

Journalist's Residency 2023: Call for applications for professionals in DRC, Rwanda and Burundi.

Submission of applications until <u>April 16th 2023</u>

The Royal Museum for Central Africa (AfricaMuseum) has set up a residency programme for African journalists. The aim is to strengthen the exchange and dissemination of information, knowledge and scientific research results in the service of sustainable development. Also, the purpose of the journalist residency is to compare views, opinions, testimonies and analyses on issues of colonial history and memory, of representations and of the status of African cultural heritage in Europe and Africa. https://www.africamuseum.be/en/get_involved/journalists

This 5th edition will focus on the 125 years of the museum.

In 2023, the Royal Museum for Central Africa (AfricaMuseum) will be 125 years old. The museum also reopened its doors 5 years ago, in December 2018, after renovation. Since then, the debate on Belgian colonization in Central Africa (Congo, Rwanda and Burundi) and the treatment of this past has gained a momentum. The issues of restitution and provenance research are also at the center of the public debate.

The residency project will have to question the 125 years of existence of the institution and its relationship with the DRC, Burundi and/or Rwanda.

The residency is financed by the Belgian Directorate-General for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Aid (DGD).

Objectives of the residency

- The production and dissemination in the African media of journalistic productions and social media content (articles, radio and tv shows, etc.)
- A look and analysis from an African point of view
- Facilitated access to collections and archives
- The expansion of professional networks

The residency offers

- 4 weeks in October 2023 (subject to change)
- Coverage of transportation/travel costs
- Coverage of accommodation costs
- Payment of daily allowances
- The residency will be the subjected to a scholarship

Expectations from the resident journalist

- Production and dissemination of journalistic content related to AfricaMuseum
- Redaction of a report at the end of the residence
- The call for applications is open to professionals in DRC, Rwanda and Burundi

Selection method: on the basis of a dossier

- Send the file no later than **Sunday April 16th 2023 at midnight** to **JIR@africamuseum.be**.
- Documents to provide:
 - CV
 - Cover letter
 - Description of the residency project in relation to the 125 years of the museum
 - Short personal presentation video (max 2 min, can be filmed with a smartphone)
- Selection Committee: end of April 2023

Useful information about the museum:

- <u>Website</u>
- Past residencies
- <u>Provenance research</u>
- <u>Agenda</u>
- The history of the Museum
- The human zoo of Tervuren

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