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Mário Pires Cordeiro Studio Exchange Program Visual Arts Mentorship

MPCSEP - MÁRIO PIRES CORDEIRO STUDIO EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Mário Pires Cordeiro (MPC) is an is a Portuguese-American international visual artist who established his studio in San Francisco, California. MPC's art career was developed over the last years in London, United Kingdom and Lisbon, Portugal. Since establishing a studio in San Francisco in 2015, MPC has been working on new artworks, continuing his practice. MPC Studio is a very small team of people with plans to grow rapidly in the next two to three years.

Send an email to
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subject line "Application for
MPCSEP" with your resume, a
PDF portfolio, website (if you
have one) and two paragraphs
explaining your interest in the
program and which skills you
would like to develop.

What is the Mário Pires Cordeiro Studio Exchange Program (MPCSEP)?

MPCSEP is an exchange program focused on helping visual artists, painters, sculptors, illustrators, street artists, fashion designers, graphic designers, art lovers and amateur artists to achieve their art practice goals. The coaching/mentoring program is a personalized one-on-one program designed according each participant's individual needs. All goals are agreed upon and established at the beginning of the program. This is an extraordinary opportunity for someone to collaborate with an international visual artist. Working side by side with Mário provides insight into a professional art studio environment and the creative process.

How does it work?

For every 3 hour and 30 minute work-exchange session completed, you will receive a 30 minute coaching/mentoring session in return. A minimum commitment of 10 sessions during a period of 3 to 6 months is required.

What will I be doing?

You will give assistance in creating artworks such as collages, drawings, acrylic painting, sculptures, applying acrylic painting on paper and canvas, small collages, graphic design, video editing, applying watercolors, mixing paint, scanning, assembling small size sculptures, filing documents, organizing archives, editing text and helping with research.



What do I get from MPCSEP?

MPCSEP is an art practice coaching exchange program designed to help people initiate or develop their studio practice career. Frequently artists feel lost with no direction in their art practice, no idea how to start a new art project, or feelings of intimidation by the scale of an art project. Other times artists would like to be more productive in their art studio, would like to improve time management or would like to simply understand what it means to be an artist. All of these topics are addressed by the MPCSEP. The most frequent mentoring and coaching topics are: clear artwork concepts, increase artwork production, improve studio time management, develop strong art practice methodologies, increase studio productivity, shift from a part-time to a full-time art career and improve balance between studio practice, full-time job and free time.

Is there a minimum time commitment?

Yes, Ten sessions minimum up to three months. The MPCSEP is more effective if we meet on a weekly basis.

Can I apply for the program if I am a student?

Yes you can. MPC has mentored students from different art colleges across the Bay Area. Most are in their final academic year. The program should be seen as professional training and in certain circumstances can be taken for academic credit as an internship. To learn more, reach out to MPC Studio. For more details on how, see below ‘I am interested on MPCSEP. What to do next?’

I am retired, what can I take from MPCSEP?

MPC Studio strongly believes there are no age limits for learning, self-improving and bringing happiness into our lives. So, if you are someone that always dreamt about an art career, have been an artist, have run a printing studio, created a textile or a creative design product, etc, we encourage you to apply and can help you implement an efficient studio practice that will help you to achieve your goals.



Do I need to be based in San Francisco?

No, you don't need to be based in San Francisco or the Bay Area. The exchange program does not require your personal presence. The program can be run via computer based from home, email, Skype or video call.

Can I cancel or reschedule a session?

You can cancel up to 2 sessions with a 24 hour notice. We encourage you to plan your availability in advance and keep a regular routine. As you will see, this is very important for improving results.

Do I need an art degree to begin MPCSEP?

No, you do not need an art degree or previous experience in the art field. The program is open to everyone interested in art practice and the exchange services can cover a lot of different tasks.

What is the program language?

The program and literature is in English.

I am interested in MPCSEP. What do I do next?

1. Send an email to info@mpcstudio.co subject line "Application for MPCSEP" with your resume, a PDF portfolio, website (if you have one) and two paragraphs explaining your interest in the program and which skills you would like to develop.
2. A small questionnaire will be sent to you to learn more about your art practice goals and artistic ambitions.
3. If selected, you will schedule a 30-minutes interview.
4. We are ready to start! We will define goals and personalize a strategy. Let's book your first session!

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