

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**  
**CONTEMPORARY CIRCUS ARTISTS**  
Applications by January 8th 2016

*Research workshop and transmission path between young artists and professionals.  
For artists under 30 years old that are in an individual or collective research phase (but not yet in creation)  
with the aim to develop a contemporary circus project (act or show).*

## PROJECT

CIRCUS INCUBATOR is a new european project gathering 7 organizations in Europe and in America. The aim of this project is to experiment a new model of international incubator for young circus artists who would like to develop their projects in an artistic and entrepreneurial approach. This project is also the opportunity to create a dialogue between young artists and programmers and professionals that are interested in accompanying young artists in their careers' development.

### Objectives of the project :

- Making young artists aware of the necessity to internationalize their career and capitalize this experience
- Raising the awareness of the professionals in charge of dissemination, to accompany young circus artists
- Promoting the use of online collaborative tools by the participants
- Promoting a hybridization of the American and European models of accompaniment and of funds raising

**With this call for applications, Circus Incubator starts his first project incubator that will take place in Helsinki and Montréal in 2016. A research workshop dedicated to young artists will be then developed through a crosscutting workshop focused on an artist/professional dialogue.**

## WORKSHOPS SCHEDULE

### PHASE #1 : RESEARCH WORKSHOP

Dates of the workshop	6 -10 May 2016 (without travel time)
Hosting partner	Cirko, Helsinki, Finland
Number of artists	16 (4 per country)

The research workshop group will be composed of 16 young artists coming from 4 different countries : Spain, Finland, Canada and Brazil. Two artistic directors will accompany the workshop.

### **The aim of this workshop is to permit the participants to :**

- develop an artistic research together, by sharing the participants' artistic experiences and learnings in their own countries,
- know better the professional context of the circus field in Finland,
- propose a public presentation that will be the result of the artistic researches exchanged during the workshop

### PHASE #2 : CROSSCUTTING WORKSHOP

Dates of the workshop [to be confirmed]	7 - 11 July 2016 (without travel time)
Hosting partner	La TOHU, Montréal, Canada
Number of artists	16 (4 per country)
Number of professionals	16 (4 per country)

The crosscutting workshop group will be composed of 16 young artists and 16 professionals coming from 4 different countries : Spain, Finland, Canada and Brazil.

## The aim of this workshop is :

### For the artists :

- to develop an artistic research together
- to be aware of the dialogue with professionals

### For the professionals :

- to exchange knowledge about methods and ways to accompany young artists
- to exchange knowledge about contemporary circus aesthetics
- to be aware of the dialogue with artists

## CONDITIONS

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Travel costs, meals and collective accommodation (youth hostel / Airbnb) are provided during the two workshop sessions.

### Applicants must :

- be under 30 years old
- be based in Finland, Spain, Canada or Brazil
- be available for participating in the two workshops in 2016 : one in Helsinki, Finland (May 6.-10.) and one in Montréal, Canada (July 7.-11. - dates to be confirmed)
- have basics in English

### Evaluation criteria :

- artistic interest
- motivation to participate in an international experience
- will to fall the artistic project within an entrepreneurial approach (finances, development, communication)
- will to exchange with programmers

## SELECTION PROCESS

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To apply, please fill in english the application form online : <http://goo.gl/forms/EfialWSufm>

January 8<sup>th</sup> 2016 | Call for applications deadline

February 10<sup>th</sup> 2016 | Selection based on application forms

## CONTACT

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