Open Call for Participants: American Arts Incubator — Colombia

Museo de Arte Moderno de Barranquilla, in collaboration with ZERO1, U.S. Embassy Bogotá, and the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, is pleased to announce the open call for participants in American Arts Incubator — Colombia.

American Arts Incubator (AAI) is a creative exchange program that utilizes community-driven digital and new media art projects to instigate dialogue, build communities, bolster local economies, and further social innovation. Each incubator addresses a relevant social or environmental challenge such as economic equity, youth empowerment, gender equality, and environmental sustainability.

AAI — Colombia consists of a series of art and technology workshops taught by visiting American artist Wendy Levy focused on addressing migration, the development of collaborative team project prototypes, and an open house to share participant creations with the public. Participation in the incubator is free of charge. Participant teams will receive small grant funding to develop their collaborative project prototypes. The program will be held at MAMB from April 17 until May 10.

Wendy Levy’s creative work takes place at the intersection of storytelling, innovation and social justice. As the Executive Director of The Alliance for Media Arts + Culture, she is focused on facilitating collaboration, innovation, strategic growth and social impact for the media arts field, and is the founder and director of Arts2Work, the first National Apprenticeship Program in Media Arts and Creative Technologies.

We are looking for participants with:

- An interest in technology, new media, and/or digital art; experience in the arts is a plus
- Lived experience or family history as (im)migrants and/or an interest in exploring migration
- A desire to learn from new perspectives and new tools
- A willingness to work and create in a collaborative environment
- Age 18+ (participants under 18 can apply but must be partnered with adults on projects)
- Youth, women, LGBTQ+, and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply

Laboratorio en las Fronteras
Centering artist voice in the urgent issues of the region, Wendy Levy will lead the incubator using the power of imagination and personal storytelling to build relationships between artists and the broader community — leveraging image-making and technology to amplify narratives that can be an engine for change.

- **Artist Talk: April 17**
- **Workshops: April 19, 20, 25, 26**
- **Project development and installation: April 27 - May 7**
  - After the workshops, participants will be divided into teams and provided small grants to develop project prototypes. Wendy will lead teams through the process of developing a proposal, prototyping, and preparing to share their work with the public.
- **Open house and panel review: May 8 - 9**
  - Teams will share their prototypes with the public in an open house, and present their creations to a panel who will provide feedback to support their future sustainability. The open house will be held at MAMB.

To apply, please fill in the [online application form](#).

Submissions will be accepted until March 11, 2020.

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