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# **Call for applications 2026**

## **DALÍ FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME**

### **Gala-Salvador Dalí Foundation**

The purpose of the Gala-Salvador Dalí Foundation – hereinafter, FGSD – is to provide current and future generations with a holistic vision of life through the enjoyment and knowledge of art. The Foundation, with Dalí's work as its central axis, aims to create a platform for personal enrichment, stimulating emotions and curiosity, with the conviction that art contributes to a better understanding of the meaning of our existence.

Therefore, its mission is to promote, foster, disseminate, honour, defend and safeguard –throughout the world– his work, his assets and rights, his life experience, his thoughts and concerns, his artistic, intellectual and cultural creation, and the impact he has had on the fine arts, culture and contemporary thought.

### **Introduction**

In line with the FGSD's purpose and mission, the Dalí Fellowship Programme's general objectives are, among others, to:

- Generate alliances with nationally and internationally-recognized universities and institutions.
- Promote research into the work and thought of Salvador Dalí.
- Develop quality projects.
- Receive and transfer knowledge through researchers and scholars of national and international repute.

And additionally,

- Appear publicly as new actors in culture from a global perspective.
- Promote the FGSD's international recognition and contribute to improving its prestige.

## **RULES FOR PARTICIPATION**

### **1. Object**

The object of this call is to award two (2) individual fellowships to researchers and scholars for the development of research projects, preferably in the following thematic areas:

- Dalí, architecture and scenography.
- Dalí and performance.
- Dalí and science.
- Dalí and material culture.
- Dalí and fashion.
- Echoes of Dalí in contemporary art.

Projects in other areas will be accepted as long as they deal with less studied aspects of the artist.

During the course of the project for which funding is sought, fellowship holders are expected to give it preferential attention with respect to other research or creative projects.

### **2. Fellowship Duration and Amount**

Each fellowship will last for six (6) consecutive months. Exceptionally, fellowships may be awarded for a shorter period provided that the fellow has duly justified the reasons for a shorter availability.

The amount of each fellowship is set at eighteen thousand euros (€18,000), in the case of a fellowship duration of 6 months.

These are residential fellowships. Fellows must reside in the Figueres area for the 6 months and carry out their research project activities for a minimum of 4 of the 6 months at the FGSD headquarters in Figueres.

Fellows may receive a one-off supplement (maximum €2,000) for travel expenses. If possible, an apartment will be reserved for the fellows, free of rent but with charges for

utilities. If no apartment is available, a housing supplement will be offered to help cover rental costs.

If the fellow is international, he/she is responsible for obtaining a visa, if necessary, a residence permit and medical insurance (and, if applicable, those of accompanying family members). The fellow must determine whether a visa is required and, if so, obtain it before the trip. The FGSD can provide support for procedures that are strictly necessary.

All fellowships will be subject to withholding and other taxes stipulated in current legislation, which will be deducted from the corresponding monetary amount.

The granting of this scholarship does not entail the establishment of any contractual or statutory relationship, nor will it entail any employment relationship between the fellow and the FGSD.

In no event should these fellowships be considered awards or prizes for already completed projects.

In cases where the fellow is attached to a university, research centre, museum or other institution, the above amount will be provided in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations.

In addition to the financial aid, the FGSD offers:

- Guidance by a specialist from the FGSD related to the project's thematic area.
- Access to the FGSD's documentary, bibliographic and digital resources and databases.
- A workspace at the FGSD offices.
- Dissemination and visibility of the project through the FGSD's communication media. Includes websites, social networks and press releases.
- Support and advice on possible publication of the work.

### 3. Applicant Prerequisites and Eligibility

Prerequisites and eligibility for participating in this call are as follows:

1. Applicants must be individual researchers and scholars. This call is not open to legal persons of any kind, including associations, partnerships or grouping of applicants under any other type of associative formula.
2. Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree.
3. Candidates from any nationality are eligible.
4. Candidates must submit both the application and their project in Catalan, Spanish or English.
5. Candidates may be linked to a university, a research centre, a museum or other institution.
6. If the project submitted is to be carried out through a university, research centre, museum or another institution, the applicant must be affiliated with that centre at the time of signing the Fellowship Acceptance Statement.
7. The fellowship applied for must be the primary and preferably sole source of funding for the project proposed in this call. In the event that any other funding has been sought or obtained for the submitted project, this should be expressly stated in the application form, identifying the source, amount and object of said funding.

### 4. Application and Documentation

Candidates must submit their applications online through the form available on the FGSD website: <https://www.salvador-dali.org/en/dali-foundation/scholarship-program/dali-fellowship-programme/>. The application can be submitted in Catalan, Spanish or English.

Candidates must attach the following documentation with the application:

- Personal Information:
  - Copy of passport, or ID card if the candidate is a citizen of the European Union.
  - Personal contact and notification details: Full name and surname. Date of birth. Town of birth. Country of Birth. Nationality. Town and country of current place of residence. Contact e-mail address. Mobile phone number.
- Academic and professional curriculum vitae.
- A cover letter stating the candidate's motivation for undertaking the proposed research project (maximum 400 words).

- A project summary of a maximum of 1,500 words, in which the candidates include:
  - A description of the proposed research project in one of the thematic areas mentioned in section 1, whose originality and innovative nature will be taken into account.
  - Objectives to be achieved during the stay.
  - A rough timetable for the project to be carried out that includes partial milestones.
- Two (2) reference letters from university professors, researchers or other relevant people with whom candidates have had academic or professional contact. Candidates are advised to inform them as soon as possible that the FGSD will contact them through an online procedure.
- Certification from the university, research centre, museum or other institution, where the candidates are currently employed, if applicable.
- Academic certifications:
  - Academic certification of the required bachelor's degree, issued by a university, indicating the discipline studied.
  - Certification of doctoral thesis (degree and university), if applicable.

All documentation supporting the alleged merits must be written in Catalan, Spanish or English. If this is not the case, a sworn translation must be provided.

All documentation must be received by the FGSD prior to the application deadline. Once the application is completed, the candidate will receive a confirmation receipt.

## **5. Submission Period**

The submissions period will run from December 10, 2025 to January 25, 2026 at 14:00, Spanish standard time.

## 6. Evaluation and Monitoring Committee

A Committee will be set up that will evaluate the applications submitted by applying the assessment criteria set out in these rules, will assign the fellowships based on the criteria set out in these rules, and will subsequently monitor the activities of the fellows.

The Evaluation and Monitoring Committee will be composed of:

- The President: Estrella de Diego.
- 2 members of the FGSD: Laura Bartolomé and Jordi Artigas.
- 2 external members, of recognized international prestige in the thematic areas mentioned in Section 1: Jordana Mendelson and Andrés Jaque.

## 7. Selection Process

The process consists of three parts:

- 7.1. Eligibility check:** all applications received are screened to ensure that they comply with formal requirements. Eligibility will be checked based on the information provided by the applicant. Only applications that fulfil all the criteria will be included in the evaluation phase.
- 7.2. Shortlisting:** each eligible application is sent to an Evaluation and Monitoring Committee. The applications that receive the highest ratings will pass on to the next phase.
- 7.3. Interviews:** The candidates whose applications have passed the shortlisting stage will be invited for a face-to-face or remote interview. The interviews will be conducted by the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee. Interviews will be entirely in Spanish or English.

## 8. Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be evaluated according to each candidate's merit, not penalising candidates with career breaks or younger candidates. The evaluation criteria and scores defined to achieve this goal are:

- Shortlisting phase:
  1. Excellence of Curriculum Vitae (weight 50%):
  2. Motivation and research project (weight 50%): assessing originality, innovation and potential impact of the proposed project, and the consistency of the candidate's personal statement.
- Interview phase
  1. Academic and professional career (weight 50%): quality of the contributions made to the chosen field, candidate's experience in research management, consistency between the candidate's academic background and track record. Interdisciplinary careers will be positively valued if they reflect the candidate's clear motivations.
  2. Candidate's potential (weight 30%): the Committee will pay attention to "soft" skills, such as clear, consistent messages and communication of ideas, ability to present complex reasoning, team work and capabilities such as independent reasoning, originality, innovation, entrepreneurship and leadership.
  3. Motivation and impact of the project (weight 20%): conceptual and methodological novelty of the project as well as its originality, feasibility and impact on society and the researcher's career.

## **9. Appeals Procedure and Appointment of Candidates**

Based on the criteria expressed in the previous paragraphs, the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee will issue the resolution of the call, which will be publicly announced no later than March 25, 2026.

Once the call has been resolved, the list of fellows will be posted on the FGSD website, <https://www.salvador-dali.org/en/dali-foundation/scholarship-program/dali-fellowship-programme/>. There will be no further correspondence or communication with applicants who were not among those selected. No itemized or individual information will be provided on the submissions received or the evaluation committee deliberations.

Within seven calendar days from the date the notification of results is sent, candidates may submit an appeal by sending an e-mail to [fellowships@fundaciodalí.org](mailto:fellowships@fundaciodalí.org) . which must include an explanatory text together with any documents the candidates deem appropriate. An appeals committee will hear appeals. Their decision will be communicated by e-mail within ten calendar days from the date of receipt of the

appeal. The appeals procedure will be strictly confidential. The appeals procedure will look at procedural shortcomings and possible errors, not at the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee decisions. The selection and evaluation process themselves guarantee the independence and objectivity of the evaluation.

Should any fellowships be rejected, they will be offered to the candidates on the waiting list in the order established.

This call for fellowship applications may be declared partially or totally void, if the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee deems so.

## **10. Formal Documentation**

The fellows must sign the Acceptance Statement furnished by the FGSD before April 10, 2026.

If the fellow is attached to a university, research centre, museum or another institution, the centre in question must sign a further document with the terms and conditions of the funding.

The signing of the Acceptance Statement by the fellow and, if applicable, of the funding terms and conditions on the part of administering centre will be a non-negotiable prerequisite for payment of the fellowship.

## **11. Financial Endowment and Payment**

The amount of each fellowship will be paid at the end of each monthly due period, in proportion to the time the fellowship is effective. All payments will be subject to the corresponding withholdings for personal income tax and Social Security.

The amount paid to the fellow is by no means a salary or remuneration.

## **12. Deadline for Completion and Justification of Compliance with the Purpose of the Fellowship**



The fellows must submit an executive report on the progress of the research project every two months. Once the report is completed, the fellows will meet (in person or online) with the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee, which will offer advice and support to continue developing the project.

At the end of the fellowship period (6 months), the fellows will send a final descriptive report of the activities carried out and the results associated with the research project to the FGSD within 30 calendar days. This report must be signed by the fellow, and, if applicable, the tutor of the university, research centre, museum or institution.

### **13. Fellow Obligations**

In order to be a fellow, candidates must accept, in all its terms, the content of this call and its result, as well as commit to comply with the following obligations:

- a) Join the FGSD within the period established in the notification of the grant award and carry out the activity that is the basis for the award.
- b) Participate in the academic life of the FGSD:
  - Propose at least one academic activity at the Museum (conference, seminar), which will be assessed and decided by the Museum's Artistic Directorate.
  - Submit an article on the research carried out, subject to assessment, for publication.
  - Attend the conferences and seminars organized by the FGSD.
- c) Prepare and present a final report on their experience and activities carried out during the period they received the scholarship, reflecting the knowledge acquired, the projects in which they have participated and the results obtained.
- d) Proceed to reimburse the funds received in the case of:
  - Failure to carry out the activities to be affected during the scholarship period.
  - Failure to submit the final descriptive report on the activities carried out and the results achieved in the research project.
- e) If circumstances arise during the course of the project that entail a significant change in the latter, the fellow must immediately notify the FGSD, which will inform the interested party of its acceptance or rejection of said change after consultation with the Evaluation and Monitoring Committee

## **14. Confidentiality and Fellowship Research Rights**

The fellows will retain the intellectual property rights of all their projects.

The FGSD may request the collaboration of the fellows in activities to disseminate the results of the funded project. In the event of such a request, the fellowship holder will provide the FGSD with all relevant information and materials and will grant the appropriate rights, free of charge, for the project's results to be publicized through the FGSD website, or similar channels, signing any authorizations to this effect required by the FGSD.

Fellows under this call must mention the fellowship received in all materials or results deriving from the project, using the formula: "Project carried out with a 2026 Dalí Fellowship from the FGSD", including, whenever possible, the FGSD logo.

## **15. Privacy and Data Protection Policy**

Applicants will be duly informed, within the framework of the registration process, about the processing of their personal data, as well as about the exercise of their rights regarding the protection of personal data in accordance with the provisions of Article 13 and following of the General Data Protection Regulation of Spain.

The FGSD, with its registered office at Torre Galatea, Pujada del Castell, 28, 17600 Figueres, Girona, acts as the Data Controller for the processing of personal data for the resolution of doubts and queries in this call for applications. The legal basis for the processing is the execution of a contract, at the request of the applicant. Personal data will be retained until the expiry of the applicable statute of limitations. The data will only be disclosed for the purpose of fulfilling legal obligations, as well as to third party providers acting in their capacity as data processors. Access to such data by technology providers located outside the European Economic Area is subject to all required legal safeguards. You may request further information or exercise your rights of access, rectification, suppression, limitation, portability and opposition before the Data Protection Officer of the FGSD. You can also file a complaint with the Spanish Data Protection Agency ([www.aepd.es](http://www.aepd.es)).

## **16. Acceptance of the Call's Terms and Conditions by the Fellows**

Submission of an application for the present fellowship implies express acceptance by candidates of all the rules, requirements and terms and conditions contained herein, as well as acceptance of the criteria and decisions that the FGSD may use or make when responding to any doubts about how to interpret the said rules, requirements and terms and conditions.

## **17. Entry into Force**

This call will enter into force on the day following its publication.

## **18. Contact Information**

For inquiries relating to this call, interested parties may contact the FGSD at the following email address: [fellowships@fundaciodalí.org](mailto:fellowships@fundaciodalí.org)