

Braunschweig Projects 2026/2027: Artist Funding of the State of Lower Saxony at the Braunschweig University of Art (HBK Braunschweig)

++++ The deadline for applications is 5 October 2025 (date of receipt of e-mail) +++

Call for applications for fellowships to promote emerging artists

Braunschweig University of Art (HBK) is an artistic-scientific university with the right to award doctoral and post-doctoral qualifications. With around 1,000 students in the fields of fine arts, art education, performing arts, design, visual communication, art history and media studies, HBK Braunschweig is one of the largest art academies in Germany.

With the programme "Braunschweig Projects", HBK Braunschweig offers 7 artistic fellowships on behalf of the State of Lower Saxony for the year 2026/27:

- 5 scholarships in the field of fine arts
- 2 scholarships in the field of sound art

Braunschweig Projects are part of the university's and the state's promotion of young artists and also serve to internationalise HBK. They are aimed at artists who would like to work on a project in the immediate vicinity of HBK Braunschweig. With their project proposal, fellows should make a significant contribution towards the further development of forms of artistic practice.

All fellows will be assigned a mentor, who will help with the integration into university life. Mentors are fine arts professor and can be chosen by the fellows themselves. In addition, all professors of the fine arts department will be available for artistic discourse with the fellows. The university actively supports the mediation of contacts.

Fellows will have the opportunity to present the current status of their artistic project within the university. In addition, they are expected to participate in the Welcome Weeks (20 – 30 April 2026) and in a joint final presentation in January/February 2027.

Funding is provided in form of stipends in the amount of 1,500€ per month over a period of 12 months. A studio apartment in Braunschweig, designed for one person, will be available rent-free for the duration of the fellowship. A contribution of 200 € per month towards incidental living costs must be paid by the fellows. During the funding period, fellows are required to reside at HBK for at least 8 months during the lecture period in the summer and winter semesters. The funding period will begin on 1 April 2026. Fellows can move into their accommodation from 15 April 2026.

There will also be an allowance for project and travel costs. After deduction of the travel costs of all scholarship holders, the remaining amount will be divided among the fellows based on a project calculation and in consultation with the chosen mentor. The realisation of the contributions for the final exhibition as a joint project will be key.

A pre-requisite for a fellowship is a successfully completed art degree. The most recent studies must have been completed after 1 April 2015 and before 1 April 2022. Applicants must be able to show proof of extensive artistic practice and exhibition participation. A fellowship cannot be granted if the applicant is receiving regular benefits from third parties during the funding period (e.g. residence or salary payments or work scholarships) or a state subsidy.

Applications

Applications in German or English should be submitted using the application form with specific reference to one of the fellowship advertised above to the following e-mail no later than **5 October 2025**: application-bsprojects@hbk-bs.de (e-mail must be received by 11:59 pm, applications received after this will not be considered).

E-mails (RE: application-bsprojects / Braunschweig Projects 26/27 Sound Art <u>OR!</u> Visual Arts) should not exceed 15 MB, otherwise they will not be considered, and must contain the following documents:

- 1) Fully completed and signed application form with personal details, curriculum vitae and project description (approx. 3 pages) (PDF file, max. 1 MB/ file name: APF_ applicant name)
- 2) Evidence of artistic work: portfolio with any links to video and audio files of artistic works incl. password, if required (PDF file, max. 12 MB/ file name: Portfolio_applicant name)
- 3) Copy of graduation/degree certificate of most recent degree or certified translation in German

(PDF file, max. 1 MB/ file name: Degree_applicant name)

Send to: President Prof. Dr. Ana Dimke, HBK Braunschweig, Johannes-Selenka-Platz 1, D-38118 Braunschweig

Applications which do not meet the above requirements (complete documents, correct file types, file names, file sizes, e-mail receipt) will not be considered.

It is not possible to apply for both scholarships at the same time.

Application template (to be used)

• Application form / PDF / 187 kB