



ALLOCATION OF FUNDING: SCHOLARSHIPS & RESIDENCIES 2021

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**Dear musicians,
dear media and press representatives,**

for the ninth year in a row, Musicboard Berlin, together with an independent jury, is awarding scholarships and residencies to pop musicians and bands who live and work in Berlin.

The Senate Department for Culture and Europe is significantly strengthening existing scholarship programmes as announced in its [press release](#) of March 23, 2021. In line with this, Musicboard Berlin is pleased to be able to double the funding budget for scholarships in this funding round. In addition, we would like to inform you that the Support-Tour Funding programme will be suspended in favour of the Scholarships & Residencies programme in the funding year 2021. Furthermore, the second application deadline for additional selected residencies and the two Hinterhalt Commissions, scheduled for June 1, 2021, will be postponed to July 15, 2021.

SCHOLARSHIPS & RESIDENCIES

This year, with a total of 564 applications, Musicboard Berlin has received more applications than ever and we are happy to be able to support 88 great musicians and bands through scholarships with a total amount of about 410.700,00 euros.

In addition, six Berlin musicians will receive international residencies as well as two-part tandem-residencies in [Paris](#), [Marseille](#), [Panicale](#), [Kampala](#), [Havana](#) and [Tel Aviv](#). Due to the Covid-19 situation, the residencies can only be awarded with reservation.

Six of this year's scholarship holders will also receive individual [musician and band coaching](#).

In 2021, the following artists will receive a Musicboard Scholarship:

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Artist / Band	Funding	Artist / Band	Funding
21 Downbeat	8.000,00 €	junk-E-cat	4.000,00 €
24/7 Diva Heaven	4.000,00 €	Juno Francis	4.000,00 €
Æ	4.000,00 €	Kaala	7.000,00 €
Anoki	8.000,00 €	KOKA	4.000,00 €
A Tribute to February Montaine	4.000,00 €	Kya KYani	5.000,00 €
Ava Bonam	4.000,00 €	La By'le	4.700,00 €
Ava Vegas	4.000,00 €	Lady Maru	4.000,00 €
AÿA- Avia Shoshani	4.000,00 €	Laura Elle	5.000,00 €
AZZURRA	4.000,00 €	Lianne Hall	4.000,00 €
BANTUNAGOJÉJE	4.000,00 €	Lotic	6.000,00 €
Banu	8.000,00 €	Lukas Oppenheimer	3.700,00 €
Batila	5.000,00 €	Maggot Heart	4.000,00 €
Black Skin Lover Boy	4.000,00 €	Maous	4.500,00 €
Blazey	7.000,00 €	Masha The Rich Man	4.000,00 €
B O K E H	4.000,00 €	Ment	4.000,00 €
Breezy	6.000,00 €	Mesu Diye	7.000,00 €
canelonely	3.500,00 €	Monibi	6.700,00 €
Chabezo	6.000,00 €	Mor Elian	4.000,00 €
Chimp Hardy	4.000,00 €	Mulay	7.000,00 €
Christin Nichols	5.000,00 €	Mynolia	3.800,00 €
Corinne	4.000,00 €	Nishad Pandey	4.000,00 €
Cuntroaches	4.000,00 €	Onirologia	4.000,00 €
Danube	4.000,00 €	Pan Daijing	7.000,00 €
DASCO	4.000,00 €	Poison Arrow	4.000,00 €
Das Rattenkabinett	4.000,00 €	Raz Ohara	4.000,00 €
Eat my fear	7.000,00 €	RCSE	4.000,00 €
EERA	4.000,00 €	RIIVA	4.000,00 €
Enda Gallery	4.000,00 €	ROSEMARINE	2.900,00 €
Erregung Öffentlicher Erregung	4.000,00 €	Sera Kalo	4.000,00 €
Feels Trip & Bukowski	4.000,00 €	SMATKA	4.000,00 €
Friedberg	5.000,00 €	Stella	4.000,00 €
Gaddafi Gals	5.000,00 €	Steve Mekoudja	2.000,00 €
Gianni Mae	7.000,00 €	stockdale	4.000,00 €

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goldenair	4.000,00 €	Tellavision	2.300,00 €
Golden Diskó Ship	4.000,00 €	Tender Games	4.000,00 €
Gregor Dys	4.000,00 €	The SWAG	4.000,00 €
Grinderteeth	8.000,00 €	Vamp Acid	4.000,00 €
Hani Mojtahedy	5.000,00 €	Valentin Ginies	4.000,00 €
Happy New Tears	3.600,00 €	Wanja Janeva	4.000,00 €
IXXF	4.000,00 €	Wizzy	4.000,00 €
JAGUWAR	5.000,00 €	Wyoming	4.000,00 €
Jamila Al-Yousef	7.000,00 €	YAEL	7.000,00 €
Jembaa Groove	4.000,00 €	Yetundey	6.000,00 €
Johnny Kulo	6.000,00 €	yunis	4.000,00 €

In 2021, the following artists will receive an international residency:

Artist	Residency Location
OY	Le Plan, Ris-Orangis/Paris, France
Doll Face fka Dorothy Parker	A.M.I., Marseille, France
Haiyti	Panicale, Italy
Ale Hop	Kampala, Uganda
Gozi	Havana, Cuba
N.N.	Tel Aviv, Israel – currently still in selection process

The scholarships and residencies were recommended by a jury of Berlin pop experts, consisting of Julia Lorenz (editor and author), Pamela Owusu-Brenyah (freelance A&R, music consultant, curator Pop-Kultur Festival), Sarah Farina (DJ and producer), Elia Rediger (artist, dramatist) and Katja Lucker (Managing Director of Musicboard Berlin GmbH).

The jury remarks: »One could assume that Berlin's artists are tired in the second year of the pandemic: tired of being musicians under corona circumstances, tired of being forced to remain visible, solvent and confident without performance opportunities. But instead, the Musicboard jury witnessed a very strong - and wide awake - vintage of applicants. We are impressed by the strength and independence of the 88 artists, whether newcomers or established musicians, that Musicboard will support with a scholarship or residency this year. The fact that women and non-binary people, BIPOC and queer artists continue to shape Berlin's music scene in such a visionary way gives us as the jury hope that even the pandemic cannot destroy Berlin's diverse pop landscape.«

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ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR ARTISTS IN 2021

This year, there will be a **second application** deadline for additional selected residencies as well as the two Hinterhalt Commissions, awarded in cooperation with Deutsche Oper Berlin. Due to the current dynamic Covid-19 situation, the application deadline originally scheduled for June 1, 2021, will be **postponed to July 15, 2021**.

The **Support-Tour Funding** programme will be **suspended** in favour of the Scholarships & Residencies programme and is expected to restart in 2022.

Further information on this year's scholarship holders will soon be available on the [Musicboard website](#).

Sincerely,

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