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The term 'Vasl' originating from both Urdu and Persian poetry, has an enriched deep association of a physical or transcendent connection between two. Inspired by this philosophy, Vasl Artist's Association functions as a platform for encouraging the freedom to express and nurture creativity.

Established in 2001 and based in Karachi, Pakistan. Vasl is a not-for-profit organisation that is also affiliated with the Triangle Network, which was founded in 1982 – a global network of artists and visual arts organisation that support professional development and cultural exchange. Since its inception, more than 700 international and local artists have undertaken Vasl residencies, attended various workshops and created projects of significance.

Vasl consistently runs their **residency** programmes throughout the year. The Vasl Residencies and Workshops provide a space and supportive manifesto for professional artists and innovative minds, not only from Pakistan but international artists who are interested in expanding their horizons.

Vasl's Educational Outreach programmes continuously expand the dialogue of art with diverse communities and localities. The main focus on education aids in developing critical thinking regarding art and its relation to modern day society which includes enlightening mentoring workshops for art educators to enhance their professional skills in the higher education sector.

Vasl bolsters research and publications regarding contemporary art practices through publishing and sponsoring artist books, as well as incorporating writers and curators in our residencies.

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