

Cove Park, Scotland

<https://covepark.org/>

Duration: 8 weeks

Availabilities: 24 October – 18 December 2022

Founded in 1999, Cove Park is a residency centre located on a 50-acre rural site overlooking Loch Long in Argyll, on the west coast of Scotland. Cove Park is now moving beyond the boundaries of the traditional 'time, space, freedom' residency, to include an enquiry-based model to encourage cross-disciplinary work and collective intelligence around pressing global concerns. This model is founded upon the belief that the transformative power of the arts is amplified through collaboration and exchange with other disciplines and sectors – such as those of academic and scientific research, technological innovation, and the creative industries as a whole. Cove Park hosts 12 to 20 residents at the same time.

1/ FOCUS

Coinciding with the COP26 conference in November 2021, Cove Park launched its first enquiry on the environmental crisis. During 2022, all the residents will have the opportunity to take part in and actively contribute to this ongoing research. Cove Park welcomes applications from those who urgently require the time, support, and facilities Cove Park can offer to develop their own work. A presentation or participation in a public event is not a requirement, but we are keen to support those who wish to work within and contribute to a community of artists, creative practitioners, and researchers, and to benefit from the experience of working alongside individuals and collaborators from a wide range of backgrounds and specialisms.

2/ PROGRAMME RESOURCES

The residency offers:

- Artist fees of £2100 per month.
- Furnished private accommodation, suitable for those attending with children (please note Cove Park's residencies are self-catering and each unit is equipped with its own kitchen).
- Private studio (please note that Cove Park has a limited supply of basic tools and equipment, and residents should bring any specialised equipment or materials that they require).
- Access to communal work, meeting space, a library, and the 50-acre rural site.
- Every resident can meet and work alongside individuals and collaborative groups from a wide range of backgrounds and career stages. Informal peer-to-peer events are organized to encourage discussion, the exchange of ideas and experiences, and the development of new connections.
- During the residency, Cove Park will organise studio visits and one-to-one meetings for each participant with established artists and professionals working in their specialisms.
- The artist will be mentored by members of Cove Park's team, Francesca Bertolotti-Bailey, CEO, and Alexia Holt, Senior Director of Programmes, who will offer advice, make connections with other relevant organisations, artists, and professionals, including former residents, and programme advisors.

- To facilitate exchange, discussion, and collaboration, Cove Park organises opportunities for residents to meet throughout the course of their residencies, and to participate in informal events, dinners, talks, studio visits and screenings.
- Round trip UK / France and local transports will be covered
- Access to a car.