

OPEN CALL FOR CENTER ROG'S MAKERS IN RESIDENCY 2025 PROGRAMME

This year's Makers in Residency program welcomes all makers, innovators, and creatives eager to work on their projects at Center Rog. As the largest public creative hub in Europe, with nine specialized production labs, Center Rog offers a unique opportunity to create, share knowledge, experiment and expand your network.

Center Rog's residency programmes are an ideal opportunity to take your projects to the next level. With production labs dedicated to culinary, textiles, 3D printing, electronics, woodworking, metalworking, glass & ceramics, jewellery, and research of new materials and expert support from our mentors/technicians, there will be no limits to your creativity. If you're active in the areas of fabrication, handicrafts, product design, fashion, material engineering, or food design don't hesitate to apply.

You can choose between a 2-week long residency or a one-month long residency in which you will have time to test, prototype, examine, measure, experiment, verify, implement and much more.

We'll share our knowledge and skills, the use of all nine production labs is free of charge for the residency users. You will be able to expand your knowledge by attending different training courses of your choice for all the available state-of-the-art equipment. We will also provide you support from our highly skilled Lab managers and technological and design mentors who will be there to guide and help you with the development of your own projects.

We will be hosting you in one of our 5 residential apartments located on the 3rd floor of Center Rog (fully equipped, including towels and bedding).

Full list of labs and equipment is available here.

ABOUT CENTER ROG

Center Rog offers a unique creative environment for the implementation of innovative projects in the field of manufacturing, design, architecture, urban crafts, applied arts and cuisine. We support all sorts of creatives and makers in their endeavours to tackle the burning challenges of the 21st century.

The Rog factory, which produced the iconic Rog bicycles, is the most important piece of 20th century industrial heritage in Ljubljana today. Owing to both the way it is being restored and the programme of Center Rog, its original function will be retained, and revamped for today's needs.



Center Rog will offer 8,500 m2 of creative space along with related programmes, and a new 8,000 m2 (edible) park available for citizens' daily use and public events.

At Center Rog, we are dedicated to fostering a thriving community of makers, thinkers, and creators who are driven by a shared mission: to bring innovative ideas to life and make a positive impact on society.

ABOUT THE MAKERS IN RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

The programme offers either a two-week long or a one-month-long residency for an international community of makers, designers, craftspeople, experts, and engineers who would like to pedal their ideas into tangible prototypes or products.

- Open call expected deadline: 5 JANUARY 2025
- Implementation: Between January and December 2025
- Duration: 2 weeks or 1 month (indicate in application form)
- What we offer:
 - O Free accommodation in our residential studios.
 - O Free access to all nine production labs for the duration of the residency to work on your own projects.
 - O Free training courses for all the available equipment.
 - O Free support and individual consultations from our Lab managers and mentors with the implementation of your project (up to 10 mentorship hours)
 - O In case of selecting the one-month residency you will receive a fee of €500 to cover the costs of your choice (travel costs, visa costs, material costs, daily subsistence), in case of selecting a two-week residency you will have to cover your own travel costs. This open call can be combined with other funding like Culture Moves Europe etc.

What we expect in return:

In the case of selecting the one-month long residency we would like the selected participant to conduct a public programme of her/his choice for the community of Center Rog - this can be a hands-on workshop or course, or a lecture connected to your area of expertise and the project you will be developing in Center Rog. Center Rog will cover the material cost for implementing the proposed public programme.

In the case of selecting a two-week residency we don't expect anything in return.

• Who can apply?



- O Legal entities under private law; individuals with a registered activity: sole trader, part-time sole trader, limited liability company, private institution, association, cooperative. You should be able to issue an invoice.
- O People with good command of English language.

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply through the form on our website where you will also need to upload the following documents:

- CV,
- Recommendation letter from a FabLab or a Maker Space,
- Presentation of the project you wish to develop in Center Rog (max. 3 pages, 1 page with a text, 1 page with a technical sketch, 1 page with visual material (a photo or a render),
- In case of selecting the one-month long residency upload the proposal for your public programme (please note that the public programme will be finalized with our project manager and can be slightly adjusted).

The deadline for the application process is the 5th of January, midnight CET.

If you have any further questions regarding the residency or any issues with the application, please contact Maja Towndrow: <u>maja.towndrow@center-rog.si</u>.