

As a museum of contemporary art with an eye on design and architecture, the Marta creates space for engaging with art and opens perspectives on the issues of our time. The museum fosters cross-genre dialogue between architecture, applied art and fine art, with the fine arts remaining the focus of the programme. Internationally renowned contemporary artists negotiating in changing solo and group exhibitions in the form of spacious stagings and socially relevant stances, thereby generating diverse discourses. The encounter with the exhibition always consists of multisensory experiences in harmony with the special architecture of the museum, which was designed by Frank Gehry.

The Marta Herford is a museum for many things and above all many people. Its exhibitions, events and educational offerings provide a broad foundation to experience art and culture as relevant and living parts of life. It functions in equal measure as a social stage, as an extracurricular site of learning, as a place of participation and as an individual museum experience.

We are seeking to hire as soon as possible a

Curator (m/f/nb), full time

The range of tasks are essentially as follows:

- Conceiving and organising museums in keeping with the Marta's positioning as a museum. Supporting the director in implement all the institution's artistic programmes, especially the exhibition programme
- Scholarly conception of and responsibility for producing accompanying publications and exhibition texts (digital and analogue) of the museum's exhibitions, projects etc.
- Exchanging information and reliably communicating with the Marta team (the departments: exhibition production, education and outreach, press and publicity, administration, events team and visitor services), with the press, including experts, Marta Friends & Supporters and various cooperation partners
- Accompanying invited artists in the realisation of their exhibitions, maintaining contacts with the regional, national and international art scene(s)
- Representing the director in political and especially expert committees.

Requirements:

- Completed university degree in art history, art studies, cultural studies, curatorial studies, museology/museum sciences or a comparable field with Master's degree or equivalent
- Several years of relevant experience in independently developing and realising projects in the field of contemporary art, experience with publications, well-grounded knowledge of international contemporary art and a broad professional network
- Very good knowledge of German, English and optionally other languages
- Experience in obtaining third-party funding and ideally exhibition-related sponsoring
- Willingness to live and work nearby.

We offer:

- Opportunities to realise exhibitions and publications in collaboration with a well-staffed team in an inspiring museum;
- A working environment with a very good climate, appreciation and trust
- Opportunities for continued education in the field and for travel
- 30 days of annual vacation and flexitime
- A workplace in an office space designed by Frank Gehry

Please send your compelling application as a PDF (max. 7 MB) to bewerbungen@marta-herford.de by 11 January 2026. The documents should include: a letter to Marta gGmbH describing your motivations and salary expectations and indicating your earliest possible starting date (max. 2 pages), a CV with certificates and references and/or contact information references.

Information on the application process will be provided by Claudia Johannsen, Tel. 05221 994430-19.

The Marta Herford gGmbH ensures professional equality for all genders. Applications from all genders are expressly welcome. Recognised severely disabled persons will be given preferential consideration if they have the same aptitude and qualifications (§ 2 SGB IX). Please mention any disability in your application. Application from minorities who meet the recruitment requirements are expressly welcome.

By submitting your application, you consent to our storing and processing your personal data for the purposes of this application process. You may revoke this consent at any time.