



COFFI FESTIVAL BERLIN

INTERDISCIPLINARY ITALIAN ART

OPEN CALL: PERFORMING ARTS

DEADLINE: 30 JUNE 2017

COFFI Festival Berlin is the first interdisciplinary German/Italian Art Festival in Berlin since 2014. It is a platform for Italian and International artists living in Berlin who want to share their works and perspectives. Through a multidisciplinary approach that brings together a diverse range of art forms: visual and **performing arts**, music and cinema, the Festival aims to set up a creative exchange.

COFFI Festival Berlin is looking for **performing artists** living in Berlin or in Italy for its 3rd edition which will take place in Berlin on the **1-2-3 September @ ZK/U** - Zentrum für Kunst und Urbanistik.*

The Theme of this year edition will be “**Contamination**”.

CONTAMINATION AND PERFORMING ARTS

We believe that performing arts should be free from artistic and academic categories, they should overcome physical, stylistic, intellectual and social boundaries and search for a fertile contamination between different expressive languages.

We are interested in eclectic performances which show a clear contamination between various performative languages.

Besides the contamination among artistic languages, *COFFI Festival Berlin* is willing to research how contemporary artists “contaminate themselves” with the society and their forces; how their art is shaped by cultural and social dynamics, why it is urgent for the artist to be contaminated with/by those elements and how the artist is influenced, inspired, repressed, pushed, scared or fascinated by contemporary society and its forces.

COFFI Festival Berlin will select performances showing a genuine contamination between diverse artistic disciplines and/or a real contamination between artist and society.

WE ACCEPT:

- physical theater – dance theater pieces
- dance pieces
- spoken text pieces
- performance art
- duration performances (with a simple technical set)

Please note:

We are looking for both long (25 - 45 min) and short (5 - 10 min) performances.

Short performances selected will be presented in non-theatrical contexts - possibly outdoor; they must therefore have very simple technical requirements. The precise location of the short performances will be discussed individually with the artist.

* Location: www.zku-berlin.org/space/



APPLICATION

The Open Call is addressed to performing artists/groups whose projects are in line with this year's theme. Participation is **free**.

Each candidate or group can participate submitting a project to **performing-arts@coffi-festival.de** in a PDF of max. 10 MB, including:

- Artist/Group Personal Details and Contacts
- Concept/Description of the Project (max. 2 pages)
- Fotos and Video → link to the full length performance or an extract (no trailer) In case of a new work please send the links to videos of rehearsals and of previous works. (Videos → with external link i.e. Vimeo, YouTube, etc.)
- Short biography (max. 1 page) and link of your website (optional)

Applications should be submitted in English or Italian. Incomplete or late applications will be not considered.

SELECTION

Selection Duration: **May 30th - June 30th 2017**

July 10th: selected artists will be informed via e-mail and a list with the names will be published on our website.

ARTISTS' BENEFITS

- For artists from Italy: accommodation on the 1-2 September 2017 + artist fee to be defined*
- For artists based in Berlin: artist fee to be defined*
- Free admission to all Festival events
- Event promotion

Please note: Travel costs will be carried by the participants

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* The Festival is organized by the non-profit association **Fandujo Komunumo e.V.** and patrocinate by the **Italian Cultural Institute** in Berlin.

