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BONFIRE is a cultural organization engaged in the research and diffusion of contemporary art. A fireplace in the digital realm that offers spaces for gathering and cooperation between artists and agents of the cultural field. By offering one-to-one mentoring sessions and artist residencies we encourage interaction, provoke new dialogues and reflections around the creative process, offer tools to expand your practice as well as support to develop new projects.

bonfire guidance

Transformative individual mentoring, personalised advice and artistic accompaniment in tailor-made sessions. A safe space run by Pat Lemos and Lukas Lehmann, active visual artists and directors of the BONFIRE platform, to unleash your creative vision and unlock your potential.

Are you looking to improve your artistic research and practice, gain new skills and tools, access new resources, and receive expert guidance?

Do you need to share your doubts, your blocks, help to reconnect with your creativity, define your strengths and shape your work?

With fifteen years of experience in artistic-pedagogical projects, collectives, artist residencies and cultural management, we enjoy accompanying artists at any point of their career. From a free gaze and in deep connection with the essence of art as a tool for expression, we guide you to expand your practice and broaden your creative horizons.

Contact us from anywhere in the world, whether you can communicate in English or Spanish. The virtual realm brings us closer.

**Any kind of art is about
the power to connect.**

we offer

Guidance, assistance and support to:

EMPOWER YOUR VISION

IMPROVE YOUR FOCUS

REFINE AND EXPAND YOUR PRACTICE

CULTIVATE YOUR SENSIBILITY

ENHANCE YOUR ARTISTIC RESEARCH

GET EXTERNAL INSIGHTS AND VITAL FEEDBACK ON YOUR WORK

ANALYSIS

Examining and organizing the content of your creative output, including the artistic pieces, artist statements, and online presence (such as a website and social media). We evaluate together the coherence, message, and presentation of your body of work and provide feedback and tools to refine and enhance your artistic expression.

DEVELOPMENT

The process of conceptualizing, planning, and executing artistic projects. It consists of identifying project goals, outlining the necessary steps, and managing the resources and timeline to bring the project to fruition.

CURATION (PORTFOLIO / EXHIBITION / WEBSITE / OTHERS)

Entails selecting and organizing a collection of your most powerful work to showcase your artistic repertoire. It can involve the compilation of representative pieces, arranging them in a cohesive manner, and presenting them in a format that effectively communicates your abilities and artistic vision.

NETWORKING

Becoming part of the international BONFIRE community; getting access to our network of connections as well as to exclusive opportunities and collaborations in relation to the current and former participants and guests of our sessions and residencies.

FIREPLACE

Let us know the topic you like to explore and we will dive into it together!

from us

We are Pat Lemos (Spain) and Lukas Lehmann (Germany), visual artists and members of the duo LEMOS + LEHMANN, currently based in Iceland.

Our practice revolves around nature and its intrinsic visual and emotional relationship to existence. Using analogue photography as the main tool and putting it in dialogue with sound, sculpture and installation, we blur disciplinary boundaries with the aim of exploring new fields of perception, contemplation and emotion.

Throughout our career, our work has been exhibited internationally in museums, galleries, fairs, art centres and off spaces. We currently continue to collaborate with galleries in Europe and the United States, while delving into new levels of our research and artistic expression.

More information on our website: lemosandlehmann.com

After years of experience in collectives, cultural spaces, artist residencies and interdisciplinary training, BONFIRE is the product of our journey and desire to promote artistic encounter and dialogue. We are creative directors and coordinators of the platform and all the services it hosts: guidance, online residencies and external projects. A plural proposal that invites you to discover new forms of communication, inspiration and coexistence.

to you

Artists from all over the world, aged 21 and over, at any stage of your artistic career, whether emerging or established. Creators of all backgrounds and disciplines who seek a nurturing environment for reflection, meaningful discussions, the exchange of creative processes and the professional development of your work.

No matter where you live, whether you have a stable base or are a digital nomad, the sessions are online and allow us to connect your home or studio to ours. A good internet connection will always help us to have a better experience!

If you can communicate fluently in English or Spanish, we look forward to hearing from you!

fee

First session: 180€ (* 160€ for the already BONFIRE community members)

1h30 duration with both directors and coordinators of BONFIRE: Pat Lemos and Lukas Lehmann. It includes a previous file with questions and proposals for the preparation of the meeting; mentoring map.

Following one-two-one tailored sessions: 100€

1h15 duration with Pat Lemos guidance.

calendar

Sessions will be scheduled according to the availability of the mentors, agreeing after each session on the date of the next one at the mutual convenience of the parties.

application

Send us an email to info@bonfire-air.com including:

- Personal details
- Link to your website and social networks
- Motivation for applying

If you do not have a website or your existing one does not provide a solid showcase of your work, please add a digital portfolio (.pdf format) to your application including:

- Short bio
- CV outlining your artistic experience
- Body of work

If you have already participated in BONFIRE and we know your work, skip this step and write to us directly telling us about the current status of your practice and the latest news.

All applicants will be contacted personally by email. Once the start dates are agreed, we will send you the corresponding contract and the questions to work on for the start of the mentorship.

Thank you for your interest - we look forward to working with you!

