

Larnaka 2030 - European Capital of Culture- Candidate City
Call for the appointment of an Artistic Director

The Organisation for the European Capital of Culture- Larnaka 2030 (under incorporation) aims to develop and establish the programming strategy of the Larnaka 2030 bid (pre-selection and final) while taking into account the European Commission's criteria emphasising European co-operation, interdisciplinarity (i.e. collaborations between different cultural forms), citizen's involvement and inclusion as well as the sustainability of the candidature and its projects with attention to the effectiveness of its delivery schemes.

The Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Larnaka 2030 (under incorporation) is seeking to recruit a qualified applicant for the position of **Artistic Director** for the Larnaka 2030 candidature, with broad experience in the field of project management, the arts and international networking capacities. Applicants are expected to have a physical presence in Larnaka.

Job description

The Artistic Director will work with the Larnaka2030 Executive Director and the Technical-Scientific Committee to:

- strengthen and enrich the cultural programming strategy, which encompasses the 2022-2033 period, including issues concerning co-production, education, research, training, the organisation of residencies and questions of practical implementation and delivery;
- develop detailed projects, based on European cultural co-operation and/or co-production
 - a. by ensuring the artistic and intellectual distinctiveness of all projects, and their correspondence with the thematic pillars and concepts to be co-developed;
 - b. by involving actively the Larnaka city and region creative communities in order to tap and enhance their potential, skills, international contacts and ideas;
 - c. by defining and developing initiatives for the promotion and development of the cultural sector of the city and of the region through training and co-production, and other exchange and delivery opportunities through European networks;
 - d. by enhancing the European dimension of Larnaka's candidature, in order to position and integrate Larnaka2030 bid into national and above all European and international collaborative networks;
 - e. by promoting the involvement and participation of diverse audiences in the Larnaka2030 bid book.
- help prepare bids for funding (aimed at sources including relevant local and regional authorities, Foundations and European programmes);
- produce briefing papers and research notes as required, to help flesh out the rationales and intellectual/artistic contents of the chosen projects;
- attend meetings as required and engage in regular communication with Larnaka2030 colleagues.

Qualifications and Experience

- Deep understanding of the approach, concept and objectives of the European Capital of Culture candidature
- At least 5 years' proven experience of working on international cultural collaboration projects in creative sectors, according to a participatory and interdisciplinary approach. Experience in artistically leading successful European Capital of Culture bid(s) will be considered an asset
- Demonstrable network of national and international relationships (with a particular emphasis on Europe) in different creative sectors, and experience in programming

cultural exchanges, in order to enhance the European dimension of the Larnaka2030 bid and to position and integrate the Larnaka city/region creative scene into national and international collaborative networks.

- Demonstrated outstanding track record of experience in working in various fields of contemporary artistic practices, ranging from production, to research, education, and dissemination
- Proven capacity and experience to promote the involvement and participation of diverse audiences
- Ability to provide artistic and intellectual leadership and inspiration, with proven knowledge of, and participation, in contemporary artistic and cultural movements at international level, with particular reference to Europe and the Mediterranean
- Proven experience in project management that is sustainable from both an economic and social point of view, and experience of working with EU institutions, local authorities, other public sector organizations, foundations and other cultural funding bodies
- Ability to work creatively in teams
- Outstanding communication skills, including very good writing and oral presentation skills
- Excellent knowledge of English is essential. Knowledge of Greek would be desirable. Knowledge of other European languages would be considered as an advantage
- Knowledge of digital tools (including collaborative web platforms and social media) and ability to get the most out of them (for mediation or dynamisation purposes) would be an advantage.
- Up to date and broad knowledge and appreciation of the European Capital of Culture sector
- Sound knowledge of marketing(including digital) and audience development & engagement
- Knowledge of the workings of local, regional, national and European arts/wider cultural sectors, their structure and ecology, and the challenges and opportunities likely to be presented over the coming years

Terms of Appointment:

Contract Duration: Fixed Term contract until January 2024 with the possibility of an extension, depending on the outcome of the Larnaka 2030 proposal submission.

An attractive remuneration package will be offered to the successful candidate, depending on qualifications and experience. The role requires extended working hours including occasional evening and weekend work (public events, presentations and workshops, media publicity interviews)

How to apply:

Interested candidates are requested to provide the following by email to info@larnaka2030.com (Position Reference Artistic Director-Larnaka 2030), no later than **9/9/2022**:

- A detailed curriculum vitae
- A letter of motivation addressing the ways in which the candidate's experience matches the above job description and required qualifications (3 A4 pages maximum)
- Contact details of at least two referees that can provide reference letters

Only applications that fulfil the above criteria will be considered. All applications will be treated in strict confidence. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.