

TKI open 18_humor

Laugh in the face of adversity. They say. Being able to make fun of things that are serious, really. Negatives mostly – political grievances, social ills, human weaknesses, bad luck and failures. Presenting them in a heightened way and, ideally, also getting a good chuckle from others. Because laughter is the best medicine, they say. „Just take it with a bit of humour!“ we say, when we are faced with disappointments, defeats and faux pas – not just private ones. But with all the seriousness of life: What is there left to laugh about?

TKI open 18_humor invites you to engage with the meaning, function and potential of what is funny: What effect can humour have and how does it work? Who may make fun of whom? Is it possible to criticise humour at all without coming across as humourless? How much humour is acceptable? The call for entries encourages you to take up new perspectives. Let off steam. Experiment, irritate, caricature, satirise. To enter cultural projects that exaggerate with irony and satire into the absurd and the ridiculous. Search for what is clownesque. Tickle and carry something to the extreme. Reveal social evils with wit, humour and parody. Get going across disciplines with humour as criticism. Point out alternatives. Make fun. And at the same time, with a wink, laugh about yourself. Even if there is nothing to laugh about.

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Formal criteria

- Explicit engagement with the theme of the call
- Realisation of the project within the year 2018
- Sensitive handling of gender issues and societal mechanisms of exclusion, both in the project concept and in the selection of artists, speakers or trainers
- Reference to Tyrol, regional or local embeddedness of the projects

Entry materials

The project proposal in German, on paper and in 6 copies, should be sent to the TKI office and per email to office@tki.at and must include:

- Detailed description of the project (5 pages max.)
- Short description of the project (1,000 characters max.)
- Realistic calculation of the costs, plus funding plan, naming the desired amount of funding from TKI open
- Schedule for the realisation of the project
- Details on the proposers (contact, short introduction)

Who may (not) enter

Proposals are welcome from charitable cultural initiatives, collectives, as well as artists and individuals in cooperation with a cultural initiative. Public bodies, party-political or religious organisations and commercial cultural event organisers and businesses may not enter.

Ongoing or completed projects or projects already funded by TKI open (repeat projects) cannot be included. Projects already funded by the cultural department of the federal administration of Tyrol are not entitled to additional funding from TKI open. Only one project per proposer may be selected.

Funding

TKI open 18 has a total of 68,500 euros of funding available from the federal administration of Tyrol. The selected projects may be fully funded by TKI open.

Jury

A jury of experts from the region and beyond will select the most convincing projects in a public jury meeting and will recommend these for funding to the federal administration of Tyrol.

Dates

- Deadline for proposals is **12.10.2017** (postal stamp).
- The public jury meeting is on **11.11.2017**.

Support for proposers

- Potential entrants may benefit from an information and consultation event offered by the TKI on **22.9.2017**, 5 p.m. at the Bäckerei-Kulturbackstube in Innsbruck.
- In autumn 2017, from 6 - 7.10.2017, a two-day workshop *Trainingslager zu Förderungen in Kunst- und Kultur* (training camp on funding for art & culture) will be held, offering support in drafting a professional proposal. Detailed information and registration for all events on www.tki.at

Legal framework

Submitting a project proposal does not give rise to legal claims, the entered materials shall become the property of the TKI. The decision of the jury is final. Funding of the selected projects will be handled by the cultural department of the federal administration of Tyrol. Please note the funding guidelines for TKI open of the federal administration of Tyrol and the regulations on *Eigenhonorare* (self-remuneration) (www.tki.at).

If you have questions about any aspect of your entry (budget plan, self-remuneration, etc.), please contact us, we are happy to advise you!

Contact and Information

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