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Maajaam open call “Wild Bits” (2022-2025) - an international call for artists for a creation and production residency in Estonia. The project **Wild Bits** is an exhibition concept that proposes a temporary art park in the wilderness. The exhibition looks for points of contact between people, technology and nature. Artworks created will be displayed in situ and at satellite exhibitions in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

The technological art installations consisting of sounds, lights, texts, sculptures or their online counterparts are placed in natural spaces like forests, fields, swamps and lakes.

With this open call Maajaam is seeking proposals for installations, interventions or processes to be installed/performed in landscapes spread out around Maajaam that explore the human condition in a contemporary technological society. The artworks should withstand outdoor conditions.

Deadline for proposals: 12th of December 2021

Results of the open call: February 2022

Residency dates: 7th until the 28th of July 2022

Maajaam is situated in an old farmhouse, but is nonetheless operated as a media art experimentation residency. It lies on the frontier of these overlapping normalities, extending an invitation to contemplate, question and explore the aspects of a technological society, its influence on our behaviour, perception and thinking as well as on our surrounding environments.

The residency will take place in the summer of 2022. The residency lasts for 3 weeks. **The produced works will remain in Maajaam and will be displayed on satellite exhibitions in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania until 2025.** This is the first of multiple open calls to find works for Wild Bits exhibitions during 2022 - 2025.

In total we will select three to five projects for the 2022 residency period. We are open to all artists from around the world. Selected projects receive an artist fee of €2000 and a travel grant. The average budget per project is €5000. The production will be assisted by organizers by providing production facilities, tools, local manufacturing partners, specialized know-how and a smoke sauna experience.

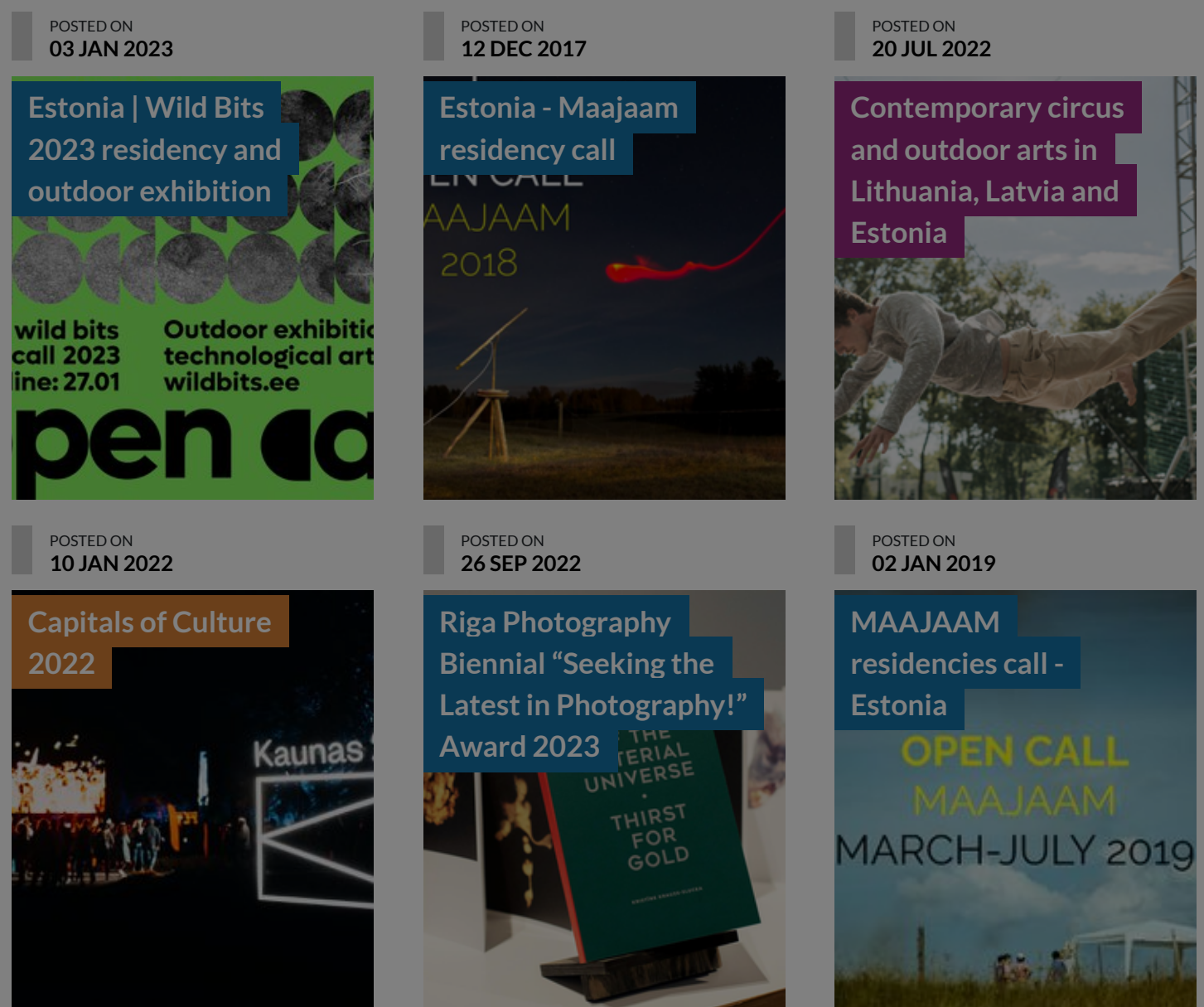
Main selection criteria:

- suitability of the idea considering the assignment
- feasibility of the production plan
- environmental impact of the project
- project's ability to relate to the surrounding landscape

Residency production camp will take place from the 7th until the 28th of July, 2022 in Maaajaam. As an exception we could organize one or two individual residencies on other dates.

The selected works for this call are partly funded by [Tartu 2024 European Capital of Culture](#) and [Kaunas 2022 European Capital of Culture](#). One artist will be selected from Lithuania as the residency is co-funded by Kaunas 2022 European Capital of Culture. The collaborator from Lithuania will be the landscape design festival Magenta, an official partner of Kaunas 2022. The Magenta festival will present three of the selected works to Lithuanian audiences in September 2022.

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