

Friday, November 14, 2025

Choreographic Exchange: DUETS

Company: Moulin/Belle

Location: Nouvelle-Aquitaine

Compensation: N/A, but fellowships and work exchange available

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Moulin/Belle is an in-process art residency in Mareuil en Perigord, population around 900, located in southwest France. Moulin/Belle is an approximately 200-year-old renovated house and converted mill, with a vegetable garden and multiple green spaces. Here artists are provided space to slow down and reconnect with themselves, their creativity, nature and the local community. Over 200 artists, collaborators and families have stayed with us since we opened in 2021, including artists from USA, France, Canada, Mexico, Japan, Belgium, Israel, England, Germany, Turkey, Ireland and more.

IG: @moulinbelleperigord

FB page: Moulin/Belle

FB group: Moulin/Belle Community

All applicants will receive a response within one week of submitting their application (if you have not received a response within one week please check your Spam or Junk Folder, or contact us at lemoulinbelabelle@gmail.com). Selected applicants will move on to the interview phase.

CHOREOGRAPHIC EXCHANGE: CONTEMPORARY DUETS (Deadline November 30)

Two weeks: March 2-15, Aug 23-Sept 5, September 13-26, October 4-17, or October 25 - November 7, 2026

A structured residency where participants choreograph a duet and perform in two duets. Geared at emerging choreographers/professional level dancers. Participants take daily morning class and then participate in 2-3 rehearsals a day (1 as choreographer, 1-2 as dancer). 7 home cooked French community dinners provided, and organized events such as visiting Brantome (tourist village), guided hike, ceramic studio, wine tasting, etc. Informal performance at the end of the residency. Time every day for decompression, relaxing, connecting with nature, etc. ?

Other programs:

SELF LED IN PROCESS (SLIP) RESIDENCY (From 3 days to 4 weeks?) March 2026- November 2026

A self-led residency with no product requirements. Best suited for individuals or groups that want to dive deeper into their creative work.?

EMPOWERING CREATION: FEMALE BALLET CHOREOGRAPHERS' WORKSHOP

One week: May 10-17, 2026

A structured residency led by Marika Brussel and Mari Meade. Geared at emerging choreographers/professional level dancers. Participants lead some rehearsals as choreographer, and participate in some as dancer. Daily class, rehearsals, workshops centered around leadership in ballet, and one on one feedback. Four home cooked French community dinners provided including a welcome meal, and organized events such as visiting Brantome (tourist village), ceramic studio, wine tasting, etc. Time every day for decompression, relaxing, connecting with nature, etc. ?

HOW IT WORKS:

YOU GET:

- A private or shared room
- Technique classes, choreography and leadership workshops (structured residencies only)
- Reasonable use of the space and its gifts (vegetables, herbs, etc.,)
- Use of the kitchen, common areas and amenities (washer, Wi-Fi, etc.)
- Dedicated dance studio space (Generally around 2 - 4 hours/day)
- Work space
- A new community

YOU GIVE:

- Program Fee (fee includes 150 non-refundable security deposit, please also add 100 euro refundable key deposit)
- One time 38 euro cleaning fee
- Agree to house rules, leaving no trace, and respecting the space, the other people living in the house with you, the earth and the local community
- Purchase travel insurance (optional, recommended)

PROGRAM FEES:

Subsidized fee:

SLIP Residency: (artists chose length of time, discounts for over 2 weeks available)

38€/night per person shared large room, 2 people max
 48€/night solo medium room
 63€/night large private room
 35€/night private off grid cabin
 15€/night for additional people including children
 +38€ cleaning fee

CHOREOGRAPHIC EXCHANGE: DUETS

2 weeks, seven dinners, daily guided class and rehearsal, activities
 835€ Off-grid Cabin (August session only)
 895€ Shared Large Room,
 1015€ Solo Medium Room
 1395€ Solo Large Room

EMPOWERING CREATION: FEMALE BALLET CHOREOGRAPHERS' WORKSHOP

1 week, four dinners, daily guided class and rehearsal, activities
 595€ Shared Large Room (Two people)
 695€ Solo Medium Room

OTHER OPTIONS:

Visiting local Chateaux, Wine tastings, Thursday Zumba (5 euros), Visiting the Ceramic Studio, Hiking the forest trails, Yoga (9 euros)

Add-ons: Pickup from train station (40€), booking all travel (150€), visit to Castle with a spa, dedicated grocery trip

TRAVELING HERE:

Details provided upon acceptance. From Paris there is a 2.5 hour train to Angouleme, and then an easy 40 minute bus to our town, Mareuil en Perigord. We are also accessible from the Bordeaux airport.

DURING YOUR RESIDENCY

There is a weekly green market, grocery, pharmacy, butcher, bakery, wine cave and more, all within walking distance. There is a pizza restaurant, one french restaurant, one local pub, as well as food trucks on Monday and Wednesday.

We all live on the same property so we hope to give each other both time for connection and time for reflection. We expect contributions to maintaining the common areas as a daily practice. Currently we will host 2-10 participants at a time. We speak English and French. We have a border collie, and 2 cats, but pets are not allowed indoors due to allergies. We have two small children. We are a family residency, and open to all types of people and genres of artists.

VALUES

Creativity

We believe creativity enriches our lives--it helps us cope, live with ambiguity, notice patterns, make connections, take risks and persevere. We believe creativity is vital to health, and that often a creative outlet can provide healing, even if done casually.

Sustainability

We believe sustainability means sustenance, nourishment, time, energy, community and financial stability. We are committed to creating a sustainable ecosystem on many levels.

Simplicity

We believe simplicity allows us to create space to return to earth, to ourselves, to our breath, to our priorities, to our work.

Accessibility

We believe in offering an open and accessible space with multiple pathways for international and local creatives, including those within marginalized communities, to arrive, engage and thrive.

OUR HOPE:

We sincerely hope this work exchange is an opportunity to connect and learn, but also to discover southwest France, and to relax. We welcome feedback in the moment and after to make this the best experience for you and future participants. We hope you have time and space to put your feet in the river, visit the local castle, go to the market, and exhale.

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