



O P E N C A L L

A R T I S T
R E S I D E N C Y

for a swedish artist
from Gävleborg region
in Geneva

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G E N E V A

2023

OPEN CALL = OPTIC GENEVA

The OPTIC residency program offers the possibility for a Swedish artist to come and develop a project in Geneva in Switzerland from **July to the beginning of September 2023..**

1) THE RESIDENCY

The resident in Geneva will have the opportunity to work in a space called Picto located in a central part of the city to develop a personal project.

The city of Geneva is particularly calm during July and August, but its cultural activity resumes at the beginning of September.

At the end of the summer researches, the resident will have the chance to present a final project or a work in progress in the beginning of September either at Picto or in another cultural place in the city * (see chapter 7)

Ultimately a project such as an exhibition, conference, workshop or other must be proposed by the resident.

2) FOR WHOM ?

The resident can have an artistic activity in all areas of expression and should not be a student anymore.

English is recommended and applications by artist from or with a connection to Gävleborg region is requested.

3) RESIDENCE PERIOD

From the July 25 to September 30 2023

4) APPLICATION DEADLINE : May 15 2023

Applicants shall submit the application form and the following information as ONE file in PDF format of maximum, (10 mb) all information needs to be in english :

- Application form
- Artist statement
- A short text about why you want to visit us and what you want to do during your residency in Geneva
- Portfolio of recent works (10 pages)
- CV or resumé
- Copy of valid ID or passport

Mark the email and PDF in your application with:
“Optic Geneva23 + name”

Email your application to : opticartresidency@gmail.com

The jury's decision will be communicated **end of may 2023**

5) GENEVA - A CULTURAL CITY

- An overview of some spaces -



L'usine

► <https://www.usine.ch>



àDuplex

► <https://aduplex.ch>



One gee in fog

► <https://onegeeinfog.com>



Espace Halle Nord

► <https://halle-nord.ch/halle-nord>



Maison des Arts du Grütli

► <https://www.ville-ge.ch/culture/grutli/>



Spoutnik

► <https://spoutnik.info>

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Here you can find a list of the independent art spaces in Geneva :

BIG (Biennale of independent art spaces)

► <https://bigbiennale.ch/2019/equipages>

An overview of some museums :

MAMCO

► <https://www.mamco.ch>

Centre de la photographie

► <https://www.centrephotogeneve.ch>

Centre d'art contemporain

► <https://centre.ch/fr/>

Centre d'édition contemporaine

► <https://www.c-e-c.ch/fr/>

Musée d'art et d'histoire

► <http://institutions.ville-geneve.ch/fr/mah/>

Musée Ariana

► <https://www.musee-ariana.ch/fr>

MEG

► <https://www.meg.ch/fr>

Cabinet d'arts graphiques

► <https://www.geneve.ch/fr/cabinet-arts-graphiques>

Musée Rath

► <https://www.geneve.ch/fr/musee-rath>

Geneva's galleries

► <https://quartierdesbains.ch/membres/>

Fondation Bodmer

► <https://fondationbodmer.ch>

Creation spaces :

Kugler

► <https://www.usinekugler.ch>

Vélodrome

► <https://levelodrome.org>

Atelier genevois de gravure contemporaine

► <https://aggc.ch>

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6) WHAT WE OFFER :

– Travel costs

From Sweden to Geneva
and return ticket

– Accommodation

in Geneva
We will do our best to find an accommodation near
PICO.

– Grant – ca 30000SEK

(in support by Konstfrämjandet Gävleborg &
Canton de Genève / Office cantonal de
la culture et du sport)

– Guide / local contact

by request and availability

– A public presentation of the artist's work

(mailing of an event + snack and refreshment)



Detail of Daniel Nordin show *Bitmap* at TOPIC in Picto
September 2022
Daniel Nordin was the swedish resident 2022 in Geneva

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– A Studio

The working space is about 35 m2 bright, made up of two spaces. This work space includes a place free of charges with the heating, electricity and internet costs. The resident also have access to a ceramic oven. All kinds of work is allowed in the studio (painting, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, video). The resident agrees to use the studio at an occupancy rate of at least 80%, it can be used 24 / 24.

The studio is part of Picto's building located here :
► <https://goo.gl/maps/iUxEfbbsBnnpnf7mT9>
(20 min walking distance to the main train station Cornavin)



Picto's building

Picto's Studio

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7) WHAT WE DON'T OFFER :

– Production help

The resident can apply in Sweden for extra money for the production of a work as soon he/she gets a positive answer.

– 24 h Assistant

Someone will be there to welcome the resident and introduce him/her to the cultural scene of Geneva but the OPTIC team counts also on a certain autonomy of the resident.

– Pre-booked exhibition

An exhibition or a presentation of the residents work is possible in the Picto studio or at TOPIC (exhibition place in Picto) : <https://topic.to>

The resident will have the responsibility to take contact with some places in Geneva (with the help of the assistant) if he/she wants to exhibit at another place.

8) Jury

The jury will be composed of several cultural actors from the Geneva scene. Their names will be revealed at the end of the OPEN CALL.

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