

WHAT IS THE RADICAL DIVA GRANT?

The Radical Diva Grant is a bi-annual arts grant focused on supporting contemporary queer artists who demonstrate unyielding dedication to their practice and social advocacy. The RDG was founded on the same modalities as Clump, a queer party that began in 2010 as an outlet for aestheticized celebrations of collective resistance. Clump aspires to create an environment in which artists, performers, writers, thinkers, and the in-between can socialize and work towards the greater good of their community. The Radical Diva Grant intends to expand upon this ideal, encouraging communities to explore radical forms of social and political resistance while also having fun.

WHO IS A RADICAL DIVA?

A Radical Diva is someone who demonstrates advanced forms of consciousness through media forms, and challenges binaries of media representation by presenting new ideas and possibilities. Radical Divas deliver power and strength in concept and execution, propelling minds forward with new processes. Radical Divas are intermediaries between the real and the utopic, assisting the material world in realizing its potentials through physical and digital embodiment. They raise the bar, try something new, or share an entirely different gamut of possibility through their work. They can be artists, writers, dancers, sculptors, curators, hackers, publishers, instigators, etc. Radical Divas may not be queer in a strictly sexual sense; their queerness is defined by practices, lifestyles, and principles that illustrate resistance. We are looking for hard-working, dedicated artists who demonstrate a socially-conscious practice and have ambitious but realistic goals in mind. Project proposals should fit within a completion time-frame of six months and include mapping of how the funding will make the project possible. Applicants are encouraged to submit HD images, video, sound, etc. to help visually/audibly represent how the end project will be executed. We are looking for passion, strength, creativity, and social purpose.

HOW MUCH IS THE RADICAL DIVA GRANT?

Clump is hosted monthly at TV Bar in the Schöneberg neighborhood of Berlin, Germany. At every Clump event, the sliding-scale door cover goes toward the collected funds of the RDG Sum. The more support a Clump event receives from its community, the larger a RDG recipient will receive. Due to the effects of COVID-19, the current round of The Radical Diva Grant will grant five applicants or nominees each €500. For future rounds, we will be giving the lump sum to a single applicant or group.