National Museum of Taiwan Literature Researcher in Residence Program 2024 Call for Applications

The National Museum of Taiwan Literature is launching its "Researcher in Residence Program" to encourage the use of the museum's collection. We welcome applications from researchers, writers, and translators interested in exploring the rich history of Taiwan literature and culture. Through access to the museum's relics, books, and dedicated workspace, successful applicants will have the opportunity to collaborate with the museum in uncovering and interpreting the historical artifacts and materials available.

The "Researcher in Residence Program" aims to build a bridge between the National Museum of Taiwan Literature and the public, allowing researchers, writers, and translators to collaborate with citizens and promote literature through lectures and the creation of valuable records. Through this program, the museum aims to strengthen the accessibility of its collections and to promote academic research, translation, and innovation in partnership with successful applicants.

I. Requirements

A. Researcher

Researchers who hold the position of lecturer or above (including part-time positions) at a college or university, as well as PhD holders who specialize in Taiwan literature, culture, history, art and museology. Applicants with expertise in these areas are preferred.

B. Writers

Writers who have received recognition for their work, including the Taiwan Literature Awards by National Museum of Taiwan Literature, the Golden Tripod Awards for Publications, the Golden Horse Awards, the Golden Bell Awards and the Golden Harvest Awards by Ministry of Culture. We also welcome applicants who have received awards for best screenplays in television and film, grants from the National Culture and Arts Foundation, or other relevant awards as deemed appropriate by the museum.

C. Translator

Translators with experience in translating Taiwan Literature. Qualified candidates should have translated at least three pieces of work or one book, which have been published in domestic and international journals or officially published.

Applicants who meet any of the three criteria stated above can apply. The applicants

are not limited to those with R.O.C. nationality. A maximum of four slots will be available in one session, and two sessions will be opened every year.

II. Application Period

A. Session 1 (January-June)

2023/10/01-2023/10/31 (Results will be notified on 2023/12/01.)

B. Session 2 (July-December)

2024/04/01-2024/04/30 (Results will be notified on 2024/06/01.)

III. Application Method

- A. Applicants must submit an application form by completing "Appendix II. Application for Researcher in Residence Program of the National Museum of Taiwan Literature." Please refer to the attachment writing specification. The application forms must be written in Chinese or English.
 - Applicants shall send the application form to "yuzhong@nmtl.gov.tw" with the subject line "Application for 2024 Researcher in Residence Program _ Name".
- B. Foreign applicants must attach their academic experience certificate (researcher), award certificate (writer), and translation certificate (translator) in electronic format for review by the Museum. R.O.C. nationals are not required to submit these certificates.

IV. About the Program

A. Number: Up to eight individuals a year, with a maximum of four individuals per session.

B. Resources

1. Funding

- (1) NT\$16,000 for R.O.C. nationals or foreigners residing in Taiwan for a total of 183 days or more in the same taxable year (from January 1 to December 31).
- (2) NT\$21,000 for foreigners residing in Taiwan for less than 183 days in the same taxable year. (The Museum will withhold all kinds of income tax, supplementary insurance premium of the National Health Insurance, etc. in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act.)
- **2. Venue:** The Museum will provide the special collection area of its library as a workplace for residents.

3. Access to collections

Residents will have access to pick up items free of charge and view the collections of the Museum.

C. Commitments

1. Work in the Museum four times

Residents are required to work in the Museum at least four times, with each time being for one day and including a special event.

2. Organize one special activity

Residents are required to organize a special activity on Taiwan literature and culture related to the research or work of the program during their stay in the Museum. Handouts or teaching materials are required.

The above rights and responsibilities are outlined in Appendix I, Researcher in Residence Proposal of the National Museum of Taiwan Literature. Please read the proposal carefully before submitting an application.

V. Miscellaneous

- A. The selected candidate warrants that any information provided in connection with this application or the program does not infringe upon the copyright or other intellectual property rights of others.
- B. The research funds provided by the program include taxes. In the case of foreigners, the Museum will withhold various types of taxes in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Income Tax Act, and will disburse the funds after deducting the supplementary premium of the National Health Insurance according to the individual's status.
- C. The selected candidate should sign a contract with the Museum, which sets forth his/her rights and obligations.
- D. In order to ensure that the Museum has the right to use the photographs, videos, and other related files generated during the program, the selected candidate must provide a signed authorization letter. The authorization letter should grant the Museum the right to upload, publicly broadcast, reproduce, and distribute these files.
- E. The selected candidate will be required to sign a consent form for the use of images. The Museum's materials and images are for viewing and presentation purposes only and may not be used for any other purpose. The selected candidate must delete the copies of the images within one year (Session 1 expires on December 31, 2024, and Session 2 expires on May 31, 2025). Any unauthorized use of the images beyond this period will result in legal consequences for the selected candidate.
- F. The Museum reserves the right to modify the program content and to make the final interpretation of all terms and conditions.

If you have any further questions, please contact Mr. Wu.

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Appendixes

Appendix I. Researcher in Residence Proposal of the National Museum of Taiwan Literature (2024)

Appendix II. Application for Researcher in Residence Program of the National Museum of Taiwan Literature (2024)