

CALL FOR TENDER: TWO DANCE RESEARCHES NRW 2021 ABROAD

Since 2009, the "Tanzrecherche NRW" (Dance Research NRW) of the NRW KULTURsekretariat (NRWKS), an association of 21 cities in North Rhine-Westphalia, has been offering dancers and choreographers the opportunity to spend several weeks researching topics related to their own productions.

"Tanzrecherche NRW" aims to bring international impulses to NRW and to promote exchange with the NRW scene at each residency. Since 2019, it has also been offering resident dance artists in NRW the opportunity to conduct research abroad, thereby enriching their work.

Two scholarships are currently being offered to dance artists who live and work in one of these 21 NRW cities and would like to conduct research abroad in 2021.

The "Tanzrecherche NRW" is not production-oriented, but rather supports the development of artistic working bases and is therefore not a project grant.

WHO CAN APPLY?

NRW dance artists can submit an application to conduct research abroad for specific localities or on specific occasions. The topic and location of the research can be chosen freely.

In addition to a description of the research project, the application should also name mentors, contact persons and local contact points for research abroad. **Due to the current situation, digital research formats can also be included.**

WHAT WE OFFER:

For each research project, up to 6,000 euros are available for scholarship, accommodation, travel expenses and materials. Travel expenses are only reimbursable in accordance with the NRW State Travel Expenses Act (2nd class rail, economy class flight, etc.)

The NRWKS provides assistance for research abroad within the scope of its possibilities.

"Tanzrecherche NRW" also aims at sustainable cooperation. For this reason, the NRWKS supports performances in its member cities which may result from the research project at a later date.

DURATION OF THE RESEARCH AND NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS:

For dance artists from NRW who wish to do research abroad, the duration depends on the project. **"Dance Research NRW" supports one or two artists per research abroad.**

RESEARCH PERIOD, FINAL PRESENTATION AND DIGITAL DOCUMENTATION:

Applicants can freely determine the period of the "Dance Research NRW" between January and December 2021.

The results will be presented at a public event and/or through digital documentation (video material, PDF, photos, etc.) on the NRWKS website.

WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR FUNDING?

The "Dance Research" aims to promote experimental working methods. Dance artists should work free of the pressure of having to deliver a production. "Dance Research NRW" is therefore explicitly not aimed at artists who want to implement a largely finished concept in a production residency.

There is no age limit for the artists.

PROCEDURE

A [form](#) is available for the application. The Planning and details can be agreed in advance with the project coordinator Christian Watty: watty@nrw-kultur.de

Deadline for applications: 20 November 2020

MEMBERS OF THE JURY 2021:

Heike Lehmke, nrw landesbuero tanz, Köln
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JURY SESSION: End of November/Beginning of December 2020 (The decision will be announced immediately after the jury meeting.)