

ACADÉMIE D'ARCHITECTURE RESIDENCY PROGRAM AT THE CITÉ INTERNATIONALE DES ARTS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR 2026

The French Académie d'architecture is supporting professionals and researchers from various countries, namely young ones, by providing residencies at the Cité internationale des arts in Paris, located at the heart of the historical city. This program aims at helping them in their career by creating links and allowing them to develop a personal project.

The Académie d'architecture is an NGO gathering about 350 members: renowned architects from France and abroad as well as related specialists from the urban, architectural and heritage sector. With its rich history since 1840 under the name of "Société centrale des architects", the Académie d'architecture is aimed at promoting quality for architecture, urban planning and heritage as well as conservation of archives and cultural dissemination.

The Cité internationale des arts is an artists' residency located in the heart of Paris which brings them together and allows them to implement a creation or research project in all artistic disciplines.

It provides them with a working environment conducive to creation while open to encounters with professionals from the cultural milieu. Artists in residence benefit from tailored support from the Cité internationale des arts team.

http://academie-architecture.fr/ https://www.citedesartsparis.net/

Who can apply?

Professionals and researchers from France and abroad in the field of architecture, urban planning, heritage, plastic-arts and history, with a personal project related to France. French or English speaking is required.

The live-in studios for which the Académie d'architecture is a subscriber

The Académie d'architecture is a subscriber for five live-in studios at the Cité internationale des arts, in the neighbourhood of Le Marais, on the River Seine, 18 rue de l'Hôtel de Ville in Paris. The size of those live-in studios ranges from 20 to 40 m². According to the size and the duration of the stay, the monthly rate varies from 525€ to 549€, not including supplement, An advanced security deposit equivalent to a monthly rate is due by the resident. It is possible for a couple with one child less than 7 years old to apply. An additional payment will be charged for a second person (accompanying or visiting) or a child. Those payments are to be made to the Cité internationale des arts.



Schedule

Stay: between 3 and 12 months, between January and December 2026.

Application deadline: 20th June 2025.

Submission

Files (digital only) to be sent to contact@academie-architecture.fr and mireille.grubert@free.fr before the above dead line. Candidates will be selected by the Académie d'architecture and submitted to Cité internationale des arts for approval.

Content:

- Letter of intention (2 pages max.)
- Description of the residency project (2pages max)
- Photograph
- CV
- A book file or links for web-sites where work can be seen.
- Letter(s) of recommendation
- How did you learn about this program: social networks, website of the Académie d'architecture or of the Cité internationale des arts, word of mouth...

Applications will be selected namely after:

- Specific links with architecture, city planning or/and heritage
- Why in France and in particular Paris?
- How does it help promoting the Académie d'architecture in France or abroad?
- Added value of staying at Cité internationale des arts for the development of the residency project.

Benefits of residency

Residents will be able to take part in activities of both institutions, since the Académie d'architecture and the Cité internationale des arts are partners in this program.

Artists can benefit from a monthly support program, networking opportunities and events organised by the partners of the residency program.

At the Académie d'architecture

Artists in residence are invited to all the public events of the Académie (conferences, round tables, exhibitions, etc.). They could also be invited to give conferences or contribute to exhibitions. They have access on demand to the extremely rich archives of the Académie, recently listed as part of the National French Archives.

Artists in residence can benefit from a designated contact person among the members of the Académie, according to their field of interest.



From the Cité internationale des arts

What makes this residency so special is that many people come from different backgrounds, countries and practices, fuelling each other and working at the same place, in the heart of Paris. During the residency, artists benefit from a support program, including visits, meetings, and a diverse cultural program (weekly open studios, exhibitions, conferences...).

Monthly fees cover the cultural and artistic offer, the support program but also the studio. All residents have a free access to WIFI and can request the "Cité card", which will grant them access to many Paris-based cultural venues for free or at preferential rates.