

Friday, February 21, 2025

Choreographic Exchange: DUETS

Company: Moulin/Belle
Location: Nouvelle-Aquitaine
Compensation: N/A

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CHOREOGRAPHIC EXCHANGE at Moulin/Belle in Southwest France

PRIORITY for applications received by March 1, 2025

(Aug 25- Sept 6th, 2025, NEW DATES Sept 14-27 2025 and Oct 12-25, 2025)

5-6 participants selected through application and interview. Application: <https://forms.gle/afdxjVqGDqjgirV8>

Come to countryside France to focus disconnect from the grind and rec-connect with your creativity, yourself, nature and a new community. Over two weeks, participants choreograph one duet and perform in two. This residency is based around daily class, rehearsal, feedback and collaboration. It is designed for professional level dancers who are starting to develop their choreographic voice. Participants take daily morning class and then participate in 2-3 rehearsals (1 as choreographer, 1-2 as dancer). Weekday home cooked french community dinners provided, and organized events such as visiting Brantome (tourist village), guided hike, ceramic studio, wine tasting, etc. Informal performance for local community at the end of the residency. Time everyday for decompression, relaxing, connecting with nature, etc.

Sample schedule:

Yoga 9:30-10:30

Rehearsal 1 (as choreographer): 11-1

Rehearsal 2 (as dancer): 1-3

Time to decompress/hike 3-7

Community dinner 7pm

Moulin/Belle is an in-process art residency founded in 2020 in Mareuil en Perigord in southwest France. Moulin/Belle provides space for artists to slow down and reconnect with themselves, nature and their creativity. Moulin/Belle is located in the town of Mareuil, en Perigord, population about 900 people. IG: @moulinbelleperigord FB page: Moulin/Belle FB group: Moulin/Belle Community

APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN FOR 2025 and 2026 (March-November).

All applicants will receive a response, selected applicants will move on to the interview phase. PLEASE CHECK YOUR SPAM FOLDER if you have not received a response within one week, or contact us at lemoulinlabelle@gmail.com

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.

ABOUT MOULIN/BELLE

Moulin/Belle is an old mill, about 200 years old, and some spaces are "completed" and some need to be completely renovated. A day might look like gardening in the morning, lunch with fellow artists, a few hours in the dance studio, and a hike in the evening. We hope you build community with the other artists here and the local artists, too. We welcome feedback in the moment and after to make this the best experience for you and future participants.

We will all be living in 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, cats, chickens, and but animals are not allowed in bedrooms due to allergies. We are a family residency, and open to all types of people and genres of artists.

Other programming options:

SELF LED IN PROCESS (SLIP) RESIDENCY (3 days-4 weeks March 2025-November 2025): A self-led residency with no production requirements.

CREATIVE EXCHANGE (March 29-April 7, 2025 and October 28 -November 6, 2025): Geared towards artists interested in collaboration and learning. Open to all types of artists. French welcome meal, daily "exchanges" (programed time with other artists), opening "Brave Space" workshop, work exchange, option to participate in yoga, hikes, additional classes and field trips

Rates:

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

35€/night shared large room, 2 people max ; 45€/night solo medium room; 60€/night large private room, 30€/night private off grid cabin; 10€/night for additional people including children

CREATIVE EXCHANGE: 9 nights, welcome meal, daily guided exchange, guided hike, etc

395€ off-grid cabin, 440€ Shared Large Room, 525€ Solo Medium Room, 665€ Solo Large Room

CHOREOGRAPHIC EXCHANGE: 12 nights, weekday dinners, daily guided class and rehearsal, guided hike

635€ Off-grid Cabin, 695€ Shared Large Room, 815€ Solo Medium Room, 995€ Solo Large Room

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