

## **FELLOWSHIP GRANTS**

The Tarabya Cultural Academy awards annual fellowships to artists and cultural professionals from different disciplines for four to eight-month stays in Istanbul as part of an open call procedure. The fellowships contribute in a special way to the transcultural exchange between Turkey and Germany and foster intensive engagement with both societies.

## **TARGET GROUP**

Exceptionally qualified artists and cultural professionals who have already gained public recognition for their works or publications and who live and work in the Federal Republic of Germany and tandems of cultural professionals residing in Germany and Turkey who qualify within the framework of the Turkish-German co-production grants. Applications from students are excluded.

Examples of tandems that qualify within the framework of the Turkish-German co-production grants:

- A film director who lives in Turkey wants to work on a new project with a screenwriter from Germany
- A musician residing in Turkey would like to work for several months with a composer from Germany.
- A visual artist residing in Germany would like to realize a joint project with a visual artist residing in Turkey

## **DISCIPLINE**

Architecture, visual art, performing art, design, literature, music, film, journalism and cultural theory

## **DURATION OF THE RESIDENCY**

Four or eight months, with an option for extension by request for another two months at a later date

## **BENEFITS AND SERVICES**

Work in an environment of excellent fellow artists. Communal use of a multi-purpose room usable as a studio, of a rehearsal room (with Steinway piano and drums) and of an event space used by several organizations. In addition, fellowship holders can apply for the defrayment of project-related material costs arising from the realization and presentation of artistic work. The German Embassy in Ankara is responsible for supervision of the program. The Goethe-Institut bears curatorial responsibility and is also responsible for

networking with Turkish cultural professionals and supporting the realisation of projects on site.

## **FELLOWSHIP HOLDERS WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

The cash grant consists in a lump sum grant for living costs in the amount of 2,500 euros per month. In addition, non-cash benefits include provision of furnished accommodation (apartment with cooking facilities and bathroom), defrayal of costs for water, electricity, heating and basic cleaning against a lump sum of 100 TL monthly paid by the fellowship holder. The lump sum grant is intended to cover travel and transport costs and such costs as arise through the exercise of the fellowship by the fellowship holders.

## **TURKISH-GERMAN CO-PRODUCTION FELLOWS**

Both tandem partners receive a monthly cash grant to realise their joint artistic project. The grants for fellows from Germany as with the regular Tarabya Cultural Academy fellowships; for fellows from Turkey, 2,000 euros (in TL according to the current exchange rate). The grants for Turkish partners are provided by the Allianz Cultural Foundation.

Turkish tandem partners who do not have a place of residence in Istanbul can apply to the Tarabya Cultural Academy for assistance with accommodation in Istanbul. Turkish tandem partners take part in all activities of the Tarabya Cultural Academy, including the weekly "Tarabya Tuesdays", can use the studios and other common rooms, and are integrated on an equal basis into all processes. Tandem partners residing in Turkey cannot be provided with a flat at the Tarabya Cultural Academy.

## **EXPECTATIONS**

The fellows undertake to be present in Istanbul for the duration of the fellowship. In the case of absences that are not related to the project and that together exceed one tenth of the total duration of the fellowship, the cash grant may be subsequently reduced. If the absence is brought about by urgent personal reasons, the management of the Cultural Academy will decide on exceptions. As soon as the absence exceeds a quarter of the total duration of the fellowship, the stay is considered cancelled. Acceptance of the fellowship establishes the obligation to use the offered funding opportunities.

The production of concrete artistic results on the part of the fellowship holders during their stay is welcome. This is not, however, an obligation. If works are created during the tenure of the fellowship, reference need be made to the support of the Academy in publications. Open-mindedness towards the host country, willingness to network with the Turkish cultural scene and participation in events is expressly desired. At the end of the fellowship, fellowship holders are expected to submit a written report about their stay.

## **SELECTION PROCEDURE**

An independent jury of the Tarabya Cultural Academy selects the scholarship recipients. The jury consists of a five experts, who assess the artistic quality of the applications.

The Cultural Academy decides on the award of fellowships based on the nominations of the independent jury. To this end, it forms a fellowship committee, composed of the management of the Cultural Academy, the chairman of the Academy Council, and the chairman of the independent jury. There is no legal claim to the award of a scholarship.

**The Turkish-German co-production grants are awarded in cooperation with the Allianz Cultural Foundation**

[https://kulturstiftung.allianz.de/en\\_EN/programmes/operational-projects/tarabya\\_koproduktionsstipendien.html](https://kulturstiftung.allianz.de/en_EN/programmes/operational-projects/tarabya_koproduktionsstipendien.html)



## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR FELLOWSHIP HOLDERS WHO LIVE AND WORK IN GERMANY**

Travelling with family is possible. Care of children must be guaranteed by the parents or legal guardian. Upon request, fellowship holders with single parent households and minor children may be granted a supplement to the required child care and school costs. Good knowledge of German, good knowledge of English, and a basic knowledge of Turkish are an advantage.