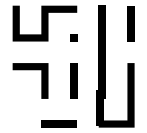


# FORUM FELLOWS 2019-2020 APPLICATION FORM



A Workshop for Artists as Writers, with curator & writer Tirdad Zolghadr

Since 2009, the Forum Fellows Workshop (FF) has aimed to support the writing practices and critical skills of artists, curators and art writers throughout the MENASA region. By means of collective discussion and group critique, the FF 2019-20 will once again address issues of hands-on writing techniques, but also conceptual concerns of a more sweeping nature. How to make the best of the shifting relationship between image and language? What is the role of artist writing within the overall moral economy of Contemporary Art?

Participants meet for two sessions, scheduled over two consecutive iterations of Art Dubai, March 2019 & 2020. Although artists may be prioritized, curators are strongly encouraged to apply. The 2019 sessions will take place in Dubai from **March 19 - March 23, 2019**. The admissions jury consists of Uzma Z Rizvi, Amal Al Ali and Tirdad Zolghadr.

From the outset, FF has repeatedly reinvented itself, building on previous experience. The following are developments newly introduced with this year's session.

- Thematically, more emphasis will be placed on continuity between iterations of this residency over the years. To begin with, the coming FF will build on collective writing penned by participants of 2017-18: Shuruq Harb, Panos Abrahamian, Haig Aivazian, Bahar Noorizadeh, Aarti Sunder.
- The 2019-20 iteration allows for a longer stay on site. Participants will be spending not three but five days in Dubai, for each of the two sessions (thus a total of ten days). The workshops will take place on four of the five days in question.
- Flights, accommodation and visa (if needed) are covered.
- The per diem amounts to 990 AED.
- Participants are asked to share a writerly concern that can be addressed over the full 12-month time span. This can be an actual text which is to be developed over that year. Or a specific writerly preoccupation that is persistent and central to the participant's practice overall.

By 11:59PM on December 5, please send the following materials, in English to [amal@artdubai.ae](mailto:amal@artdubai.ae)

1. a paragraph explaining your interest in this workshop (200 words max)
2. a writing sample - or samples - of up to 800 words in total
3. your CV and contact details

Please be sure to be available for a brief Skype interview between 11 and 14 December 2018. The selection of candidates will be confirmed by December 16, 2018.