experience

Briefly describe your art practice and background (please include details of social media networks or websites on which you promote your artwork).

Provide details of arts exhibitions or arts programs you have taken part in, if any.

Please tell us why you are interested in applying for this workshop and exhibition

If you would like to share additional information with us, please use the space below for this purpose.

Please include up to five samples of your work (if available).

I acknowledge that I have read and agreed to the terms and conditions pertaining to my application and participation in this project