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## **LITERATURE RESIDENCY PROGRAMMES**

The UNESCO Cities of Literature offer residency programmes to writers and creators. Emerging and professional writers, translators, reporters and journalists are all encouraged to enjoy a vast choice of residencies.

### **BARCELONA**

**Faber** - an arts, sciences and humanities residency programme for writers, translators, playwrights, actors, musicians, film-makers, photographers, visual artists, historians, philosophers, sociologists, anthropologists, journalists, scientists, biologists, economists, lawyers, and any and all cultural activists. There are six 4-week Faber residency programmes each year.

More information: [faberresidency.com](http://faberresidency.com)

**Jiwar Creació i Societat** - the Jiwar Residency Programme is intended for non-Western writers and artists, as well as artists facing political persecution and seeking asylum amid hostility at home.

More information: [jiwarresidencybarcelona.com](http://jiwarresidencybarcelona.com)

### **REYKJAVIK**

**The Writers' Residence in Gunnarshús** - this residency programme is organised by the Writers' Union of Iceland and offers 1-to-8-week residencies for writers and translators for a small fee.

More information: <https://rsi.is/english/the-writers-residence-in-gunnarshus/>

**Residency House at Gröndalshús** - a charming former home of writer, illustrator and scholar Benedikt Gröndal (1826-1907), located in the heart of the old town in Reykjavík. It is open as a cultural house and residency, run by the Reykjavík City of Literature. It houses a residency flat for visiting writers, artists, scholars and translators of Icelandic literature who want to work in Reykjavik. It can be rented for a period of 2 - 8 weeks for a fee.

More information: <https://bokmenntaborgin.is/en/residency-flat>

**Iceland Writers Retreat** – a five day paid retreat, during which each participant is enrolled in a total of five two-hour small-group writing workshops led by internationally acclaimed authors, a Q&A panel with all faculty, and numerous readings and social functions. Traditionally organized annually in April.

More information: <http://www.icelandwritersretreat.com/>



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## IOWA CITY

**The University of Iowa's International Writing Program** - a 10-week residency programme intended mainly for beginner writers and writers who wish to develop their careers, non-fiction writers, poets, playwrights and scriptwriters. Candidates should have at least one published book and works published in anthologies or literary magazines over the last two years.

More information: <https://iwp.uiowa.edu/>

## Óbidos

**Óbidos Creative Residences** - the creative residences are property of the Municipality of Óbidos and aim to welcome projects considered of importance within the scope of the strategy developed. They seek new contemporary approaches that connect with the memories, traditions, experiences and history of the region or municipality. Projects should point in the direction of revealing memories, both human and patrimonial, or to promote other works, upholding the identity of the region. The programme offers short-term residences (1-6 months). Call for proposals are all year around.

More information: [www.obidosvilaliteraria.com](http://www.obidosvilaliteraria.com)

## DUNEDIN

**Seresin Landfall Residency** - this residency programme is open to over-21 writers who published at least one book, irrespective of their preferred genre. Candidates should submit a cover letter with a description of the project which they intend to carry out during the residency, a CV and approx. 20 pages of an exemplary work.

More information: <http://www.otago.ac.nz/news/news/releases/otago045410.html>

## PRAGUE

**The Prague – UNESCO City of Literature Residency Programme** - intended for writers from other UNESCO Cities of Literature and offers an 8-week stay in the Czech Republic's capital. Candidates are required to have at least one published work or at least two radio broadcasts or at least one staged or published theatre play or at least one translated Czech work. Interest in Prague's culture and willingness to participate in local literary life will be an advantage.

More information:

[www.prahamestoliteratury.cz/en/activities/writer-in-residence-program/general-conditions/](http://www.prahamestoliteratury.cz/en/activities/writer-in-residence-program/general-conditions/)

## TARTU

**Tartu Artist in Residence** - this project is implemented in cooperation with the Tartu municipal authorities and the local creative community. By providing accommodation, working conditions and institutional support, the programme supports intercultural contacts, openness and creativity, and promotes Tartu as the City of Good Thoughts. Tartu Artist in

Residence is open to talented people of all areas of creativity. An open call is announced once a year, usually in late August.

More information: [http://residency.tartuensis.com/?page\\_id=1161](http://residency.tartuensis.com/?page_id=1161)

## HEIDELBERG

**Goethe Institut's residency programmes** - Goethe Institut's residency programmes are aimed at creating space for new perspectives and giving artists and employees of cultural institutions possibilities of longer stays and work in a different country and culture. Goethe Institut offers residencies in various cities across the globe.

More information: [www.goethe.de/ges/prj/res/enindex.htm](http://www.goethe.de/ges/prj/res/enindex.htm)

**Writers in Residence** - this residency programme is organised by Heidelberg UNESCO City of Literature.

More information:

<http://www.heidelberg.de/english/Len/Home/Go+out/writers+in+residence+programme.html>

## EDINBURGH

**Fellowships Programme for International Visitors** - a scholarship programme of the University of Edinburgh's Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities for academic scholars in art, humanities or social studies.

More information: <https://www.ias.ed.ac.uk/international-visitors>

## GRANADA

**Granada Writers in Residence Programme (Granada)** - Granada UNESCO City of Literature's residency programme, where every year two young promising UCCN writers are offered a monthly stay between 20 October and 20 November.

More information: <http://granadaciudadde-literatura.com/en/granada-writers-in-residence-programme/>

## LJUBLJANA

**Ljubljana Literary Residency** - Ljubljana UNESCO City of Literature offers two month-long residencies (September and November, one month per residency/applicant) for UCCN authors at the newly restored Švicarija/Swiss House Creative Centre, a cultural, educational and social hub located in the beautiful central park of Ljubljana—situated just a few steps from the city centre. For more information on terms and what we offer write to:

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