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Join CAUKIN Studio in June 2024 to design and build a site specific art installation at Warren Farm in East Sussex, UK

WARREN FARM

SUSSEX 2024

Project Briefing Document

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ART IN NATURE PROJECT

In June 2024, CAUKIN Studio will be building upon our previously completed education spaces at Warren Farm. This time we'll be going more experimental with the project brief and design outcome. Our aim is to push your creative expression beyond some of the functional requirements of architecture and into the realm of conceptual art installations. The project will place an emphasis on material experimentation and exploration, particularly natural materials that are sourced in the area or from local suppliers.

The project will run for 3 weeks, with the design and construction process happening on site. The brief will be loosely centered around creating a wind barrier for a yurt structure on site. The yurt is home to yoga and wellness classes. We will provide a framework and guidance to ensure a collaborative and refined approach to creating large scale installations in short periods of time.

The project is in partnership with Longbridge and Cherry Wood Adventures, who are currently running educational sessions at the farm. There will be a number of sessions involving these children in both the design and build process of the art piece.



BUILDING UPON THE SUCCESS OF OUR WORK AT WARREN FARM

This will be the fourth consecutive project with Cherry Wood Adventures and Longbridge - expanding on the outdoor education and social spaces already created at Warren Farm. The existing spaces were the beginning of what is now called The Nest - a fun and educational space for children (and adults!) to learn and connect with nature. The site will also soon be home to the yurt which will be used for yoga and wellness sessions.



Collaborators:

Cherry Wood Adventures runs outdoor activities for children and their grown-ups in the woods, fields and gardens of Sussex.

Longbridge is a collective organisation that uses business as a tool for regenerating our planet and communities. Longbridge pioneers a circular economy philosophy - a framework that is restorative and regenerative by design to work with nature rather than against it.





BETWEEN LAND ART AND INSTALLATION ART

Land art, also known as Earth art, is a form of art that involves creating sculptures, installations, or artistic interventions in natural landscapes using natural materials or the landscape itself as a medium. It emerged in the late 1960s and 1970s as a reaction against traditional art spaces and materials. Land art often seeks to explore themes such as environmental consciousness, human connection to the earth, and the impermanence of art in natural settings.

The outcomes from this workshop will likely incorporate elements of land art, whilst also exploring the existing human interventions on the site, such as the agricultural buildings, materials and visitors. We'll seek inspiration from artists such as Antti Laitinen, Christo and Jeanne-Claude, Richard Long, Nils-Udo, Ugo Rondinone, and more.



PACKAGE INFORMATION

Dates

The project will run for 3 weeks. You have the option to join for 2 or 3 weeks during the project period. Options include Week 1&2, Week 2&3 or all 3 weeks, with the changeover being on the weekend.

Start Date: Saturday 1st June

Finish Date: Saturday 22nd June

Eligibility

All those over the age of 18 at the time of arrival are welcome to apply. Construction experience is not required, but a passion for design is recommended.

Cost

2 Weeks - £595

3 Weeks - £795

This includes:

- Education and experience in construction, including:
 - Site layout and foundation build up
 - Structural principles
 - Power tool and hand tool training
 - Detailing and joinery
- Education and experience in architectural design, including:
 - Collaborative design work
 - Design for children and all age groups
 - Design for structural stability
 - Design for public use and safety standards
 - Material development and testing
- Contribution towards project materials
- Campsite (not including tent and cooking equipment)
- Breakfast
- 24 hour support whilst on project
- Education on regenerative agriculture techniques and circular economy design
- CAUKIN Studio T-shirt
- Supply of craft brewed beer donated by Longman Brewery
- Discounts on mountain bike hire, clay pigeon shooting and more!

Fundraising

Participants are welcome to fundraise towards the participation fee. Fundraising can be done through crowdfunding platforms such as GoFundMe, cake sales, sponsored runs or activities and so on. Many participants have applied for and successfully received funding through their **university's grant schemes** that encourage students to gain experience outside of university.

Accommodation

Participants and project leaders will be camping together at the farm site. There will be an indoor toilet and shower with hot water. There will be a camp fire and space to cook and eat as a group and a large sheltered area with seating. We will arrange for access to laundry throughout the project. We will set up a group whatsapp for all participants ahead of the start date to encourage sharing of tents and cooking equipment.

Transportation

You are responsible for arranging travel to and from the camp site for arrival on the 1st June and departure on 22nd June. If you're coming for 2 weeks, the change over days will be on the corresponding Saturdays. We can arrange to pick you up and drop off at the nearest two train stations Berwick and Polegate if required.

Food

Breakfast will be provided during your time on the project. We will provide a shuttle runs to the supermarket to pick up food for lunch and dinner. There will be large cool boxes with ice, or a fridge. We encourage participants to cook dinners communally with a rotating team of 2 or 3 on cooking duty. There will be a designated area for cooking, that is open air, but sheltered from rain. There will also be a large supply of beer kindly donated by Longman Brewery.



Free Time

Outside of arranged activities, time off during the evenings and weekends can be spent in whichever way you chose. There are opportunities to participate in various activities around East Sussex and the countryside. We will arrange some group activities such as a BBQ and walks. There will also be discount on electric mountain bike hire, clay pigeon shooting and more!

Health & Safety

Full inductions to site safety and the safe use of equipment will be provided on site.

Participation Fee

If you are successful in your application, you will be required to pay the participation fee within 6 weeks of acceptance. Earlier applications are favoured, as spaces on projects fill up quickly!



THE PROJECT WHAT TO EXPECT?

The project will encourage us to think sustainably and economically, to create a scheme that will maximise the resources we have available in the local area. There will be a number of sessions during the design and build phase that will engage young members of the education group that currently use the site. These sessions will need to be planned out to maximise engagement and the design will need to be flexible enough to adapt to new and changing ideas.

As a participant we expect you to be hard working, responsible, respectful and most of all - enthusiastic, enabling you to enjoy this opportunity to its full potential. We are looking for capable participants who have a strong desire to learn new skills whilst working well with others, teamwork is a big part of what we do - so this is a must!



THE PROJECT INDICATIVE SCHEDULE

Week 1

Sat	1st	Arrival to site and camp set-up
Sun	2nd	Tool induction and design briefing
Mon	3rd	Design workshop
Tues	4th	Design workshop with kids
Wed	5th	Design workshop
Thurs	6th	1:1 material testing and mock-ups
Fri	7th	1:1 material testing and mock-ups

Week 2

Sat	8th	Day-off (e.g hiking, mountain biking, BBQ etc.)
Sun	9th	Day-off
Mon	10th	Construction
Tues	11th	Construction workshop with kids
Wed	12th	Construction
Thurs	13th	Construction
Fri	14th	Construction

Week 3

Sat	15th	Day-off
Sun	16th	Day-off
Mon	17th	Construction
Tues	18th	Construction workshop with kids
Wed	19th	Construction
Thurs	20th	Construction
Fri	21st	Construction
Sat	22nd	Site clear up and opening party
Sun	23rd	Camp pack up and departure

CAUKIN STUDIO WHO ARE WE?

CAUKIN Studio is a design and build organisation that brings teams of international participants to work on socially, economically and environmentally impactful projects around the world.

The premise of our design group is to use creativity to drive and inspire collaborative design. We work alongside the community in which we are building, exchanging skills and knowledge in the process.

Our projects focus on both the design and construction process. We strive to push our partner's briefs, to best accommodate their needs through good quality design.





PAST PARTICIPANTS TESTIMONIALS

Danel Resenburg Ranwas School

"The work on the project was so enjoyable, it didn't feel like work at all. We did enough activities on the weekends so that we could really experience Pentecost for what it really is. I really wish I could have stayed longer!"

Steph Moore Vivilli Community Hall

"Unforgettable, educational, enriching!"

Marta Domínguez Breña Warren Farm Treehouse, UK

"It was so interesting when the kids came around to the site, and we could listen to their ideas and see their drawings; they were all so creative! It felt exciting trying to make their ideas become real. Their hands-on attitude and involvement with the project was very inspiring."

Huan Xie Playscape, Playdium

"Through the projects, I obtained experience on a building site where I was able to foresee the stages of construction. I learnt that architecture doesn't have to be complicated to be fun and effective! The simplicity of the design meant it was easier to grasp the fundamentals of translating a design into real life."

Matt Wheeler Warren Farm Treehouse, UK

"The tool training we received and the support given through the whole build helped boost our confidence so that we could take decisions and tasks into our own hands by the end. It was easy to break off into smaller groups to complete tasks in an efficient way and bring everything together as we went."



APPLY HOW DO I APPLY?

We are excited to receive your applications and hope that you are looking forward to joining our team for an unforgettable experience! If you are interested in applying, please follow the URL below to our 'Join Us' page and online application form. If you have any questions, then do not hesitate to send us an email!

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