**SHARJAH ART FOUNDATION / PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH**

**FOCAL POINT PUBLISHING GRANT 2019**

APPLICATION FORM

**Sharjah Art Foundation (SAF) invites artists, writers, collectives and independent publishing houses, producing broadly within the mandate of art publications and printed matter, to apply for the first cycle of FOCAL POINT Publishing Grant.**

The award, which is aimed towards both emerging and established individuals and publishing initiatives, will provide full or partial (initiating, completing or launching) support towards book and print projects, as well as look to aid independent set-ups that demonstrate a long-term plan for publishing books and other printed matter.

A total of $30,000 will be awarded amongst two or more grantees. Applicants will be assessed on originality and conceptual framework. The artistic approach, format and content for the project are open.

Applicants should complete this application form and submit it by **1 June 2019**. Submissions after the deadline will not be accepted.

# **Grantee Benefits**

Grant Awardees are expected to attend FOCAL POINT 2019 (November 14-16, 2019) and will receive the following:

* Roundtrip airfare (economy) from Home Country to Sharjah
* Hotel accommodation with breakfast (13-16 November 2019)
* Daily shuttle transport from hotel to fair site and back

**Application guidelines**

* Please read all parts carefully and fill in the application form with complete and accurate information. Incomplete applications will be rejected.
* If a question does not apply to you, write ‘n/a’.
* The deadline for receiving the application is **1 June 2019**.
* SAF will acknowledge receipt of each submitted proposal.
* Applicants will be informed by **1 July 2019** if their application has been successful. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted by SAF.

Please complete this form and email to **publications@sharjahart.org** along with a copy of your CV (if applicable). Evaluation will be based on the information provided.

**Contact**

If you have any questions, please contact [publications@sharjahart.org](mailto:publications@sharjahart.org)

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**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

\*If the application is not being submitted for an individual, the person whose name appears on this form must be of the representative of the project/collective/organization submitting the application.

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| **Name of applicant** (as shown in passport**)** |  |
| **Birthdate** (DD / MM / YYYY) |  |
| **Birthplace** (City / Country) |  |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Mailing address** |  |
| **Telephone** (country code + number) |  |
| **Email** |  |

**WORK INFORMATION**

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| **Name of Writer / Artist / Collective / Organisation / Publishing House** |  |
| **Website** |  |

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| **Bio** (300 words maximum) |
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| **Brief statement about your approach to publishing and previous experience with producing books, zines and other printed matter** (200 words max) |
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**PROJECT INFORMATION**

By approaching a broad definition of ‘Project’, funding can be requested for partial or full support for, **but not limited to**, the following:

* Artist Book
* Academic Book
* Experimental Book
* Monograph
* Zine
* Journal

As well as:

* Operation costs for publishing houses
* Funds for acquiring equipment for small publishing practice studios
* Printing costs for completed, unpublished material
* Reprinting out-of-print research material

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| **Please indicate level of support being sought** | |
| **Full Support** | **Partial Support** |

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| **Working title for publishing project** (if applicable) |  |
| **Working Language/s** |  |

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| **Project description** (200 words maximum) |
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| **What will the Publishing Grant be used to cover? Present broad breakdown of stages** (150 words maximum) |
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| **Projected production schedule and timeline** (150 words maximum) |
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| **Projected budget for complete project** (in USD) |  |
| **Funding requested** (in USD) |  |
| **Expected completion date** (DD / MM / YYYY) |  |

**PREVIOUS WORK**

To support your application, you may attach a pdf of your portfolio with your application or include URL links to works/projects online

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| **URL/s** |  |

**PROJECT SUPPORT**

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| **LOGISTICS** | |
| **Will the project happen with the support of another organisation?** | YES / NO |
| **If yes, which one?** (name, location) |  |
| **What is the support provided?**  *This support can include provision of workspace, technical facilities, in-kind materials and services, etc.* |  |
| **FUNDING** | |
| **Are you seeking funding from another party?** | YES / NO |
| **If yes, from whom?** (name, location) |  |
| **What is the amount requested?** (in USD) |  |
| **If this amount is to cover certain areas of your project, please briefly specify what these would be.** |  |
| **What is the status of that application?**  *Please include an official letter of intent/agreement (to be provided by the party offering the funding)* | Not yet submitted / Awaiting response / Confirmed |

**IMPORTANT:** If you are granted a FOCAL POINT Publishing Grant, failure to inform Sharjah Art Foundation about pending and confirmed alternate funding sources at the time of application submission may result in the rejection of your application. The FOCAL POINT Publishing Grant is a relationship between the grantee and Sharjah Art Foundation. As such, the foundation has the right to withdraw funding if other sources of funding compromise our institutional values, goals and mission.

By submitting this application, I attest that I am the owner of all content. If selected as a grantee, I have the authority to grant SAF permission to use materials submitted for internal and promotional use. I understand that I will be required to provide additional information about the project, and meet the deadlines established by SAF and mutually agreed upon.

I give my permission for any material submitted to or produced during FOCAL POINT 2019, including text, images and video, to be used by SAF at its discretion for dissemination that may include website publication and print publications.

**Note: By giving your permission, you do not give up any copyright or authorship rights that you hold.**

Signature: Date: