

# Guidelines for the Wikipedia Residency at Konvent

## Editing as an Act of Love



### 1. Introduction

On the occasion of the **25th anniversary of Wikipedia**, Konvent de Cal Rosal, in collaboration with Amical Wikimedia and Art+Feminism Barcelona, is hosting a residency for Wikipedians that understands editing as a cultural, political, and affective practice.

Under the title *Editing as an Act of Love*, the residency offers a time and space to think about and practice Wikipedia editing as a form of care for collective memory: a slow, situated, and collaborative task that requires responsibility, judgment, and attention to absences and omissions.

The residency builds on an ongoing line of work that understands Wikipedia and free knowledge projects as key infrastructures at a time when the privatization of digital ecosystems threatens our collective ability to ask questions, verify sources, and build knowledge autonomously. In this context, editing becomes a critical practice: a way of sustaining open spaces for thought, memory, and access to knowledge.

## 2. Residency Goals

The residency aims to:

- Provide an intensive working environment for editing and improving Wikipedia content.
- Focus on biographies, practices, knowledge, and genealogies that remain underrepresented across fields of knowledge, with particular attention to the systemic biases that shape the encyclopedic project.
- Understand editing as a situated cultural practice that combines rigor, critical awareness, and collective care.
- Work across the Wikimedia ecosystem – Wikipedia, Wikidata, Wikimedia Commons (image creation and uploads), and other free knowledge initiatives – understanding them as interconnected spaces for producing and preserving collective memory.
- Share tools, methodologies, and strategies for sustaining editing practices in environments that are often hostile or exclusionary.
- Foster community among Wikipedians and cultural practitioners through a shared environment of exchange and collaboration.

No fixed outcome or specific number of articles is required. Particular value will be placed on the process, shared reflection, and the quality of the work carried out.

## 3. Who Can Apply

The call is open to:

- Wikipedia editors (with or without prior experience).
- People working in cultural, educational, artistic, or research contexts with an interest in free knowledge.
- Individuals whose trajectories or experiences bring diverse and situated perspectives, particularly those relevant for identifying and avoiding the reproduction of structural biases and absences in digital ecosystems.

This is a situated call that engages with a specific linguistic ecosystem – the Catalan-speaking territories – while remaining open to the world. Representation and participation from across the Catalan-speaking regions will be valued, as well as perspectives from national and international contexts that enrich dialogue, contextual diversity, and editing practices.

Both ongoing and new projects will be considered, provided they demonstrate a clear trajectory, line of interest, and objectives aligned with the goals of the residency.

The call is open to all interested participants. Personal or family circumstances – such as parenthood or caregiving responsibilities – will not constitute grounds for exclusion. We especially encourage parents and families to apply. Participants with specific needs related to care or accessibility may contact the organizers to explore possible accommodations.

## 4. Duration and Dates

Duration: 15 consecutive days

Dates: August 3–16, 2026

Participants: 8–10 residents

## 5. Working Methodology

The residency will combine:

Individual and collective time dedicated to Wikipedia editing.

Shared sessions for review, mutual support, and discussion of editorial challenges and conflicts.

Spaces for reflection on neutrality, notability, sources, and structural bias.

Informal moments of care, rest, and shared exchange.

The use of generative AI tools may be part of the process as occasional and critical support, in accordance with Wikipedia best practices and with a clear awareness of their limitations, biases, and ecological impact.

## 6. What the Residency Provides

- Accommodation at Konvent (shared or individual room depending on availability).
- Workspaces and internet connection.
- Access to a shared kitchen.
- Guidance and mediation from the organizing team.
- Free participation in Konvent's public activities during the residency.

The residency is free of charge, but it does not cover travel expenses, food, or specific materials.

## 7. Commitments of Residents

Selected participants commit to:

Actively participating in the collective life of the residency.

Respecting the spaces, people, and rhythms of Konvent.

Contributing to a safe environment free from sexist, racist, LGBTQ-phobic, ableist, or any other forms of discrimination.

Knowing and complying with the Wikimedia Foundation's Universal Code of Conduct (UCoC) and Amical Wikimedia's Anti-Harassment Protocol, adopting their principles and procedures as a framework for coexistence and shared responsibility during the residency.

Sharing processes, questions, and learning with other residents, understanding the residency as a collective space for practicing and caring for free knowledge.

## 8. Public Presentation

At the end of the residency, an open gathering will take place where residents may share their processes, edited articles, editorial dilemmas, or reflections that emerged during the stay. This presentation will not take the form of a finished work but rather a shared moment of reflection.

## 9. Application

Applicants must submit the following [through an online form](#):

- Short biography (max. 800 words).
- Motivation letter explaining your interest in the residency and the editing topics you would like to work on (max. 800 words). Please include a link to your Wikipedia profile (if applicable) or a brief description of your previous experience.

Conciseness and clarity are encouraged.

## 10. Selection

Participants will be selected by a committee composed of representatives from Konvent, Amical Wikimedia, and Art+Feminism Barcelona.

The selection process will promote principles of equity, diversity, and inclusion, with particular attention to the diversity of experiences, trajectories, and perspectives. In cases of equivalent merit, priority may be given to underrepresented profiles in order to avoid reproducing structural biases and omissions.

The following will be particularly valued:

- Alignment with the residency's objectives.
- Commitment to feminist editing practices and free knowledge.
- Diversity of profiles, experiences, and lines of interest.
- Representation from different Catalan-speaking territories, while maintaining openness to participants and projects from national and international contexts.

Results will be communicated by email.

## 11. Acceptance of the Terms

Participation in this call implies full acceptance of these terms and conditions, as well as the community guidelines and space-use rules of Konvent, and adherence to the Wikimedia Foundation Friendly Space Policy, which establishes a framework of respect, care, and zero tolerance for harassment.



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