**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**Visegrad Literary Residency Program**

**Compact Spring Edition (1st May-12th June 2016)**

**and Regular Autumn Edition (1st September-30th November 2016)**

**Application and criteria**

*Who can apply for a scholarship?*

* writers of fiction and non-fiction, poets and literary translators with at least one book publication (min. 18 years old)
* essayists, critics, publicists and journalists with at least 3 publications in quality newspapers, magazines or electronic media (min. 18 years old)

*How to apply for a scholarship?*

* each applicant has to fill in the [on-line application form](http://visegradapplicationform.villa.org.pl/) (in English) containing:
1. structured CV
2. description of the literary plans for the residency
3. list of publications
4. motivation letter
* each applicant may attach other documents, recommendations etc. (in English) which she/he finds important for evaluating her/his application

*What does the scholarship include?*

* Accommodation in a shared apartment in the chosen Host City (one-person rooms with washroom facilities and free internet access, shared kitchen) from 1st May to 12th June 2016 (Compact Spring Edition) or 1st September to 30th November 2016 (Regular Autumn Edition)
* A stipend of 1,125 EUR gross (Compact Spring Edition) or 2,250 EUR gross (Regular Autumn Edition)
* Support from the Host Institution in preparing for the stay, in organizing literary meetings, interviews and workshops as well as networking with publishers and literary critics

**Criteria of selection and access to the Program**

**Criteria of selection**:

* professional approach towards literary work documented by previous work
* quality and credibility of residency plans presented in the application form
* good reputation and clear record in cooperation with the International Visegrad Fund
* willingness to participate in public meetings organized by the Host Institution
* willingness to collaborate with other literary residents supported under this Program and with the Host Institution as agreed with this Institution in order to secure the V4 added value of the Program
* willingness to be present at the Host Institution and their accommodation capacities during the residency period for the purpose of implementing the Residency Project
* V4 focus of the residency plans

**Access to the Program:**

1. Applicants must be citizens of one of the Visegrad Group states, i.e.: the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland or Slovakia.
2. Applicants must apply under legal name provided in ID card/passport.
3. Applicants’ previous projects supported by the International Visegrad Fund shall be finished and closed in the time of applying.
4. Applicants shall be granted a Literary Residency within this Program only once in each V4 member state.
5. Applicants must cover the costs of health insurance for the period of the Literary Residency by themselves.

**Time schedule**

Deadline for application: 31st January 2016 (midnight)

Results announced by IVF and Villa Decius Association: 10th March 2016

**More information and helpdesk:**

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