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Vera Michalski-Hoffmann created the Jan Michalski Foundation for Writing and Literature in her husband's memory to perpetuate their common commitment to those who devote themselves to the written word.

The mission of the Jan Michalski Foundation is to foster literary creation and encourage the practice of reading through a range of initiatives and activities. These include mounting exhibitions and cultural events that have a connection with writing and literature, making a large multilingual library available to the public, awarding an annual prize in world literature, granting financial support, and hosting a writer-in-residence program since 2017.

An original group of seven housing units, called "treehouses," suspended from the lattice canopy roof joining the different buildings of the place, hosts authors from all over the world, whether beginner or well-established, for periods of two weeks, to six consecutive months.

The Jan Michalski Foundation was originally imagined as a small community sheltered beneath a canopy and completely surrounded by nature, an inspirational setting at the foot of the Jura Mountains in Switzerland. Today it offers a unique communal venue that is turned outward to the world at large: a place where writers, artists, and the public come together.

Jan Michalski Foundation residences for writers: applications open for 2018 session

We are pleased to inform you that applications for the residences 2018 are open from 1st May until 14th July 2017. A committee of experts will consider the application forms and choose the future residents as of October 2017. The selected candidates will be welcomed between February and December 2018.

Residences are available for all types of writers engaged in literary creation. While we give priority to writers and translators, we are also open to any other discipline as long as writing is at the heart of the project. Stays in the Jan Michalski Foundation can be granted for individual projects or projects in pairs.

The Foundation covers residents' travel costs and grants a monthly stipend of CHF 1200. Residents can also participate in cultural activities organized by the Foundation.

You will find the 2018 application form, available from 1st May to 14th July 2017, as well as further information about the residences here:

<http://www.fondation-janmichalski.com/en/residence-pour-ecrivains/devenir-resident/>

We remain at your disposition should you have any questions:

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