**INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION**

For Fringe 2022: The Helpers

12–23 January 2022

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# **ABOUT THE M1 SINGAPORE FRINGE FESTIVAL**

The M1 Singapore Fringe Festival is an annual festival of live art by Singaporean and foreign artists. The Festival has a different theme every year. It aims to present outstanding works dealing with social issues to the Singapore audience.

The Festival aims to promote innovation and discussion. It does so through meaningful art, so that we think more deeply about how we are connected in this complex world.

# **ACCESSIBILITY**

We are committed to being an inclusive festival. We want everyone to be able to be part of and enjoy the festival experience.

We are continually improving the user experience for everyone. If you meet any barriers in accessing this form, please contact us at:

Tel: (+65) 6440 8115

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# **Call for Applications**

The theme for the M1 Singapore Fringe Festival 2022 is **The Helpers**.

We are looking for performance and live art works that will fall within that theme. We are looking for original, process-driven, well researched works. We prioritise works that focus on social engagement and critical inquiry in the creation process.

We accept applications from Singapore and international artists. Our website ([singaporefringe.com](http://www.singaporefringe.com)) shows the programme for Fringe 2021. It has examples of the programmes, venues and workings of the festival.

You will find the application form for Fringe 2022 in the following pages. It has instructions, the curatorial brief and allocation of responsibilities. Please read all pages carefully before submitting your application. Do answer all questions. You must fill in the form in English.

Deadline for application: **Friday 5 March 2021, noon Singapore time**.

If you have any queries, please contact us at [info@singaporefringe.com](mailto:info@singaporefringe.com).

# **CURATORIAL BRIEF**

**M1 Singapore Fringe Festival 2022: The Helpers**

"When I was a boy and I would see scary things in the news, my mother would say to me, 'Look for the helpers. You will always find people who are helping.'”

—Fred Rogers

2020 has been a year of instability. We experienced COVID-19 and the resultant economic collapse. We have also witnessed more extremism in politics. There have even been police violence on peaceful protesters. Some of us felt despair due to loss. We have had to make adjustments to what we are used to in our lives. With social distancing, we now need to find new ways to forge bonds.

2020 has taken so much from us. It has driven us into a rage, as we call for help and justice. But it has also been made many of us rise up. Our anger is channelled towards doing what we regard as our duty. 2020 has been a year where we offered help generously in numerous ways. We joined grassroots efforts. We supported families and friends. We donated through mutual aid efforts and emergency relief.

For Fringe 2022, we invite you to consider how we can offer optimism, hope and healing during these times. Can we develop a stronger sense of duty to our community? How can we develop more care and compassion towards everyone and our environment?

***The Helpers.***

***12–23 January 2022.***

***Get involved.***

# **aPPLICATION NOTES**

**Deadline**

Friday 5 March 2021, noon Singapore time

**We accept these genres of works**

* Performances, e.g., theatre, dance, etc.
* Live art

**Do you have production rights for this work?**

* You must obtain written permission from the playwright/originator/author and pay any obligatory fees for these rights.
* You must clear any rights to works under copyright in advance, and provide written proof of these rights upon request. This must be done before your performance at the Festival.
* We will not knowingly produce a show without the written permission of the playwright/originator/author.
* Failure to do so will result in disqualification from participation at the Festival.

# **KEY DATES**

Friday 5 March 2021, noon Singapore time: Deadline to submit applications

Friday, 4 June 2021: Results of shortlisting

Late October 2021: Submission of final script and multimedia for arts entertainment license (compulsory)

November 2021 (exact date TBC): Start of ticket sales and marketing campaign

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