Accessing a Snape Maltings Residency

Britten Pears Arts and the PRS Foundation work together to deliver opportunities for music creators.

The Residency programme exists for the development of artist led activity. Residencies are intended to provide time, space and resources for artists to build on their creative practice or enable a step change in career. We do not pay artists fees as we are not asking for a direct service from them. We offer an unrivalled opportunity which gives artists a starting-block and rounded support.

What is provided on a Snape Maltings Residency place?

We provide the following for all Residencies. Please note the amounts given are in-kind costs and not cash amounts given to the artist.

• A space to work in at Snape with the equivalent value of up to £750 per day
• Tech support £1,000
• A tech budget of up to £600 for equipment hire
• Producer support £1,000
• Accommodation £150pp
• Travel £50pp
• Lunches £42pp

Although we do not pay fees, we can advise on support available should financial viability be an issue for you and your collaborators.

We can also help you with funding applications to relevant funders if needed.

What if I still can’t afford to take up a place?

We recognise that even with these resources provided, artists from low-income backgrounds or with specific access needs might still be unable to take up a Residency place for financial reasons. Britten Pears Arts works with the PRS Foundation to provide additional financial support to cover additional costs, for example:

• All meals during your Residency
• Childcare costs during your Residency
• A support worker during your Residency
• An access support person during your Residency
• Project materials needed for the Residency
• Any extra transport costs e.g. you have specific access needs and cannot travel by public transport
• Any items relating directly to the access needs of the artist, to enable them to go ahead with the Residency
Do I qualify for extra support?

Please use the guidelines below to make a self-assessment. We work on the basis of trust, and won’t ask for proof. We only ask for your honesty and hope this will allow extra support to go where it is really needed. Please select the category that most accurately describes your personal circumstances:

CATEGORY ONE

• I frequently worry about meeting basic* needs and don’t always meet them.
• I have debt and it sometimes prohibits me from meeting my basic needs.
• I am unemployed or underemployed.
• I qualify for government and/or voluntary assistance including foodbanks and benefits.
• I rent lower-end properties or have unstable housing.
• I sometimes can’t afford public or private transport. If I own a car/ have access to a car, I am not always able to afford petrol.
• I have no access to savings.
• I have no or very limited expendable** income.
• I rarely buy new items because I am unable to afford them.
• I cannot afford a holiday or to take time off without financial burden.

If you feel this category reflects your circumstances, we can allocate £1,500 toward your costs

CATEGORY TWO

• I may worry about meeting my basic needs but still regularly meet them.
• I may have some debt, but it does not prohibit attainment of basic needs.
• I am employed / make income through self-employed work
• I can afford public transport and often private transport. If I have a car/ access to a car I can afford petrol.
• I might have access to financial savings.
• I have some expendable income.
• I’m able to buy some new items and I buy others second hand for financial reasons.
• I can take a holiday annually or every few years without financial burden.

If you feel this category reflects your circumstances, we can allocate £750 toward your costs

CATEGORY THREE

• I am comfortably able to meet all my basic needs.
• I may have some debt, but it does not prohibit meeting my basic needs.
• I own my home or property, or I rent a higher end property.
• I can afford public and private transport. If I have a car/access to a car I can afford petrol.

• I have access to financial savings.

• I have an expendable** income.

• I can always buy new items.

• I can afford an annual holiday or take time off.

If you feel this category reflects your circumstances, we are unable to offer you support from our PRSF fund. However, please do still get in touch to talk to us, so that we can discuss your options.

*BASIC NEEDS include food, housing, clothing and transportation.

**EXPENDABLE INCOME might mean you are able to buy coffee or tea at a shop, go to the cinema or a concert, buy new clothes, books and similar items each month, etc.