

The Zurich James Joyce Foundation is looking for a managing director

The Zurich James Joyce Foundation aims to keep alive the work and legacy of the writer James Joyce. Joyce lived in Zurich for more than four years and wrote large parts of his *Ulysses* during this time; he has also found his final resting place here. Since its establishment in 1985, the foundation has been headed by the internationally renowned Joyce scholar Fritz Senn, supported by two curators and an administrative assistant. A broad circle of friends of the foundation is organized as an association.

Fritz Senn is still active in the Foundation, but as a result of the forthcoming resignation of the long-serving curators a renewal of the Foundation team is necessary. The following strategy, which the Board of Trustees has formulated together with the Foundation team, provides the framework for this.

The Foundation offers easily accessible, attractive services for a wide audience and it is also an important place for international, academic Joyce research. In order to keep the work and resonance of Joyce alive at the highest level the Foundation's offerings are aimed at four target groups:

- The academic Joyce community: The Foundation appoints Visiting Fellows from the international Joyce research community for temporary stays in Zurich. It offers a summer workshop and welcomes independent researchers as well as scholarship holders to its well-stocked Research Library.
- Joyce enthusiasts: The Foundation offers the opportunity to get to know the work of James Joyce in varying depth and intensity through reading groups, events and collaborations with cultural institutions.
- Children and young people: The Foundation offers workshops, lessons and guided tours in cooperation with schools and foundations. The focus is on the joy of language and playfulness of the cosmopolitan James Joyce.
- Visitors to the city of Zurich: Joyce is a trademark of the city of Zurich with international appeal. The Foundation offers easy ways to get to know Zurich in Joyce's footsteps.

In addition to the renewal of the Foundation's staff and the (further) development of the above-mentioned services for the various target groups, a digitalization push is also on the agenda: The international networking of Joyce enthusiasts within and outside the universities, the joy of intertextual references in Joyce's work and the new possibilities of digital processing of archive material offer ideal opportunities for a digital presence.

The foundation is financed by income from the foundation capital, contributions from the public sector (City and Canton of Zurich) and private donations from the "Friends of the Zurich James Joyce Foundation" association. In the future, it will be necessary

to additionally finance individual projects and programme areas through contributions from private foundations and other sponsors.

The Foundation is thus looking for
a managing director (60-80%)
with, ideally, the following qualifications:

- You can motivate people, mobilize and bundle forces; you are a good networker, a skilful and persuasive communicator, a person who is successful in working with a wide range of stakeholders.
- You are an entrepreneurial thinker with knowledge and experience in cultural management. You are willing and able to take responsibility for co-designing and implementing the Foundation's strategy and financing projects.
- You are a person with a great affinity for James Joyce and the ability to make a relevant contribution to the further advancement of Joyce research. You have an academic degree (e.g. in literature, English studies or library management).
- You have knowledge and experience in or a keen interest and a flair for digital humanities.
- You are familiar with the cultural landscape of Zurich.
- You are used to communicating in German and English (written and oral) in everyday and professional situations.

We offer an appropriate salary with social benefits, secretarial assistance, a stimulating working environment and a great deal of creative freedom.

Start of employment is 1 September 2024. Please send your application electronically as an integral PDF document to <application@joycefoundation.ch> by Monday, April 15 at the latest. It should include a letter of application, a detailed CV and the names (with addresses and telephone numbers) of two referees.

If you have questions, please contact Professor Andreas Fischer, Vice President of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation, by email at <afischer@es.uzh.ch>.