

National Museum of Taiwan Literature
2026 Selection Guidelines for Taiwan Literature Base
Writers-in-Residence

- 1. Purpose:** The objectives of the Taiwan Literature Base Writers-in-Residence program include promoting Taiwan literature and cultural creativity and facilitating relationships between creatives and the commercial sector. It is hoped that short-term residencies will help vitalize both domestic and international cultural and literary exchange, nurture creative literary talent in Taiwan, and reconstruct historical literary narratives.
- 2. Organizer:** National Museum of Taiwan Literature (NMTL)
- 3. Qualified applicants shall**
 - 3.1. be a natural person 18 years old or over;
 - 3.2. be able to communicate in one of Taiwan's nationally spoken languages or in English;
 - 3.3. not have been accepted for an NMTL residency in the last two years; and
 - 3.4. be a writer engaged in creative works across literary genres, including fiction, essay, poetry, drama, screenplays, literary translation, non-fiction, or cross-disciplinary literary works.
- 4. Residency accommodations**
 - 4.1. Location: NMTL Taiwan Literature Base (No. 2, Lane 53, Qidong Street, Zhongzheng District, Taipei City)
 - 4.2. Description: Selected writers may stay free of charge in the Muse Garden at the Taiwan Literature Base (TLB), which is a single Japanese-style dormitory house equipped with a reception room, study, bedroom, bathroom, and kitchen.
- 5. Residency Time Frame**
 - 5.1. The current residency year runs from August 13th, 2026 to July 31st, 2027. In their residency proposals, applicants may request a period of residency of between 7 and 30 days.
 - 5.2. The period from October 10th to November 20th, 2026, and February 1st to March 2nd, 2027, will be closed, and no residencies will be scheduled during this time.

6. Application Submissions: Applications may be submitted between April 10th and May 11th, 2026 only (UTC+8).

7. How to Apply

- 7.1. All applications must include: 1) A portfolio statement describing the applicant's creative practice and experience; 2) a residency proposal; and 3) at least one published (commercial or non-commercial) work.
- 7.2. Only online applications will be processed. After you complete the Writers-in-Residence application form on the official online registration platform (<https://event.culture.tw/mocweb/reg/NMTL/Index.init.ctr>), please submit copies of requested ID documents, a properly formatted digital copy of your residency proposal, and all other supporting materials to the same website before the deadline.
- 7.3. Submitted applications may not be revised. Incomplete or late applications as well as materials submitted that are not in line with program guidelines will not be considered. (The submission date will be determined based on the timestamp recorded by the website system when the applicant completes the application process.)

8. Selection Process

- 8.1. Preliminary review: The NMTL will conduct an initial review of each applicant's qualifications and submitted materials.
- 8.2. Final review: A selection committee of 3-5 members convened by the NMTL will conduct the final review.
- 8.3. After formal approval, the selection results will be publicly posted and the selected writers will be individually notified. Applicants who are not selected will not otherwise be notified. The names of the selection committee members will also be made public.

9. Residency

- 9.1. Residency Activities: The selected writers in residence must move into their assigned accommodations in accordance with their proposed residency schedule. They are expected to hold at least one reader engagement activity, such as a reader exchange or sharing session, on a weekend (Saturday or Sunday) each week during the residency. The activities details will be jointly determined by the NMTL and the selected writers.
- 9.2. Final Report: The selected writers in residence must submit a final report aligned with their proposed residency plan within five days after the residency ends. Failure to meet this deadline will result in a three-year disqualification from applying for the Writers-in-Residence Program.

10. Precautions

- 10.1. Selected writers in residence must sign a contract with the NMTL no later than the first day of residency. If unable to proceed or comply with the scheduled residency period, they must obtain prior approval from the NMTL for any changes. Failure to do so will be considered a forfeiture, and no objections will be accepted.
- 10.2. Selected writers in residence must fully commit to residency and provide a schedule before the start of their stay. If their actual stay is less than two-thirds of the approved residency period, their residency qualification will be revoked, and they will be ineligible to apply for the NMTL Writers-in-Residence program for the next three years.
- 10.3. Selected writers in residence must cooperate with the NMTL's promotional activities and participate in interviews and filming that document the residency activities.
- 10.4. Selected writers in residence shall guarantee that the submitted works and residency proposals to the NMTL do not infringe upon the rights of any third party. In the event of any infringement, the writer shall be solely responsible for resolving the matter. If such infringement results in damage to the NMTL or causes the NMTL to bear joint liability for compensation, the writer shall be fully liable for all related compensation.

- 10.5. Selected writers in residence may not concurrently participate in residency programs hosted by other agencies or organizations.
- 10.6. If the selected writers in residence violate the regulations of the "Operation Directions for Selecting Writers-in-Residence of Taiwan Literature Base of National Museum of Taiwan Literature", the terms of the contract, or any laws, administrative orders, public order, good morals, or engage in conduct that damages the institution's image, their selection may be revoked or terminated as deemed necessary.

No. _____ (Filled in by responsible authority)

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Residency Proposal Form

- Please fill in the following fields in "A4 Portrait with horizontal script, with Times New Roman font (English), MingLiU font (Sinograph), 12pt" respectively. Please fill in the following fields. You may expand the field boxes as required, **provided the full content of your residency proposal is limited to 5 pages total.**

Project Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Please enter the title of your writing project during this residency program.
Personal Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Under 200 words.
Past Works	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Please briefly describe your past works, history, or the experience of cross-disciplinary literary works.

<p style="text-align: center;">Residency Proposal</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● You must include how the creative writing project will be implemented, expected results, and how the results will be verified (e.g., word count, page count, etc.).
<p style="text-align: center;">Open Format and Planning Every Weekend</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Include a title for the entire event, titles for each sessions, number of participants (recommended up to 20 people), and descriptions of each open weekend activity. The number of activities should be planned according to the number of days applied for, e.g. for 7 days, one weekend activity should be planned, for 14 days, two weekend activities should be planned, so on and so forth.

<p>Attached Title and Description of the Work for Review</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Please attach at least one work to assist in the review and approval process, and fill in this field in the following order: 1) the title of the work to be reviewed; 2) the relevant description of the aforementioned work.
<p>I. I have carefully read and reviewed the "Operation Directions for Selecting Writers-in-Residence of Taiwan Literature Base of National Museum of Taiwan Literature", and have complied with said Operation Directions in submitting this application. I hereby declare that I shall follow the relevant provisions of the Operation Directions.</p> <p>II. I hereby declare that the information provided in the application form and the project form and the relevant attachments are true.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(signature)</p>	