

# WRITING GENDER

## KIGALI

The purpose of this residency is to support writers as they complete or make significant advances with a work-in-progress novel manuscript. We are particularly passionate about literature as a space for opening up conversations about gender, its modes of construction, histories, representation and relationality to power: the theme of this residency is therefore *writing gender*.

## WRITING GENDER: DETAILS

### ELIGIBILITY

Writers:

- over 18 years old;
- from African countries (except Rwanda) and German-speaking countries;
- who have at least one published text, either with a publisher, in a literary magazine or in a newspaper. Self-published work will not be considered;
- working on a novel (fiction) manuscript that explores gender and its constructions;
- who are available for four weeks in September 2021.

### DURATION

Four weeks, in September 2021

### APPLICATION

- Letter of motivation documenting your writing career, a proposed writing plan for the residency and the reasons for your application (max. two pages, in English)
- Description of the novel to be developed during your residency and its connection to ideas of writing gender.
- Work sample from the novel that you want to work on during your residency (3000-4000 words) and one other published text.
- Curriculum Vitae/Full biography (max. two pages, in English).

All documents must be send as one PDF.

**Application deadline: 16 May 2021**

## BENEFITS OF THE RESIDENCY

- This writers' residency will be awarded jointly to two writers: one writer based in Africa and one German-speaking writer. Both writers will stay in Kigali for four weeks.
- During their stay, the writers will have space to work on their writing, have literary exchange with each other and introduce their writing to a local audience.
- Transportation costs (a return economy flight ticket from home to Kigali) and visa fees will be covered.
- Accommodation during the four-week stay will be provided.
- Each writer will receive a grant of 2.000 Euro for the residency period (inclusive of a per diem and private transport) paid in place in two installments.
- Working languages for 2021 are English and German.

## CONTACT

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