





New Artist in Residency Platform in Maribor / Slovenia GuestRoomMaribor

Maribor - the city of industrial culture

Maribor is the second biggest town in Slovenia, in last 5-6 decades known for its industry and industrial culture, renowned technical faculties, textile industry and wine. There is an active art scene in the city, multimedia, music, performing, visual, which can compare to the Europe finest and has also gained its international acknowledgment. Somehow it seems the specific industrial cultural context of the city does allow and encourage innovative art forms: Festival Magdalena, Son:Da, Carmina Slovenica Choir, Puppet Theatre of Maribor, Tomaž Pandur, etc.

Pekarna Magdalenske Mreže has, in collaboration with MKC Maribor and Maribor 2012, established the new **Maribor residency platform – Maribor GuestRoom.**

Our aims are:

- Opening Maribor for foreign guest artists
- Initiating long lasting connections of the art scene of Maribor with the international art scene
- Establishing Maribor as a city of research, incubator of new ideas

For the first two years, the **topic of the residency program is Maribor, its culture and its identity.** Therefore the aim of every residency is also presentation of the work – production, work in progress, installation, action, that rethinks and reacts on Maribor situation: *industrial - post-industrial, rural – urban, socialistic – post-capitalistic, intimate – political, private – public space, hidden – visible, innovation – rigidity.*

The participants are going to be chosen by a jury of renown Maribor artists or art producers concidering the following criteria:

- coherence with the theme and city,
- originality of the content,
- degree of feasibility,
- communicativeness,
- possibility of integration with Maribor art scene.

More information on GuestRoomMaribor@gmail.com (we are working on the internet site for you).







In this year we are starting the pilot phase therefore we are glad to invite you to be first to attend in a residency in Maribor:

First Open Call for Artist in Residency September/December 2011

For whom:

- ✓ artists from all art-contexts: performing, music, visual, multimedia, puppet, street-theatre, dance literature
- ✓ artists, that are open for collaboration with the local scene

What we offer

- ✓ Minimum one month up to 3 months residency in Maribor, Slovenia
- ✓ Free accommodation near the city centre (apartments with kitchen)
- ✓ Working space
- ✓ The artist is responsible for his/her health insurance
- ✓ Time of residency: second half of the year 2011 (September December)
- ✓ For limited number of residents we additionally provide: scholarship, refunded travelling costs and production material.

Our demand

- ✓ Collaborating with Maribor art institutions
- ✓ Exhibition/showing of Maribor oriented production work in progress
- ✓ Production attendance

Application

- ✓ Curriculum Vitae Please send a **short CV** including your name, address, phone, email along with educational and exhibition background
- ✓ Letter of motivation and objectives **Briefly** describe your motivation to come to Maribor and the projects you want to realise during your stay
- ✓ Examples of current works with artist's statement (file format: GIF, JPG or TIFF / file size: total files no larger than 10 MB / image size: 1000 pixels / image resolution: 72 dpi)

Send application to: GuestRoomMaribor@gmail.com

Deadline: 10th of July 2011

