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FORUM FOR
YOUNG CULTURAL
INNOVATORS

OPEN CALL FOR APPLICANTS FROM MEMPHIS

Cultural Innovation, Leadership and Collaboration: A Global Platform

October 22 - 27, 2019 | Salzburg, Austria



Salzburg Global Seminar invites young cultural innovators based in Memphis to apply for the 6th annual session of the Young Cultural Innovators Forum, generously supported by the Kresge Foundation.

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is an independent non-profit organization that challenges current and future leaders to shape a better world.

Participants in the YCI Forum will become members of the Salzburg Global Seminar Fellowship network, which since our inception in 1947, includes more than 37,000 participants from over 170 countries.

APPLY NOW

Deadline for applications **June 13, 2019 11:59 PM PST.**

Selected participants will receive a full scholarship to participate in the YCI program, including the session fee, room and board, and travel costs.

For questions concerning the application please contact Bernadette Prasser: bprasser@salzburgglobal.org

For more information please visit: yci.SalzburgGlobal.org SalzburgGlobal.org/go/627

ABOUT THE YOUNG CULTURAL INNOVATORS FORUM

The Young Cultural Innovators (YCI) Forum is a ten-year program designed to nurture the current generation of young cultural innovators through capacity building, mentoring, and global networking. The network is multi-disciplinary and encompasses creative disciplines ranging from the visual and performing arts, literature, and cultural heritage, to foods, fashion, architecture, and design.

The YCI Forum aims to empower the creative sector as a catalyst of economic, social and urban transformation around the globe by linking individuals and communities connected to the program with one another through programs in Salzburg, follow-up events, interhub exchanges, cross-border projects, and other activities.

THE PROGRAM IN SALZBURG

The YCI Forum offers an opportunity for three participants from Memphis to be part of an intensive program taking place at Schloss Leopoldskron in Salzburg, Austria, from October 22 to 27, 2019. Combining theory and practice, with keynote presentations focusing on "big picture" issues facing the cultural sector and with skills-building sessions on entrepreneurial thinking; human-centered design processes; strategic planning and organizational development; and leadership and values. Selected participants will receive a full scholarship to participate in the YCI program, including the session fee, room and board, and travel costs.

THE YCI HUB APPROACH

With the annual program in Salzburg as its cornerstone, the YCI Forum is structured around a network of YCI Hubs in cities and regions around the world. Each year, up to five YCIs from many of these hubs are selected to join the program in Salzburg. After the Salzburg program, participants continue working together at the local level in their YCI Hub, while also remaining in touch with wider global YCI network worldwide.

CRITERIA FOR APPLICANTS TO THE YCI FORUM

To qualify, all applicants must:

- Be 25-35 years of age.
- Be proficient in English, the working language of the Forum.
- · Work in Memphis, Tennessee.
- Have at least 2–3 years of professional experience in the arts and culture sector.
- Want to become an active member of the Memphis YCI Hub and global network, and be prepared to commit time, energy, and resources to sustaining these.
- Aim to create social change and strengthen the position of the arts and cultural institutions within your community.
- Demonstrate creativity in approach to work, openness to innovation and risk-taking, action-orientation, and entrepreneurial inclination.
- Have a cross-sectoral approach to work and demonstrate an interest in building cross-sectoral alliances/partnerships beyond the cultural sector.
- Exhibit passion, enthusiasm, and leadership potential with prizes, awards, recommendations, citations confirming this.

DEADLINE

The deadline for applications is **September 9, 2019.**

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must submit the following information online using the registration form at my.salzburgglobal.org.

A personal statement (approx. 500 words) detailing:

- Your motivation for applying to the Young Cultural Innovators Forum;
- A description of the biggest issue facing you in your work;
- What you will contribute to the local and global YCI network;
- How your participation will have an impact on your local community.

A brief bio (sample on application form).

A headshot photo of yourself.

A CV/Resume including name and email address of 2 references.

For questions concerning the application please contact Bernadette Prasser (bprasser@salzburgglobal.org). Please include only the information outlined above. All applications should be directed to Salzburg Global Seminar.

SELECTION PROCESS

Candidates will be selected by Salzburg Global Seminar taking into account reccomendations from members of the Memphis YCI Hub. Selection will take into consideration cultural diversity as well as a range of artistic disciplines.



Yasmine Omari Photographer, Arts Administrator, Community Organizer, Curator YCI Fellow 2017

"I have been in search of a world city that has intellectuals, artists and those trying to make the world better through their work, I have come to find that unlike the past there isn't just one place for all these people they are spread out throughout the world and it really takes seminars like this to bring them together."



Ian Nunley Program Officer, Hyde Family Foundation YCI Fellow 2017

"Beyond that the skills and personal relationships, my biggest takeaway from the YCI experience is hope. Our differences as YCIs were dwarfed by our similarities across borders and cultures. And it was in those similarities that we all opened up with one another, collaborating through art, design, and community development."



Rachel Knox Program Officer, Hyde Family Foundation YCI Fellow 2016

"The experience, although overwhelming in the sheer amount of information, reminded me of my value as a person and sharpened my skills as a leader. I learned new techniques to focus on my weaknesses, and identified areas where I can improve."



Lauren Kennedy Executive Director, Urban Art Commission YCI Fellow 2016

"What strikes me the most is how my time in Salzburg simultaneously expanded and contracted the world around me. The diversity of people in the group highlighted both immense cultural differences and shared struggles to realize change and innovation."