

Curatorial Paths: A Curatorial Apprenticeship – Application Form

The National MS Society is excited to introduce an Arts Apprenticeship Curatorial Program, in collaboration with Dirwaza Curatorial Lab, for individuals with Multiple Sclerosis and other chronic or similar neurological conditions. This program aims to provide an opportunity to expand an understanding of the art world by exposing its participants to the local art community through teaching sessions and artist studio and exhibition visits. By the end of the program, the participant will have developed a solid foundation in curation that will aid in self-expression and personal growth.

To apply for the program, please complete the application below and submit the filled form to info@nationalmssociety.ae with the subject **Art Apprenticeship Application Form**.

Section 1: Personal Information

1. Full Name:
2. Nationality:
3. Gender:
4. Email Address:
5. Phone Number:
6. Age:
7. City:
8. Preferred Language

Arabic

English

9. Do you have multiple sclerosis or another chronic or neurological condition?

Yes

No

If yes, please share more below:

10. Please write a short bio here. Consider this an introduction to you, your background and interests – what would you want us to know? Should you get selected, this is the description we would use. *[200 words max]*

Section 2: Background and Experience

1. Do you have any background in curation or the arts (formal or informal – even if a hobby)?

Yes

No

If yes, please describe your experience in the arts (e.g., curation, architecture, sculpture, digital art, painting, etc.):

2. Have you ever participated in any curatorial or arts-related programs before?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide details about your previous participation:

Section 3: Interest and Motivation

1. Why are you interested in the Curatorial Program? *(please rank in order of importance)*

___ Personal interest in the arts and/or curation

___ Opportunity for personal growth

___ Engagement with the community

___ Self-expression

___ Other (please specify):

2. What do you hope to gain from participating in this program? (e.g., new skills, engagement opportunities, personal fulfilment or career growth, etc.):

3. How do you believe this program will benefit you personally and/or professionally?

Section 4: Availability and Commitment

1. Are you able to commit to the full duration of the program? (3 hours max per week, over 8 weeks)

Yes

No

Unsure

2. Do you have any specific needs or accommodations that we should be aware of to support your participation in the program?

Yes

No

If yes, please describe your specific needs or accommodation (eg: accessibility needs):

Is there any additional information you would like to share that may help us in the selection process?

Submission Instructions:

Please submit your completed application by 9 pm UAE time on September 30th. We will review all submissions and contact selected candidates for further steps in the selection process.

Thank you for your interest in NMSS x Dirwaza Curatorial Lab's Art Apprenticeship!

Application Assessment:

We welcome applications from all prospective candidates who are living with Multiple Sclerosis and/or other neurological conditions and want to recruit those with the most potential and motivation, irrespective of whether they have an art background.

We carefully consider each application on an individual basis, taking into account all the information presented on your application form and will select to ensure a diverse group.

As the cohort is limited to 4 participants, in the case that you are short-listed, you will be informed and receive priority for other future similar programs.