



RESIDENCY DETAILS

THE PROJECT. OUR PHILOSOPHY

The project's concept is inspired in the Arab tradition of *Jiwar*, which is literally translated as *neighborhood*. *Jiwar* refers to the art of establishing a creative and sustainable relationship between neighbors. Beyond this immediate significance, *Jiwar* refers to a philosophy of life that aims at fostering neighboring values and bridging experiences.

Jiwar is most interested in artists and researchers who place their work and their methods on the frontiers between cultures and disciplines. A priority is given to artistic and social projects, which address and deal with intercultural and interdisciplinary issues.

The Residency activities are open to the neighborhood. Artists are invited to share some of their work with Gràcia residents through open air meetings, readings and workshops in our garden.

Some of our artistic activities in the garden:



Historical and anthropological presentation of the henna ritual in Pakistan (mehndi) and Morocco (with Ibn Batuta Association, July 2011) and Creative Architecture for children (with Arquikids, Jun 2011).

THE SPACES

The residency is located in a historical house built in 1888-1909 and designated as part of the City of Barcelona's Architectural Heritage. The accommodations are composed of an 180sqm apartment and a 650sqm garden.

The apartment has:

- 3 big individual Study-rooms, each 20. sqm which allow for comfortable study and work
- An extra 10sqm separate space which serves as a workshop for artistic activities
- 1 meeting room for 6-8 persons
- 2 shared rest-rooms
- 1 shared bathroom
- A fully equipped communal kitchen
- 3 shared spaces: living room, a veranda with a view on the garden, a balcony on Astúries Street. All three shared spaces and mainly the veranda area are ideal for individual or teamwork sessions.
- The garden is a central area of the Residency, a quite and peaceful oasis in the middle of vibrant Gràcia. It is an ideal area for personal work and meditation as well as for outdoor activities (meetings, public readings, art expositions, unplugged concerts, etc.). Given that Barcelona has an excellent climate during most of the year, the garden is a very pleasant and useful place at all times.

LOCATION

We are located in Gràcia, one of the most attractive and dynamic districts of Barcelona, near the city center, its harbor and beaches.

The Residency is situated just 5 min walk from Fontana's metro station, which takes you to the city's center (10 min) and the harbor (15 min). Also, nearby, there is a suburban train, which takes you, in less than 15 min, to the Mediterranean Collserola mountains and forest.

Gràcia is adored by artists and intellectuals for its rich cultural activities and popular celebrations as well as for its rich and diverse gastronomy and nightlife.

Traditionally, Gràcia was a popular district, known for its craft makers, popular celebrations and ceremonies, which still remain today as vibrant and lively (*castellers* -human-castle building-, *festa major* –popular streets party-, *correfoc* -fire shows-, etc.). Despite its proximity to the city center, the district is, happily, still well protected from massive tourism and has kept its quaint and sought after village atmosphere.

Residence seen from the garden and from Asturias street



APPLICATION CONDITIONS

Applications are to be sent by e-mail to jiwarbarcelona@gmail.com in English, Spanish, French or Arabic. They must include the following items:

1. The period of your stay (with alternative dates if possible)
2. A CV and, if possible, a press dossier.
3. A sample of recent work that is most representative of the artist's style and philosophy.
4. A short statement of purpose describing the project as well as the artist's plan of work and goals during the residency.
5. Languages spoken

PRICES

One week residency: 275€ +8% IVA tax = 297€

Two weeks: 550€ +8% IVA tax = 594 €

Three weeks: 800€ +8% IVA tax = 864 €

One month residency: 1.050€ +8% IVA tax = 1.134 €

GRANTS

Please note that for this coming year, Jivar will not be able to provide grants. Artists will have to apply for grants by their own means. However, we can support artists with any recommendation or attestation that they may require for their grant applications.

OFFERED SERVICES

Logistics:

- Cleaning (once a week) and maintenance service

Support for residents:

- Welcome and orientation session
- Events and activities organized on the base of the resident's work.
- Meetings with local artists.

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