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Monira Foundation Announces New Artists' Residency in Partnership with Art LeadHER
The program will support female-identifying and nonbinary artists working in a range of mediums

JERSEY CITY, NJ – On October 1, 2021, Monira Foundation will welcome the first cohort of artists chosen by Art LeadHER to engage in a year-long studio residency at the Foundation's Jersey City, New Jersey headquarters. The program, *Monira Foundation Residencies in Partnership with Art LeadHER*, will award free studio space to up to six female-identifying and nonbinary artists working across a range of mediums. Its goal is to foster equality, collaboration, and entrepreneurship through a shared workspace and engagement with the public. Residents are selected by Mashonda Tifreere, Director and Founder of Art LeadHER.

About ArtLeadHER

The ArtLeadHER Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization that focuses on providing equitable and equal opportunities to women in visual arts. Its mission is to combat gender bias and empower female artists and curators from around the world by creating opportunities for them to excel in the arts. At ArtLeadHER we also work with women and teenage girls who have been marginalized by society due to socioeconomic status to provide visual arts education, professional development, brand exposure, and the opportunity to exhibit their art work in prominent exhibition halls. ArtLeadHER was founded in 2017 by visual artist, author, singer/songwriter, television personality, and activist Mashonda Tifreere.

About Monira Foundation

Monira Foundation, an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit institution, functions as a radical experimental laboratory, working in close collaboration with artists, curators, musicians, producers, and writers to conceive, realize, and present innovative projects in all media. Its mission is to expand the reach and quality of art available to the public through residencies, exhibitions, and educational programs that address urgent and ongoing community needs, particularly as these needs evolve and change.

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