

FACT SHEET: Support for Parent Artists

As part of a pilot programme, Pro Helvetia supports parent artists participating in residencies or research trips by offering additional financial support. If you are a parent artist and would like to apply for a residency or a research trip, please carefully read through this document.

Please consider that the preparation for residencies and research trips can be complex and time intensive. Traveling with children and possibly additional caregivers may add another level of complexity. Pro Helvetia encourages parent artists to apply for residencies and research trip and is committed to providing support. However, the responsibility for the timely submission of documents and coordination of child-care, travel for accompanying children, partners and/or care-givers lies in the hands of the artists.

Important information to consider before you apply:

- Pro Helvetia operates in a global context. Regulations and visa restrictions for international travel may apply. Please follow the rules set out by the local embassy or consulate when applying for a visa for yourself, your family members and/or accompanying caregiver. Pro Helvetia cannot guarantee the approval of visa applications for accompanying children, partners, family members or caregivers.
- Please note that not all our partnering residency institutions are able to host parent artists with children. Pro Helvetia cannot guarantee that you will be selected for the hosting institution of your choice, as indicated in your application.
- Parent artists know what best fits their specific family situation and needs and are therefore responsible for organizing childcare, accommodation, travel etc.

Financial support

To support parent artists who wish to go on residencies and research trips with their children, Pro Helvetia offers an additional amount of maximum 1000 CHF per month. The amount may be used to co-finance the following expenses:

- Additional childcare, in the home country or in the residency country
- Additional travelling cost for children and caregivers, e.g. a partner or a family member
- Accommodation for children and additional caregivers

As part of their application, artists are required to submit a budget with the proposed additional expenses and a short description of why the proposed budget is needed and how it will be spent.

Please have the necessary information ready when filling out your application on myprohelvetia. After completing the residency/research trip, artists need to be able to provide proof of the costs that actually incurred.

For further information, please reach out to Gabriela Mighali (gmighali@prohelvetia.ch).