

FUNDED RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

Fast Facts

- Residency length:** 10 weeks
Application process: A call for applications – no unsolicited applications accepted
Location: 10 Mahlatini Street, Fordsburg, Johannesburg, 2092
Application opportunities: There are only 4 such opportunities awarded annually

Area	Included?
Flights	
Visa costs	
Accommodation	✓
Travel Insurance	
Health costs in country	
Transport stipend	✓
Studio at the Bag Factory	✓
Support whilst at the Bag Factory	✓
Per Diem	✓
Materials allowance	✓
Contribution to a joint exhibition	✓

Should your application be successful, you will partake in a three month programme working in a collective of artists' studios based in downtown Johannesburg (Fordsburg). The programme offers you the opportunity to interact with local artists, to expand your network internationally and to experience a climate of cultural diversity. Working at the studios, you will get to know the permanent artists at the Bag Factory, the city of Johannesburg and something about the art world in South Africa. Applicants should not expect to profit financially from their stay in South Africa, as this is cultural development programme.

As a visiting artist you will be expected to

- spend the majority of your stay working at the Bag Factory, interacting with Bag Factory and local artists, and experiencing the city
- produce new works that will be exhibited at the Bag Factory, in a group exhibition towards the end of your stay.
- stay for the full period (three months)
- complete a written report on your visit
- provide the Bag Factory the opportunity to select one of your works create during the residency which will be used by the organization to ensure its sustainability
- pay a non-refundable administration fee

What will you receive as a successful applicant?

- Accommodation for 10 weeks rent free, chosen at the Bag Factory's discretion
- A studio space free of rent for period
- A joint exhibition
- An introduction to our resident artists
- Marketing of yourself and the exhibition
- Orientation of Johannesburg and the arts industry during your stay with us
- Facilitation of your time in Johannesburg

What do you need to pay for yourself?

- Basic living costs for the three-month period will come to approximately R20 000 to cover food and transportation within the city. Living in Johannesburg amounts to approximately R200 per day (R15 000 for 11 weeks). To give you an idea of the street value of this amount, a pizza costs about R65, a loaf of bread costs about R14, a can of Coca-Cola costs about R8 and a movie costs R70. Johannesburg's public transport system is not one of its strong points. There is no metro or underground system. There are, however, minibus taxis that run from near the Bag Factory house to Metro Mall on Jorrissen Street, which is not far from the Bag Factory. Some artists choose to walk into town, which takes about 40 minutes.
- To rent a car you have a valid international driver's license. It costs on average an additional R4000 a month to rent a small runabout in good condition. This cost excludes petrol.
- Artists are expected to raise their own funds to cover their transport to and from South Africa as well as their visa costs. It is important to note that costs and arrangements of any transport or shipping of art works into and out of South Africa are the responsibility of the applicant.
- We suggest that you have travel insurance and health insurance. South Africa does not have an amazing public health system and private care is expensive