

## **The 1<sup>st</sup> International Art Residency “Reading Man”**

Jonava Public Library invites 6 foreign artists to participate in the 1<sup>st</sup> International Art Residency “Reading Man”.

Painters are invited to participate in the Residency during May, June and July in 2020. Participants will create artworks, inspired by the nature and atmosphere of industrial post-soviet city in the center of Lithuania. The program of Residency includes creativity workshops with young people from local schools, meetings with local artists.

### **The aims of the Residency:**

- to start a new cultural activity in Jonava city which will help to engage the local community into cultural action that has never been implemented in the city before;
- to experiment and create paintings on the theme “Reading Man” and compile a collection of artwork;
- to share experiences and enliven cultural life in the industrial city that nowadays faces contemporary challenges.

### **Place of the Residency: Jonava, Lithuania.**

Jonava is the 9th biggest city in Lithuania according to population. In 2020 the city celebrates 270 years’ anniversary. Jonava have experienced three different periods of history: The Jewish shtetl, soviet era and now – being a city of independent country. Today Jonava is facing new challenges and trying to reveal its own identity.

### **Time of the Residency:**

First month of the Residency: 2020.05.01 - 2020.05.29

Second month of the Residency: 2020.06.01 - 2020.06.26

Third month of the Residency: 2020.07.01 - 2020.07.31

2 artists participate during each month of the Residency.

The exact arrival and departure times of each artist will be settled individually.

### **Organizers provide:**

- free accommodation in Jonava city;
- one-time financial support of 800 Euros for each artist;
- basic materials and tools for work;
- publicity;
- tours around the city and surroundings, visits to art and culture institutions of Jonava;
- creativity workshops with local youth in Jonava Public library;
- meetings with local artists;
- room for work in the place of accommodation;
- final exhibition of all artworks;
- one-day exhibitions 6 culture institutions in Kaunas region after the Residency.

### **Artists provide:**

- covering of the travel expenses to and from Jonava;
- self-catering;
- specific materials and tools for work;
- giving public workshop to local youth and meeting local artists;
- donation of 2 paintings created during the Residency on the theme “Reading Man” to Jonava Public Library;
- personal health/accident insurance.

### **Application procedure:**

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- completed and signed application form;
- CV;
- description of creative activity (up to 500 words);
- copies of documents attesting to artistic education;
- portfolio of reproductions of paintings (up to 10 photos of 10 artworks);

**The application deadline is March 30, 2020. All documents should be submitted to E-mail: [kristina.jaskuniene@jonbiblioteka.lt](mailto:kristina.jaskuniene@jonbiblioteka.lt)**

### **Assessment procedure:**

The Residency Jury will consider the applications, and selected artists will receive invitations to participate in the 1<sup>st</sup> International Art Residency after April 3, 2020. The invited participants should confirm their participation within 5 days after receiving the invitation.

Jury members: art critic, curator of exhibitions Gabrielė Kuizinaitė, artist Indrė Mikašauskaitė.

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation in private apartment. During the Residency 2 artists share one apartment with separate bedrooms.

### **Fees and support**

- No fees;
- one-time financial support of 800 Euros for each artist.

*The organizers reserve the right to adjust the Residency time and the schedule of activities planned during the Residency.*

### **Contact person:**

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## **APPLICATION FORM 2020**

***Last Name:***

***First Name:***

***Date and Place of Birth:***

***Citizenship:***

***Address:***

***Phone/Fax/E-mail:***

***Month of Residency (choose and mark one option):***

- 1<sup>st</sup> month of the Residency (2020-05-01 – 2020-05-29)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> month of the Residency (2020-06-01 – 2020-06-26)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> month of the Residency (2020-07-01 – 2020-07-31)

**Date:**

**Applicant Signature:**