

WHO CAN APPLY FOR THE FRESH A.I.R. SCHOLARSHIPS?

Qualified artists as well as artists taking a non-academic path in life which led them to Urban and New Contemporary Art, and who have already appeared before the public in the form of works or publications. We also provide support to young talent (students). The Fresh A.I.R. scholarships have no age limit.

CAN I APPLY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP EVEN IF I DON'T LIVE IN GERMANY?

Yes. Artists who are citizen of an EU or EFTA member state can apply. The application process and further communication will be made in German or English.

DO I NEED TO PROVIDE A PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP OF AN EU OR EFTA MEMBER STATE?

Upon application you indicate your citizenship. Should you be shortlisted for a Fresh A.I.R. scholarship, we reserve the right to ask you to submit relevant documents that proof your citizenship of an EU or EFTA member state.

WHAT LANGUAGE CAN THE DOCUMENTS BE IN?

We will accept application documents in German and English.

HOW CAN WE APPLY AS AN ARTIST DUO?

If you want to apply as a duo, both artists will have to fill in an own application form. At the very beginning of the section „project description“, you must then indicate that you will be working together with person X/ as a collective under the alias „XY“ to realize your project. Only this way we can take note of two artists belonging together.

WHAT SHOULD BE STATED IN THE BUDGET PLAN?

For the six-month stay at Fresh A.I.R., a total of 1,800.00 Euro material allowance will be paid out for the implementation of the project. The budget plan should provide the selection committee with information about the distribution of this subsidy to the material costs. This helps to assess the feasibility of a project within the given time and budget. The sum should be spent on supplies and (technical) equipment, but the rental of devices/premises such as a workshop or production studio also falls into this category. No decimal places should be used in the listing.

WHAT INFORMATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE CV?

In the CV section, applicants share relevant stages of their professional or artistic career. These can be: relevant training or university degree, practical experience, solo or group exhibitions, participation in other artist-in-residence programs, teaching activities, other details that are relevant to the project proposal.

I CANNOT SEND MY APPLICATION. / I DID NOT GET A CONFIRMATION OF TRANSMISSION.

From time to time, technical difficulties occur due to individual browser settings. If your application cannot be send/ the transmission is delayed/ the page continues to reload, please try a different browser. According to previous applicants, the Google Chrome Browser, for example, is suitable for a trouble-free data transmission. To ensure that your data is not lost in the event of a technical malfunction, you should save it in a separate text document.

WILL I BE NOTIFIED ONCE I HAVE SENT MY APPLICATION?

Once we have received your application documents, you will receive a confirmation of receipt via e-mail. The confirmation of receipt contains you application-ID, which you should always include in your e-mail enquiries. Please note that due to a large number of applications, it can take up to half a day to receive the confirmation e-mail. Please also check your spam folder.

WHO CARRIES OUT THE PRE-SELECTION AFTER THE APPLICATION?

The Stiftung Berliner Leben checks the formal requirements and compatibility of the project submitted with regard to content using the funding priorities expressed in the advertisement. Furthermore, the viability of the project submitted, among others, is assessed in consideration of organizational and financial factors.

WHO MAKES THE DECISION ON THE AWARD?

An international assembled panel of experts decides whom to award the scholarship to. The panel is only presented with completed applications.

HOW AND WHEN WILL I FIND OUT IF MY APPLICATION WAS SUCCESSFUL?

We will let you know no later than one week after the selection meeting whether or not you will be receiving the scholarship.

HOW LONG WILL MY SCHOLARSHIP LAST?

Our scholarships are awarded for six months from April to September or October to March. It is not possible to extend the scholarship.

DO I NEED TO DECLARE THE SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT ON MY TAX RETURN?

According to our information, the Fresh A.I.R. scholarship payments are unremarkable with regard to tax. Therefore, you do not need to declare them on your tax return.

WILL I BE TOLD OF THE REASONS IN THE EVENT OF REJECTION?

Due to the large quantity of applications received, we are unable to provide individual feedback.

DOES IT COST ANYTHING TO APPLY FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP?

The application is free of charge. Provided that the application is approved, the scholars will only be required to cover the costs of travel to and from Berlin (Bülowstr.) and a security deposit of 300 Euros for the accommodation. The deposit will be withheld from the first scholarship rate and paid out again two months after the end of the scholarship period, given that there is nothing to complain about.

WILL A FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS BE ACCEPTED?

Yes.

HOW DO I RECEIVE POST IF MY CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS CHANGES?

If your correspondence address changes, you must ensure that any post is forwarded to you. Please let us know of your address in good time should it change permanently.

WHAT OBLIGATIONS DO I HAVE TO MEET AS A SCHOLAR?

It is important to us that scholars develop during the scholarship. We expect scholars

- to expand on the points in the program for the Stiftung Berliner Leben and the URBAN NATION Museum in the form of a workshop, lecture or similar program format for the general public during the course of the scholarship,
- to be present at the final presentation of work results,
- to be prepared for a cultural and artistic exchange with the Stiftung Berliner Leben and other creative artists.

I AM CURRENTLY SPONSORED BY ANOTHER AUTHORITY. CAN I STILL APPLY?

The scholar is authorized to receive state or private funding which does not exceed €450 a month. Possible sponsorship, which runs at the same time as the Fresh A.I.R. scholarship must be communicated to the Stiftung Berliner Leben immediately.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR THE SAME PROJECT FROM ANOTHER PUBLIC INSTITUTION?

No. You may not apply with a project that you are already receiving support for.

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WHERE CAN I FIND THE FUNDING GUIDELINES?

Funding guidelines can be downloaded from the Stiftung Berliner Leben and the URBAN NATION Museum web page.

DO I HAVE TO PAY BACK MY SCHOLARSHIP?

No, provided that you comply with the participation conditions which are specified in the funding guidelines, you will not be required to pay back your scholarship.

WILL I RECEIVE A HEALTH INSURANCE ALLOWANCE?

No, you will receive no additional allowances other than those stated in the funding guidelines.

WHO CAN ACCESS MY DATA?

Only employees of the Stiftung Berliner Leben have access to any personal data. Documents relating to the project, and no personal data, are presented to members of the selection committee. Funding from the Stiftung Berliner Leben complies with the data protection provisions applicable in Germany. The data will not be passed on to third parties. The data will only be used for the purposes of selecting and supporting scholars. Any additional uses require an additional agreement.