
Do you work in the fields of visual art, design, architecture, literature, performing arts or on transdisciplinary projects and have a strong interest in textile production and its context? Then the innovative Artist in Residence Programme TaDA offers you a unique opportunity to work together with renowned textile companies in Eastern Switzerland. TaDA is a joint cultural promotion programme run by the cantons of St.Gallen, Appenzell Ausserrhoden and Thurgau.

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Programme

TaDA – Textile and Design Alliance is a cultural promotion programme. Its goal is to promote artistic dialogue with the eastern Swiss textile and design culture and thus strengthen the regional identity. A connection to practice and to the textile companies established in the region is a central component of the programme. Each year, TaDA offers a work stay in Switzerland to six to eight national and international personalities. The residents develop innovative projects in the fields of art, design, architecture, literature, the performing arts or in transdisciplinary contexts. As programme partners, certain textile and design companies in Eastern Switzerland make their know-how and technology available to the artists, thus giving the residents an opportunity to do practical and artistic work and carry out applied research. For their part, the partners benefit from the creative exchange with the art practitioners invited. On the occasion of the annual event "TaDA Spinnerei", the work results are presented to the public and discussed.

Benefits

- Accommodation
- Travel expenses
- Contribution to the cost of living
- Workplace in the former textile and engine factory in Arbon (today: Kreativzentrum ZIK)
- Support by experts from partner companies and from the jury members

Residency periods

- April to June 2021
- September to November 2021

Languages

Onsite contact languages: English and German

Deadline

4 October 2020

Application materials

Applicants will be asked to complete and upload the following documentation in connection with the online application form

- Online application form <https://form.jotform.com/TaDAresidency/call2021>
- Portfolio with curriculum vitae
- Outline of a project with a topic related to textile production

Decision

Beginning of November 2020

Jury

Martin Leuthold, textile designer
René Rossi, Head of the Biomimetic Membranes and Textiles Laboratory, Empa
Rebecca C. Schnyder, author
Markus Muller, artist
Barbara Karl, Director of Textilmuseum St.Gallen
Peter Trinkl, CSO Saurer AG, Arbon
Martha Monstein, Head of the Culture department of the canton of Thurgau, representative of the cantons
Guest member 2021: Sebastian Lanz, Founder of RRREVOLVE, Fair Fashion & Eco Design

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