**Application Form:**

**Local Gathering Hosts - Sharing Community**

Meeting Point 2024

| **Key information*** The deadline for applications is September 10th 2023
* Applications should be submitted by email to jennifer@mekongculturalhub.org
* An online Q&A session is open to join at 5pm Bangkok time on 22nd August, 2023:<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0vceGvrz4uGNCSpA7Hih-3BE8c8mwoxIiP>
* Applications should be submitted in English, but please note that spelling, grammar or style will not be part of the decision making
* For further details please refer to the [Program Overview](https://www.mekongculturalhub.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/Program-Overview-Local-Gatherings-2024.pdf)
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**PART ONE: ABOUT YOU**

**1.1 Your details**

Please fill the following information:

| **Family name:** |  |
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| **Given name:** |  |
| **What you like to be called:** |  |
| **Gender / pronouns:** |  |
| **Nationality:** |  |
| **City of residence:** |  |
| **Email address:** |  |

**1.2 Status**

Are you applying as an individual or on behalf of a collective or an organisation? If an organisation or collective please add the name of the collective/ organisation as part of your answer

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**1.3 Your profile**

Please briefly introduce yourself (if you are applying for an organisation or a collective please briefly identify your role within the structure, but the 'profile' can mainly focus on the organisation or group)

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**1.4 Gathering representatives**

(Organisations and collective applications only) If you are applying on behalf of a collective or organisation, and more than one of you would like to participate in the virtual sharing sessions, please list the names, pronouns and roles of the other representatives below

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**PART TWO: ELIGIBILITY**

Please confirm you meet the following criteria:

| **Criteria** | **Please write YES or NO** |
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| Host(s) are citizens of Asia |  |
| Gathering will take place in-person in Asia |  |
| Gathering will take place between March 8th-16th 2024 |  |
| Gathering is related to the theme *Perspectives from the Grassroots* |  |
| Host commits to share experience during the virtual exchange sessions |  |
| Host is available to join Meeting Point in Hanoi, March 19th-24th 2024 |  |

**PART 3: YOUR MOTIVATION**

**3.1 Why you are interested to join the hosting community**

Please tell us about why you are interested to join this program. In particular we are interested to hear about what you want to get from being part of a community of hosts from different countries, all organising their own events but open to connecting through the facilitated exchanges. Are there things you are hoping to gain, to learn or to reflect on through engaging with the other hosts?

Guideline length: 200 words

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**3.2 Why are you motivated to host a local gathering?**

Please tell us a little about why you want to organise an event with your community as part of Meeting Point. What do you see as the opportunities for yourself and your community by being part of this program?

Guideline length: 100 words

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**PART FOUR: YOUR GATHERING**

**4.1 Please tell us the title of your gathering (draft only)**

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 **4.2 Where would you like to host your gathering (name of city/town/village)?**

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**4.3 What does the theme *Perspectives from the Grassroots: Art & Social Action in Asia* mean to you, and how do you see it is relevant to your community?**

Guideline length: 100 words

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**4.4 What is your idea for the gathering you would like to host?**

Please tell us:

* What style of gathering would you like to host?
* What kind of place would you like to gather in?
* What kind of people do you expect to join your gathering?
* What kind of program would you like to put together?
* What kind of activities will you arrange?
* Will you be inviting any speakers/ facilitators or trainers to run activities?

Guideline length: 200 words

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**4.5 How do you plan to manage logistics, communication and technology for your gathering?**

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**4.6 What level of budget would you like to request from MCH ($500, $1,000 or $1,500 USD)**

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**4.7 What kind of expenses do you expect to cover with the budget?**

*We don’t need line by line detail, but roughly e.g. we plan to spend it on refreshments for X people, speaker fees for X speakers, printing, renting technical equipment, translator*

Guideline length: 100 words

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**SECTION FIVE: ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**6.1 Anything else you would like to tell us?**

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**Thank you very much for your interest in the program 🙂**