

VIR Viafarini-in-residence

VIR Viafarini-in-residence, located in the historic organization's premises, in via Carlo Farini 35 in Milan, is available as a shared studio for artists, curators and professionals of the cultural and creative sector. VIR is a co-working space registered in the register of the municipality of Milan since 2013.

VIR is a place open to dialog between visual arts and other forms of expression and creative incubation, aiming at giving space to the artistic productions of the hosted artists and facilitating skills' exchange and professional growth. At regular intervals the doors of the shared studio, which can always be visited by appointment, are opened to the public in occasion of the Open Studio, for the presentation of the works produced during the stay.

The working place consists of two rooms connected to a wider space, for a total of over 240 square mt, where artists work side by side for variable periods.

If the guests are also looking for accomodation, in addition with the use of the working space, Viafarini can offer accomodation in apartments, available by request (an additional fee will be applied). The rooms are located in the same building, in completely independent two-room flats of 40 square meters, including a kitchen room and a study room with an elevated bed area (look at Hospitality section).

The guests of the studio are selected through open calls, by invitation of curators, as well as through application form submitted directly by artist and curators themselves. VIR reserves the opportunity to invite hosted artists and curators to attend meetings, talks, debates and lectures.

Thanks to exchange agreements with international organizations VIR Viafarini-in-residence launches open calls in order to let Italian artists and curators spend a period of residency abroad. Currently, exchange agreements are arranged with: FUTURA Project (Prague), HIAP (Helsinki), PROGR (Bern), Residency Unlimited (New York City), SOMA (Mexico City).

TIMELINE

The co-working space is available for variable periods, from a minimum of one month, according to personal needs and the kind of work. in case of self-candidacy, VIR reserves the right to present a counterproposal regarding alternative dates.

ELIGIBILITY

There are no restrictions of nationality or age. Due to space limitations, applications from groups or collectives will not be accepted.

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

For the use of the shared working space, a contribution covering organizational expenditures is required. It covers: _use of the shared working space; _wi-fi internet connection;

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- _lighting, heating, garbage disposal, maintenance;
 - _technical assistance in ordinary management;
 - _professional facilitation in researches at DOCVA;
 - _professional assistance in making appointments with art professionals;
 - _technical help related to the final Open Atelier event;
 - _general communication;

Viafarini adapts the form of the contribution according to the different cases. The contribution could be in the form of cash or donation of a work which would enrich the collection that Viafarini curates for the institutional sponsor Gemmo Spa.

If necessary, VIR can provide selected guests with an invitation letter in order to help them in applying for specific funding opportunities.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

In case of self-candidacy, each applicant must fill in and submit the application form, together with the following list of documents as attachments to g.verago@viafarini.org under "VIR Application" in the subject line, or by mail to Viafarini, via Procaccini 4, 20154:

- _ for artists, and professional of the cultural and creative sector: portfolio of selected works, curriculum, project to be developed in the studio (.pdf format)
- _for critics and curators: curriculum and research project (.pdf format)

WARNING

Residents are responsible for their own full coverage health insurance while in residency at our facilities. VIR is not responsible for any kind of medical expense the residents may incur in during their stay. VIR reserves the right to resolve any unforeseeable situations that may arise during the length of the resident's stay in the manner it deems fit in order to ensure optimum performance of the program and/or space. Only small, well trained pet is allowed at the residency.

HOSPITALITY

By request, for periods to be agreed, VIR provides completely independent apartments, including a kitchen room and a study room with an elevated bed area. Every apartment can host maximum two/three people. For availability and prices please contact Viafarini.

The submitted material will become part of the Viafarini Portfolio Archive and will therefore not be returned if not on demand and on the applicant's expenses.

For further information:

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The living room

VIR The Red Apartment



The kitchen



The dining area



The studio space



View of gallery and apartments