

MARCH MEETING 2018
17 – 19 MARCH 2018
DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: 10 JANUARY 2018



SHARJAH ART FOUNDATION

SHARJAH ART FOUNDATION (SAF) ANNOUNCES THE OPEN CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL MARCH MEETING, TAKING PLACE FROM 17–19 MARCH 2018.

March Meeting 2018 (MM 2018) explores issues of resistance through consideration of organising as a primary act of and condition for artistic and cultural production. Over three days, MM 2018 provides the opportunity to collectively examine practices in art, writing, film, music and architecture that extend engagement with present and past knowledges of resistance. In addition, MM 2018 seeks to examine the relationship between recognisable forms, such as projects, exhibitions, conferences and the surrounding informality from which these events emerge. How do questions of organising enable us to conceptualise resistance as not only 'standing in opposition to' but also one of practice and future planning? How might such thinking help us reassess art's relationship to notions of authorship, agency, power and the public? MM 2018 will include artist talks, lecture performances, panel discussions and workshops on cultural and artistic production, institution building, architecture, infrastructure, music and literature.

MM 2018 open call welcomes proposals from artists, writers, curators and art practitioners that resonate with this year's theme. Applicants are invited to propose a presentation in performance, lecture performance, talk or other form that reflects on or responds to the MM 2018 concept. Selected open call applicants will be invited to carry out their proposal during MM 2018, and are expected to attend all sessions of MM 2018.

Sharjah Art Foundation will cover roundtrip travel and accommodation expenses in Sharjah for the duration of MM 2018. A modest per diem will also be provided.

To apply, please download and complete an application form. Applicants should be sure to outline a proposed presentation format and discuss their presentation's concerns, as they relate to MM 2018. A work sample relevant to the proposal is also required. A total of six applications will be selected.

All materials must be sent to marchmeeting@sharjahart.org by 10 January 2018.

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PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

Participants are asked to sign a SAF Participant Agreement and agree to provide the following information and materials by the respective deadlines:

- 150-word biography to be used by SAF for the MM 2018 programme, SAF website and promotion (MS Word format)
- Portrait (JPEG)
- Proposal title and 40–50 word synopsis for use by SAF for the MM 2018 programme, SAF website and promotion – please note: this MUST give an accurate description of the proposed session (MS Word format)
- Final text and presentation files (including text and Power Point if part of presentation)

PARTICIPANT BENEFITS

All selected participants will receive the following benefits:

- Hotel accommodation (16–20 March 2018)
- Return airfare
- A modest per diem for meals and transportation to MM 2018 and related SAF events
- Invitations to all SAF exhibitions and events during MM 2018

PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

Presentations must meet the following requirements:

- Address the themes that the March Meeting
- Be presented in either English or Arabic (live-translation for both languages will be available during sessions)
- Adhere to a strict time limit of 10 minutes
- Must approach MM 2018 as a platform for the discussion of ideas and should not solicit any services, products, programme, seminar, institution, practice, association or company
- Be represented by one person when representing a collective or institutional project

SAF has the right to refuse and/or suggest changes to content. March Meeting does not censor contrarian content; the policy only refers to content deemed to be self-promotional and/or inappropriate for the audience given cultural sensitivity.

CONTACT

If you have any questions, please contact marchmeeting@sharjahart.org

Thank you for your interest in participating in the MM 2018. We look forward to reviewing your application and will acknowledge receipt of each submitted proposal. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted by SAF.

MARCH MEETING 2018 SPEAKER APPLICATION FORM

If you are interested in participating at the annual March Meeting, please complete this form and email to marchmeeting@sharjahart.org by **January 10, 2018** along with a copy of your CV. Our evaluation will be based on the information provided. If you have online information regarding your speaking credentials or topic descriptions, please insert the URL in the "Session Description" field.

SPEAKER CONTACT DETAILS		
First Name:		
Last Name:		
Professional Designations:		
Title:		
Organisation (if applicable):		
Address 1:		
Address 2:		
City:	Country:	Zip Code:
Telephone:	Fax:	
Email:		

PROPOSAL / SESSION DETAILS		
Language:	English	Arabic
What key areas will participants be able to understand following your presentation?	1.	
	2.	
	3.	

PROPOSED TOPIC TITLE	SESSION DESCRIPTION

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BIOGRAPHY

Please enter a brief biographical description of your qualifications and speaking experience in 300 words or less.

By submitting this abstract, I attest that I am the owner of all content and have the authority to grant SAF permission to include my presentation paper, the title of which is noted above, and any other materials distributed or displayed at my presentation together in a compilation of conference proceedings and handouts. I understand that if my proposal is accepted, I am required to submit handouts, biographical information, and other required information by the deadlines SAF establishes.

I give my permission for any material submitted to or produced during March Meeting 2018, 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: _____