

## 2016 Asialink Arts Residents announced

Asialink Arts is delighted to announce its successful 2016 Arts Residents.

From 227 eligible applications to the program nation-wide, Asialink Arts was able to award residencies to 33 individual artists, including 22 grants to Australian arts professionals to Asia. Reciprocal residencies were awarded to 6 visual artists between Japan and the ACT, Taiwan and WA, and Korea and NSW. In addition, 3 models from Asialink's Arts Residency Laboratory will be tested, involving 5 arts professionals from Australia, China and Indonesia.

The Asialink Arts residency program facilitates residencies for arts professionals working in the fields of writing, performing arts, visual arts, arts management, and multidisciplinary practitioners. The contribution of up to \$12,000 each will provide recipients with professional development opportunities in Asia, and enable the sharing of skills, knowledge and networks with local host communities.

27 of the successful residents have been matched with one of Asialink's 55 host partners; ranging from publishing houses, private galleries, theatres, universities and dedicated arts residency spaces. Four residents will be the first to trial new Asialink host partners including Organhaus in Chongqing, Sanskriti Foundation in New Delhi, Tenjinyama Art Studio in Sapporo and Grey Projects in Singapore.

Asialink Arts also accepts self-initiated proposals, and this year **Michael Candy (NSW)**, will journey to Kathmandu to work with the Robotics Association of Nepal in a structured series of cybernetic experiments and workshops exploring humanity's spiritual synergy with technology. Like Michael, this year several Asialink Arts Residents will use their residencies to explore the intersections between art and other disciplines. **Baden Pailthorpe (NSW)** will collaborate with ultra-technologist collective teamLab in Tokyo, while writer **Stephanie Lai (VIC)** will explore the impacts of climate change on cultural traditions at Grey Projects in Singapore

A new addition to the Reciprocal Residency Program is Asialink's first ever craft-focused residency supported by Arts ACT. **Takeyoshi Mitsui (Japan)** will spend 6 weeks at Canberra Glassworks where he will develop new glass art informed by his experience of Australian flora and fauna. In exchange, Canberra artist **John White (ACT)** will develop new works influenced by local inventions and innovations surrounding Toyama Glass Studio.

Launched in 2012, Asialink's 'Arts Residency Laboratory' will test 3 innovative models of cultural and artistic exchange this year, including *Kerjasama*: Reciprocal Residency between Australia and Indonesia. 'Kerjasama' or 'Collaborate' was piloted in 2014 and has become a crucial platform for Asialink to increase awareness of the Arts Residency Program to Indigenous applicants. In this grant round for 2016, Asialink saw a 150% increase in applications from Indigenous Australian applicants. **Tony Albert (NSW)** and **Timoteus Anggawan Kusno (Indonesia)** were selected for the exchange that sees both artists spend 6 weeks together at Artback NT in Alice Springs, before heading to Cemeti Art House in Yogyakarta.

Director of Asialink Arts, Lesley Alway says of the program, "The residency program is fundamental to the mission of Asialink Arts in delivering both cultural engagement and international capability opportunities with Asia. We now have a residency alumni of over 800 arts professionals who are making an ongoing contribution to our vision of a deeply engaged and Asia capable cultural sector able to make a contribution to the cultural life of the region."

The successful 2016 Arts Residents will gather at Asialink on 18 February for a One Day Asia-Capability Orientation where they will meet past Asialink Residency Alumni, and will be formally welcomed and inducted to the program.

**A list of Asialink's 2016 Arts Residents follows. All are available for interview.**

**Full profiles of the Arts Residents can be viewed online here:**  
[www.asialink.unimelb.edu.au/arts/asialink\\_2016\\_arts\\_residents](http://www.asialink.unimelb.edu.au/arts/asialink_2016_arts_residents)

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## 2016 Asialink Arts Residents

Name	State	Host Organisation	City
<b><u>Australian Arts Professionals to Asia</u></b>			
<b>China</b>			
Zhiling Gao	VIC	The Bookworm	Beijing
Prue Venables	VIC	The Pottery Workshop	Jingdezhen
Luke Hutchinson	VIC	Organhaus Art Space	Chongqing
<b>Hong Kong</b>			
Dan & Dominique Angeloro (aka Soda_Jerk)	NSW	Videotage	Hong Kong
<b>India</b>			
Mohini Chandra	NSW	Kriti Gallery & Residency	Varanasi
Kate Just	VIC	Sanskriti Foundation	New Delhi
Hannah Raisin	VIC	1.Shanthiroad	Bangalore
Mandy Ridley	QLD	Nizamuddin Urban Renewal Initiative	New Delhi
<b>Indonesia</b>			
Natalie Sprite	NT	Saritaksu Editions	Bali
Willoh S. Weiland	VIC	Yes No Klub	Yogyakarta
<b>Japan</b>			
Leonie Andrews	ACT	Youkobo Art Space	Tokyo
Raewyn Hill	WA	Tokyo Wonder Site	Tokyo
Reuben Keehan	QLD	BankART1929	Yokohama
Baden Pailthorpe	NSW	teamLab	Tokyo
Nadège Philippe-Janon	TAS	Sapporo Tenjinyama Art Studio	Sapporo
<b>Korea</b>			
Anna Horne	SA	Cheongju Art Studio	Cheongju
<b>Malaysia</b>			
John Mateer	WA	Hotel Penaga	Penang
<b>Nepal</b>			
Michael Candy	NSW	Robotics Association of Nepal	Kathmandu
<b>Singapore</b>			
Stephanie Lai	VIC	Grey Projects	Singapore
<b>Taiwan</b>			
Timothy Cole	NT	Kuandu Museum of Fine Arts, Taipei National University of the Arts	Kuandu
<b><u>Reciprocal Residencies</u></b>			
<b>Korea-NSW</b>			
Marilyn Schneider	NSW	MMCA Residency Goyang, Artspace & BigCi	Goyang & NSW
Korean Artist yet to be selected	TBC	MMCA Residency Goyang, Artspace & BigCi	Goyang & NSW
<b>Japan - ACT</b>			
John White	ACT	Toyama Glass Studio	Toyama
Takeyoshi Mitsui	Japan	Canberra Glassworks	ACT
<b>Taiwan-WA</b>			
Kimberley Pace	WA	Dept. of AIR Taipei, Taipei Culture Foundation	Taipei
Liu YaoChung	Taipei	Fremantle Arts Centre	Fremantle
<b><u>Residency Laboratory</u></b>			
<b><i>Kerjasama: Reciprocal Residency between Australia and Indonesia</i></b>			
Tony Albert	NSW	Artback NT & Cemeti Art House	Alice Springs & Yogyakarta
Timoteus Anggawan Kusno	Yogyakarta	Artback NT & Cemeti Art House	Alice Springs & Yogyakarta
<b>Fukutake House Asia Art Platform, Setouchi Triennale 2016, Japan</b>			
Naomi Eller	VIC	Fukutake House Asia Art Platform	Shodoshima
Joanna Bosse	VIC	Fukutake House Asia Art Platform	Shodoshima
<b>SymbioticA: The Science of Arts Residencies</b>			
Yiyun Chen	Shanghai	SymbioticA, the University of Western Australia	Perth

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