

Human Resources Development

In accordance with the Austrian Law on Recruitment (Stellenbesetzungsgesetz), the General Assembly of Kunsthaus Graz GmbH announces the following position:

The Kunsthaus Graz – a joint undertaking of the Province of Styria and the City of Graz as part of the Universalmuseum Joanneum – is an exhibition centre of international contemporary art that shows international trends in regular temporary exhibitions, placing these in both a national and regional context. It is dedicated to the freedom of art; in its programme it is independent, discursive and open to everyone in a diverse and transforming society.

From 1 January 2023 for a period limited to 5 years, Kunsthaus Graz GmbH is looking for:

Sole Managing Director of Kunsthaus Graz

We are looking for a high-profile figure from the field of art and culture to take on the following tasks as sole managing director of Kunsthaus Graz:

You will fulfil the cultural-political mission of Kunsthaus Graz at the intersection between regional responsibility and international challenge. In addition to the conception and realisation of exhibitions and events, your primary task will be to maintain and develop relations with regional and international cultural institutions. With the support of the experienced team at Kunsthaus Graz you will represent this institution in the public realm. Your goal will be to position the Kunsthaus Graz in both the local and international art context through exhibitions of special appeal and to further enhance the institution's attractiveness to visitors.

Further responsibilities include:

- Assuming responsibility for the content, artistic and economic aspects of Kunsthaus Graz and representing Kunsthaus Graz to its audience, the media and the general public
- Strategic development of the artistic programme as well as implementation of sustainable, contemporary and complex education formats
- Conception and realisation of the exhibition programme and accompanying publications together with the qualified team at Kunsthaus Graz
- Definition and planning of the strategic and operational goals of Kunsthaus Graz GmbH
- Ensuring the firm positioning of Kunsthaus Graz at international and regional levels
- Optimal usage of synergies with regards to content, communication and diverse target groups, as well as other local, national and international art institutions
- Expansion and further development of the network of partner institutions, artists and curators in order to ensure the successful realisation of artistic and other forms of cooperation
- Active exchange and coordination with the museums of the Universalmuseum Joanneum, in particular the Neue Galerie Graz and department of Art in Outdoor Space
- Attracting additional financial support by maintaining and expanding contacts with public funding bodies and private sponsors
- Planning and monitoring adherence to budgets and resources
- Guidance and motivational support of Kunsthaus Graz employees

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Your profile:

- Completed university studies in art history or another art or cultural science subject
- Proven expertise in contemporary visual arts and a high level of acceptance within the progressive national and international art community
- Excellent communication and mediation skills in contemporary visual arts
- Proven experience in planning and implementing visitor-oriented and artistically relevant exhibition projects
- Proven knowledge and experience in dealing with finances as well as economic expertise and cost awareness
- Excellent contacts with national and international artists, exhibition centres, museums, collections, galleries, event managers, art institutions, sponsors and the media
- Several years of experience in cultural, museum and scientific management as well as in leading teams
- Strong strategic thinking in terms of the positioning of Kunsthaus Graz in the national and international field of contemporary visual arts
- Experience in dealing with national and international media representatives
- High communication and integrative skills both inside and outside the institution
- Business fluent German and English

A salary of EUR 90,000.-- gross per annum is envisaged as a guide for this position.

Dkfr. Laura Schick looks forward to receiving your application by e-mail with a letter of motivation and CV, an illustrative list of exhibitions you have curated so far, a comment on the current mission statement of Kunsthaus Graz as well as a concept of your development ideas by 31 December 2021.

You will find our mission statement under:

https://www.museum-joanneum.at/fileadmin//user_upload/Kunsthaus/Downloads/Leitbild_Kunsthaus_Graz_2019.pdf

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