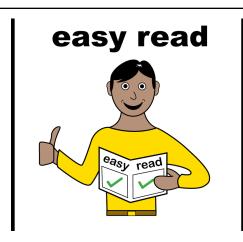


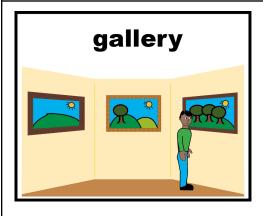


Emergent 2025 Residency Application Apply now!

Deadline: 11:59 PM, Sunday 10 August 2025



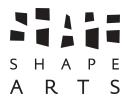
This is the Baltic and Shape Arts Easy Read document for disabled artists interested in our Emergent residency programme.

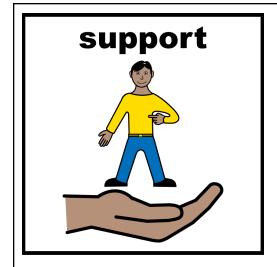


About Baltic

We are an art gallery in Gateshead. We create exhibitions, events, activities and opportunities for artists.

Baltic website





About Shape Arts

We are a disability-led arts organisation. We offer support and opportunities for disabled artists.

Shape Arts website



Who does the residency support?

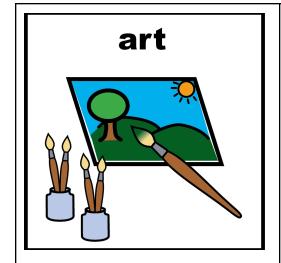
Disabled artists who are in the beginning of their career, but not in full-time education.

This usually means you are in the first five years of your career.



We understand this isn't the same for everyone.

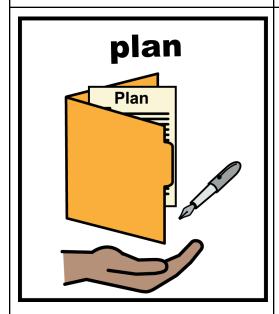




This residency is an opportunity to have time to work on new ideas and artworks.

This could be any kind, including:

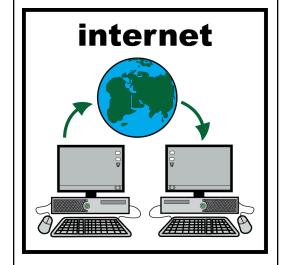
- Drawing and painting
- Performance
- Ceramics
- Film
- Digital art
- Sculpture



What should I expect in the opportunity?

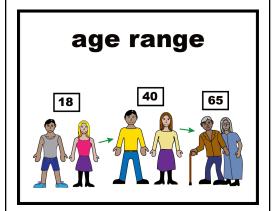
- Support sessions with the Shape Arts and Baltic team
- Time to research and make new work
- Opportunity to share your work in-person or online





The residency will be online for two months. For example, by using Zoom.

The middle month will be in-person at Baltic in Gateshead.



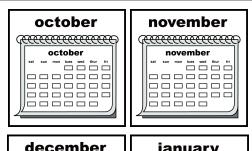
Who can apply?

You must be aged **18** years old or over to apply.

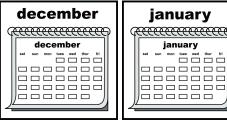


You must live in the UK.

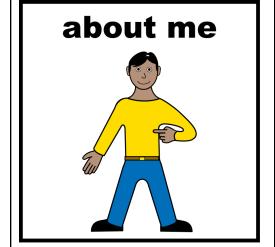




You must be available from mid-October 2025 until mid-January 2026 to be selected.



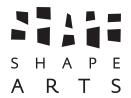
You can apply if you are disabled.

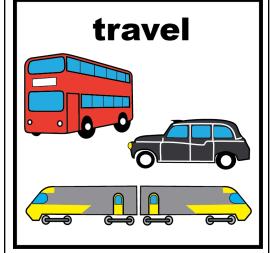


We will ask you about what barriers and career challenges you face in the application.



The selected artist will receive an award of £5,000 (five thousand pounds).





We will pay for travel and accommodation for the residency.

We also can cover costs connected to your access needs.

You can share access riders or information with us if you are selected.



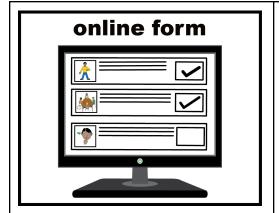
Shortlisted artists

How many artists are selected?

The residency is for 1 artist.

A small group of artists will also be selected for a shortlist. They will receive free support sessions from Shape Arts and Baltic.





How to apply

Complete the online application form through submittable:

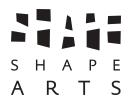
Click here for the online form

You will need to complete all of the sections in the application form before sending it to us.



We will ask some questions in the application.

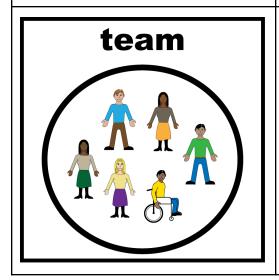
- Can you tell us about you and your work?
- What barriers do you face as an artist?
- Can you provide examples of your work?





The deadline for applications is 11:59 PM, Sunday 10 August 2025.

You can send it before then, or any time that day.



The artists will be chosen by the Baltic and Shape Arts teams together.





We will contact every artist who applied after the deadline with their decision.

We plan to have interviews in August.



If you are successful

We will talk with you in September to prepare.

The residency starts in October 2025.

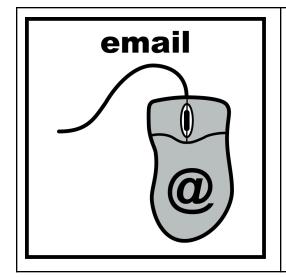


Getting help to apply

You can contact us for help.

You can send an application by audio recording or video if you wish.





Get in touch

Email:

<u>exhibitions@shapearts.org.uk</u> if you have more questions.

