



# Schloss Weißenbrunn Stiftung

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## INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS

### **2023 Artist-in-Residence Programme for Baroque Ensembles with Spinet (Neil Stewart, Edinburgh 1768)**

In 2023, the Artist-in-Residence Programme offered by the Schloss Weißenbrunn Foundation will be for Baroque ensembles with spinet (Neil Stewart, Edinburgh 1768) comprising between 2 and 5 musicians. Up to three scholarships will be available. Ensembles are invited to apply, and there is no age restriction for applicants.

The programme is intended to promote ensembles who breathe life into historical performance practices with innovative programme design, high musicality and playing technique.

#### **Baroque Ensemble with Spinet**

In 2023, the focus of the Artist-in-Residence Programme will be on the original spinet by Neil Stewart around 1768, which is part of the collection of the Schloss Weißenbrunn Foundation. The maker of this spinet built is unknown. Neil Stewart was an Edinburgh publisher and trader of spinets and fortepianos. Earliest mentions are from around 1759–60. James Logan and possibly Andrew Rothead built spinets for him. Burkart Shudi's account books also show sales of keyboard instruments to Neil Stewart. Key range: GG–f3, tuning pitch around 410–415 Hz

#### **The scholarships comprise:**

##### **1. Use of the Original Spinet, around 1768**

##### **2. Rehearsals in the Castle's Music Salon**

The castle's music salon is available for rehearsals and recordings.

##### **3. Concert Film with Yoel & Elisabeth Culiner**

The scholarships comprise a film recording in the castle's music salon with concert film makers Yoel & Elisabeth Culiner ([www.culiner.cc/de](http://www.culiner.cc/de)). The artists may use this recording for their own purposes.

In addition the films or excerpts from the films will be published on the YouTube channel of the Schloss Weißenbrunn Foundation. Individual works may also be published on the artists' own YouTube channels.

There is also the possibility of publishing and selling the concert films on the Foundation's Vimeo channel. In this case, 50% of the ticket takings will go directly to the artists. The other half will be used by the Foundation for further scholarships.

The rights to the concert recordings remain with the artists and the Schloss Weißenbrunn Foundation.

## 4. Concerts

For selected ensembles, there will be the additional possibility of performing a concert in the Baroque Garden or in the Music Salon.

## 5. Accommodation in the Castle's Guesthouse

During their residence period, the artists may stay in the castle's guesthouse where four apartments are available. Self-catering is possible, using the guesthouse kitchens. For the duration of the stay, bicycles can be provided.

Travel costs are not included in the scholarship.

## Residence Periods

The scholarship comprises a one-week stay in Schloss Weißenbrunn.

Please name 2–3 possible dates for your stay which will have to be coordinated with the film makers and the castle.

Residence will be possible starting 06 March 2023.

## Deadline for Applications

29 January 2023

## Application Documents

Please submit them exclusively in digital form to [info@schloss-weissenbrunn.de](mailto:info@schloss-weissenbrunn.de)

- description of project including concert programme (duration of music around 45 minutes)
- 2–3 suggestions for possible periods of stay (maximum 1 week for rehearsals and film recording)
- description of ensemble, including photographs
- two video recordings of the ensemble (please send in digital form, via Dropbox, Google-Drive, Wettransfer or similar service).

## Jury

The holders of the scholarship shall be selected by Flóra Fabri, Thomas Leininger and Pia Praetorius.

The final decision taken by the management of the Foundation concerning the allocation of the scholarships and the implementation of the programme are incontestable. There is no legal recourse.

## Further information

For information about the Music Academy Schloss Weißenbrunn with film footage of past Artist-in-Residence recordings see: <https://schloss-weissenbrunn.de/artist-in-residence/>

For pictures of and information about the guesthouse see: <https://schloss-weissenbrunn.de/gaestehaus/>

Ebern-Weißenbrunn, 21 December 2022

Pia Praetorius

Foundation Executive