



OPEN CALL 2025

In Trofaiach in Upper Styria

01. – 30. September 2025

Application deadline: 10. May 2025

Announcement of the results: 19. May 2025

Barfuß am Abriss Residency

We are excited to announce the third residency of the collective Barfuß am Abriss, and we warmly invite you to be part of it!

In September 2025, the residency will take place in two vacant buildings in the city center of Trofaiach, Upper Styria. Our aim is to connect artists and enable them to work site-specific away from traditional institutions, like museums, galleries or universities. Important for us is the connection with the local community – whether it be through workshops, communal cooking, events, performances, or your own initiated ideas.

Who we are looking for:

People who are excited and feel encouraged to shape this time with us. The more diverse, the more exciting! Whether you come from the visual arts, dance, cooking, permaculture, circus, music, film, ceramics, language mediation, agriculture, architecture, or theatre – we also warmly welcome those who may not come from conventional artistic fields but still feel spoken to. Both individuals as well as collectives are invited to apply!

What to expect:

- Two vacant buildings with diverse, inspiring spaces for work
- Accommodation with basic facilities, including a kitchen and bathroom
- Food in the form of shared, self-cooked meals
- Exchange with inspiring artists, neighbours, and the local scene
- Connections to local arts and cultural institutions
- Self-organised events, concerts, and workshops
- Materials for artistic work
- a great time! :-)

Organisational Details

The residency is self-organised and depends on financial funding. We will do our best to support all participants financially, that is why we decided to limit ourselves to 9 participants this year - the final budget is still unclear. With our current funds, we are able to cover accommodation and food, as well as travel costs upon request. However, you will need to organise your own sleeping bag, sleeping mat, pillow, blankets, mattress, etc.

Participants are also warmly invited to actively contribute to the structure and shared life on-site—whether through skill-sharing, workshops, events, cooking, baking cakes, or any other ideas that come to mind! If you already have project ideas and would need funding for them, feel free to let us know.

Application:

If you'd like to be part, please send us:

- A short description of yourself and what you do
- A motivation letter in free form (ex. raps, poems, magic spells, written from the perspective of your alter-ego insect...)
- A portfolio with 3-5 work samples

Send your application via email to:

kollektiv-barfuss@protonmail.com

Subject line: Residency 2025 _ [First name _ Last name _ or Collective name]

We explicitly distance ourselves from any form of hate speech and discrimination, including FLINTA*-hostile, racist, ableist, or otherwise offensive positions. These applications won't be considered.

Off with the post!

We look forward to your applications!

Yours,

collective Barfuß am Abriss

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Should you have any questions, dont hesitate! feel free to write as an email or call Simon! Simon +43 664/9653042