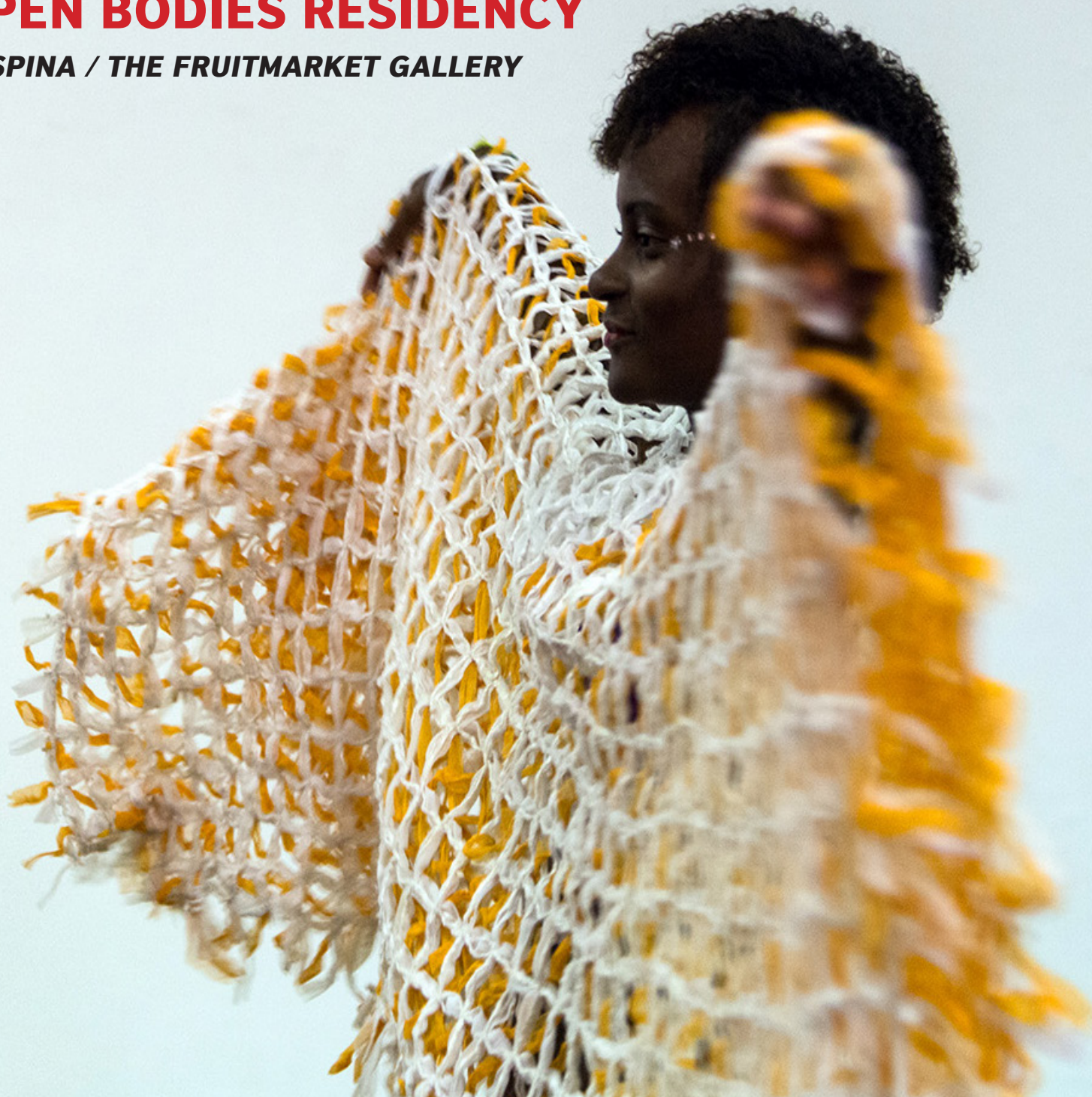


# OPEN BODIES RESIDENCY

**DESPINA / THE FRUITMARKET GALLERY**



*Performance "A Vida se Impõe", by Mariela Scafati  
Art and Activism in Latin America, Despina, 2017  
Photo: Denise Adams*

**Open Bodies** is a residency programme designed jointly by Despina and The Fruitmarket Gallery, with support from the British Council and Creative Scotland. It seeks Scottish-based artists who make performance and whose work is interested in gender and/or sexuality.

The programme is in two parts. The residency will take place at Despina in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in September 2018. The selected artists will participate in a range of cross-cultural activities such as public talks, sharing of work events, studio visits and exhibition tours. Part two of the programme sees the artists participate in the Open Out programme at The Fruitmarket Gallery in Edinburgh in February 2019 (dates tbc between 11–24 Feb). The artists will propose workshops and lead a programme event.

Open Bodies Residency Programme includes:

- Art studio
- Accommodation in a self-contained studio flat
- One on one meetings with a curator
- Weekly follow-up meetings
- Edinburgh - Rio de Janeiro return flights
- Living expenses grant of GBP 500
- Production costs covered up to GBP 200
- Open studio event at the end of the residency to show the works and/or processes to the public
- Accommodation in Edinburgh for the *Open Out* date, if required

## HOW TO APPLY

All applications should be emailed to: **[openbodies@despina.org](mailto:openbodies@despina.org)** by **31 May 2018** with the subject: **'Open Bodies Application'** and the following information in a PDF file:

- (1) A cover letter with name, email, address, phone number and nationality
- (2) A statement outlining your residency project, motivation, what you expect from the residency and what you hope to achieve - 300 word max
- (3) A statement describing your practice/research and areas of interest - 300 word max
- (4) Portfolio with 10 to 20 images of recent works
- (5) CV

## CRITERIA

Prospective artists will be selected by Despina and The Fruitmarket Gallery based on their body of work, CV and proposal for the residency programme. We will take into consideration the excellence of the proposal in relation to innovation and artistic experimentation. Successful applicants will be informed about the results of the selection process by 11 June 2018 via email.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

*Deadline for open call **31 May 2018***

*Artists applying must be able to carry out the residency between **1 - 30 September 2018***

*Artists applying must be able to present their works at the Open Out Programme at The Fruitmarket Gallery between **11 - 24 February 2019** (tbc)*

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**The Fruitmarket Galery**

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[www.facebook.com/fruitmarketgallery](http://www.facebook.com/fruitmarketgallery)

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