THE ARTISTS’ UNION OF LATVIA

**RESIDENCIES**

Creative branch

ZVARTAVA CASTLE

01.07.2016 – 30.09.2016

**Organiser:**

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The Artists Union of Latvia brings together artists and art scholars in Latvia and in the world. As an organization The Artists Union of Latvia was founded in 1941 and in 2005 acquired the status of association.

The Artists Union of Latvia is the most creative professional organization in Latvia, which brings together 860 members in the field of visual art. The organization promotes the development of art and cultural preservation in Latvia, coordinates the local art projects and is actively involved in the international art events.

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**Location:**

Zvartava castle

Gaujiena County, Ape Region, approximately 150 km from Riga

[www.zvartavaspils.lv](http://www.zvartavaspils.lv)

Zvartava castle is surrounded by a park with a terrace with a view to the lake. The masters’ house was built in 1881 and it is in the style of Tudor neo-Gothic. The architectural-artistic arrangement of Zvartava castle does not conform any more to the language of the Tudor neo-Gothic forms of the 1930s-60s century. It is original and expresses local views on the understanding of the style of the past.

* **Duration:** 1 month - several months
* **Participants:** Professional artists, students from art schools and all enthusiasts from Visual Arts and other creative sector representatives
* **Target group:** International, National
* **Price**: 10 – 50 euro per night (depending on the comfort level)
* Residents have to secure their own funding fortheir travel and materials. Artist covers living expenses by himself.

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