FLINDERS ISLAND, TASMANIA, CLOSE TO CIVILISATION YET REMOTE AND BEAUTIFUL

Are you a practicing artist working in the visual or performing arts? Mountain Seas offers Artist in Residency opportunities to create art in pristine wilderness at their Flinders Island property, nestled between the mountains and the sea.

Spend up to four weeks in nature’s raw beauty, expressing through your chosen artistic medium. Imagine stunning scenery with easy access to rugged wilderness, a well-equipped Arts Centre, and a cozy comfortable place to live. The Program is open to all types of artists including, but not limited to, painters, ceramicists, sculptors, writers, musicians, digital and mixed media artists. A residency allows the artist to experience the character of a place in great depth, inspiring a diverse range of rich and vibrant artistic interpretation.

The act of art enhances the artist, the community as well as what the artist perceives.
LOCATION:

We are located on Flinders Island in Bass Strait, off the North-East coast of Tasmania, Australia. Mountain Seas is contiguous to 40,000 acres of national park. We have private trails accessing tall trees, fresh water streams, waterfalls and sculptural granite boulders.

The walk to the highest peak of Strzelecki Mountain begins one km from the property.

The beaches, two kilometers from Mountain Seas, are among the best in the world. The white sandy beaches of Fotheringate and Trousers Point are featured in magazines such as Australian Geographic.

THE FACILITIES:

The Art Centre: can host workshops in various mediums, and accommodate up to 20 people working in different ways in the four areas available. The Art Centre is equipped with two ceramic wheels, electric and wood-fired kilns, hand-building tables, as well as space for acrylic painting, watercolors and other visual mediums. The Yurt: is available for readings, musical and dance performances and can accommodate up to 25 people.

THE MOUNTAIN SEAS ARTS ACCOMMODATION:

Mountain Seas offers either one of two living spaces dependent on availability:
• A fully furnished self-contained studio containing one large living area with queen bed, kitchenette and separate bath.
• A room with bathroom in the Mountain Seas Retreat and shared living facilities. Amenities for both spaces include: heating, electricity (240V power supply), running water. Internet access and landline phone are available for an additional fee. Mobile phone connection is available via the Telstra 3G network.

AVAILABILITY

Residency at Mountain Seas is generally available in 2015, from mid-April–October (Some exceptions can be made) and in 2016, from April 15– December. We encourage a minimum of 2 weeks stay up to 4 weeks maximum.

PRICING:

Residency Rental fee is $200/week. Artists are encouraged to stay a minimum of 2 weeks
Apply:

Interested artists are invited to apply for the Mountain Seas Artist in Residency by filling out the application form you can download from the website, or request one from us via email (mountainseasretreat@gmail.com). Either fill out and return via email, or post to:

MOUNTAIN SEAS ARTS
PO BOX 125,
Flinders Island Tasmania
Australia, 7255.

MSA RESIDENCY TERMS & CONDITIONS

Residency cost is $200/per week:

- The Resident is responsible for the expenses of all food, personal supplies, art materials, flights to and from the island and transport costs. The pick up fee from the Flinders Island airport is $25.
- Residency is for one artist at the MS Retreat and the use of the nearby Art Centre.
- An additional occupant will be considered upon request, on a case by case basis. There is $150/per week fee for an additional person. We encourage artists to come alone and to use this time as a deep, creative retreat.
- The residency is not suitable for babies or children.
- Limited use of a car is provided for shopping trips to town. Push bikes are available.
- The artist is required to acknowledge Mountain Seas Arts Residency Program wherever possible in relation to artworks produced as a result of the residency.
- Resident is requested to give something back to the Flinders Island community. That could be a half-day workshop, a community art project or some other idea that the artist generates. There is room on the application for suggestions!
- No firearms allowed on the property.
- Visitors are welcome, but cannot reside on the property unless arrangements have been made with the manager. Paid accommodation is available.
- Mountain Seas Arts reserve the right to promote the residency and the artist’s work prior, during, and post residency.
- Internet is available, and it is slow. Consider bringing a wifi unit that works with Telstra if you rely on internet.
- Residents must be medically fit.
- No smoking indoors, and outdoors only in designated areas. No fires in the bush, or any open fires without permission.
- MS Retreat accommodation is wheelchair accessible.
- Residency accommodation is to be left in the same condition as on arrival to Mountain Seas. The artist will have access to washer/dryer and cleaning products for this application. A final cleaning fee of $50 will be charged.