

2016 Open Call – Art Spin Berlin

For project submissions and venue interest

In preparation for our 2016 tour, **Art Spin Berlin is looking for project submissions from artists* working in all artistic disciplines** (visual arts, installation, new media, sculpture, film & video, performance art, dance, theatre, music, etc.).

We are also looking for interested spaces and locations in Moabit/Wedding to collaborate with us by either hosting one of our selected projects, or proposing one of their own. Spaces should have a capacity for approx. 350 people.

Successful submissions will be selected for the annual Toronto inspired curated bike tour of public artworks, performances, and site-specific installations at unique locations in Moabit/Wedding.

When?

The tour will take place on Friday, August 5th 2016, starting at 6:30 pm (18:30) and last roughly 3 hours. Artists should also be available Saturday, August 6th for take down.

What is Art Spin Berlin?

Art Spin Berlin is inspired by Art Spin Toronto, a multi-disciplinary bike tour that produces new creative content at a range of unconventional locations for viewing art. The aim of the tour is to bridge the gap between the art world and the general public and to create an accessible, inviting and fun event that is also educational and critically engaging.

Art Spin Berlin follows this mandate and applies it to the city of Berlin where both bikes and art are plentiful. Our first two tours in 2014 and 2015 took place in Berlin-Lichtenberg and Treptow/Köpenick, respectively, and were each attended by 350+ cyclists.

Art Spin Berlin 2016

This year's tour will take place in the area of Wedding and Moabit. We will give priority to submissions that meet any of the following criteria:

- directly connected to or inspired by the Wedding/Moabit area
- confront Berlin's current political/social situation in an critically engaging, thoughtful way
- deal with issues of mobility, sustainability, cycling, and the urban environment of Berlin
- can be viewed/experienced by large groups

* Artists based outside of Berlin are welcome to apply, but should keep this in mind Art Spin Berlin does not have a budget for travel/accommodation.

Site-specific works are encouraged, but may need to be altered in collaboration with the artist depending on our tour route and requirements from city authorities.

Submissions for performances and other time-based projects should last no longer than 15 minutes.

Artists should keep in mind the large number of participants on Art Spin tours. Projects that are easily viewed/experienced by larger groups are more successful, as are interactive projects.

For inspiration, we recommend you read our [2015 recap](#) and our [2014](#) & [2015](#) videos.

Budget

Art Spin Berlin is an independent not-for-profit, volunteer run project. We are committed to transparency and honesty when it comes to money.

The founder of Art Spin Berlin is an artist herself, and is makes it a high priority to fighting the 'artists work for free' mentality. However, this can only be done through funding efforts and donations from participants on the day of the event, which are at this time not confirmed.

We will pay for the material/logistical costs of each project, but an artist fee will depend on your project budget and the results of our current funding efforts. These details will be discussed openly with successful submissions.

Submission Guidelines

- project description (500 words max)
- up to 10 images (attached files) of proposed project and/or past work
- or, for time-based projects, please include video or sound support material (as a vimeo or YouTube link in your project description)
- an up-to-date CV
- budget plan

All text and image files should be attached, not embedded in your e-mail.

Important: Please title your submission **Art Spin Berlin Submission 2016** and submit proposals by e-mail to projects@artspin.berlin by **Friday May 13th, 2016**.

We're looking forward to your submission!

For questions please contact Vanessa Brazeau: vanessa@artspin.berlin

- The Art Spin Berlin Team