

CALL FOR PROJECTS: RESIDENCY FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A SHORT FILM

carried by **SILLAGES** & **LE LEURRE**

as part of the 2025 edition of the **FISH&FILMS** festival

INSIDE LE LEURRE

THE PROJECT

Sillages is the name of the association that organizes the annual British and Norman short film festival **Fish&Films** at different locations in Granville, in the Manche department of Normandy. The 5th edition of this event will take place from December 5th to 7th, 2025, and will feature competition screenings with a public prize, a high school and university student prize, a jury prize, a film concert, workshops, and a professional meeting.

Le Leurre is a company and a space for creating ultra-light and autonomous spectacular forms, a factory of human events. With its 25m² space, Le Leurre places the intimate experience connecting artists and public at the heart of its offerings.

Since the creation of Fish&Films, Sillages and Le Leurre have partnered to offer festival-goers the chance to discover original, playful, and unique installations for free.

In 2022, Sillages volunteers Sven Laurent and Richard Gaborieau presented their original installation, *Drive-in* at Le Leurre (top left).

Sven Laurent repeated the experience the following year with *Jelly Fish* (bottom left). This cinema set, recreating a quintessentially British living room, was brought to life thanks to the collaboration of the City of Granville, the Tri-Marrant Recyclerie, and volunteers.

Last year, Sven Laurent traded his volunteer hat for that of artist-in-residence. The first person to be paid for creating an installation as part of the festival since its inception, he presented *Making of*, a behind-the-scenes installation about the cinema (right).



Photographs of the installations presented at Le Leurre during previous editions of the Fish&Films festival.
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In 2025, Sillages and Le Leurre have decided to launch their first call for short film residencies.

Their goal: to offer one or more filmmakers from the same film crew the opportunity to create a short film in one week **Inside Le Leurre** during the week preceding the festival, before presenting it during the festival.

RULES AND CONDITIONS

The residency will take place from Monday, December 1, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. to Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., at Le Leurre in Granville. The candidates must commit to being available from Sunday, November 30 to Sunday, December 7, 2025, inclusive.

The edit of the short film, which will be created in one week, must be finalized and converted into a DCP by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5, 2025.

The residents can consist of one or more people for the production of the film (example of film crew : director, editor, sound engineer).

Regardless of its composition, they must bring their own filming, sound recording, and editing equipment (no technical equipment will be loaned).

The selected candidate(s) will be able to shoot their film entirely at Le Leurre or take advantage of the Granville setting (subject to obtaining filming permits from the City before the residency week).

The film's credits must mention that it was produced as part of a call for residencies launched by Sillages and Le Leurre during the FISH&FILMS 2025 festival, and must include the logos of Sillages, Le Leurre, and the associated financial and material partners.

The completed film will be presented to the public:

- at Le Leurre during the afternoon of Saturday, December 6
- at Le Sélect Cinema in Granville during the festival's closing screening, which will take place on the afternoon of Sunday, December 7

FINANCING AND SUPPORT

Thanks to the financial support of the Champs Libres bakery in Granville:

- Accommodation for up to three people (in a private home or in a rental property located in Granville) will be covered for filmmakers living more than 40 km from Granville

- A flat rate of €1,000 for three people, €700 for two people, and €400 for one person will be paid on invoice or receipt for meals and small equipment.

Additional accommodation, meal, and transportation costs will be the responsibility of the participants.

Le Leurre will provide the location and technical assistance with set design.

The Sillages association will provide a team of volunteers who can assist the film crew with logistics, casting, and the search for props, sets, and costumes, depending on the project, both before the residency to facilitate preparation and during the residency week.

Finally, the residents will benefit from free access to all screenings and professional meetings at the festival, and will be invited to meals with the filmmakers involved in the festival during the festival.

APPLICATION

Applicants must:

- Be over 18 years old (for all members)
- Commit to being available from Sunday, November 30th to Sunday, December 7th, 2025 inclusive
- Send between May 16th and June 30th, 2025, to the following email address fishandfilmsfest@gmail.com:
 - Their biography
 - Links to short films already made
 - A synopsis of the film
 - A statement of intent for the film (maximum 1 page)
 - A cover letter for this residency (maximum 1 page)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Film subjects and genres are open to all. Particular attention will be paid to projects that experiment, dare, and surprise us!

TIMELINE

- Residency call opens on May 16, 2025
- Residency call closes on July 31, 2025
- Selection announced in August 2025
- Email exchanges regarding needs in August and September 2025
- Mandatory preparatory meeting, by video or in person, in September 2025
- Discussions with the volunteer coordinator in October 2025
- Finalization of applications (casting, authorizations, etc.) on November 16, 2025
- Residency from Monday, December 1, 2025, at 8:00 a.m., to Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.
- Finalized editing and conversion into DCP by Friday, December 5, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.
- Fish & Films Festival from Friday, December 5, 2025, at 8:00 p.m., to Sunday, December 7, 2025, at 8:00 p.m.

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