

Do you work in the fields of design, textile design, architecture, visual art, 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.

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## About TaDA

TaDA is a joint cultural promotion programme run by the cantons of St.Gallen, Appenzell Ausserrhoden and Thurgau. Its goal is to promote artistic dialogue with the eastern Swiss textile and design culture and thus strengthen the regional identity. Each year, TaDA offers a work stay in Switzerland to six 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, 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 artistic work and carry out applied research. For their part, the partners benefit from the creative exchange with the practitioners invited. On the occasion of various public events, the work results are presented to the public.

## About the open call

Particularly welcome are cultural practitioners who want to engage with questions related to the future of the textile industry and its sustainability. To take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the companies, basic technical knowledge of textile production is preferred. Projects with a strong experimental orientation are especially encouraged.

## Benefits

- Accommodation in Arbon (private room with shared bathroom and kitchen), few minutes walking distance from the workplace and the Bodensee
- Workplace in the former textile and engine factory Saurer AG in Arbon (3 minutes from the apartment)
- Travel expenses are covered
- Contribution to the cost of living
- Professional advice and exchange with 13 partner companies and organisations, including selected use of their infrastructure
- Individual professional support

## Residency periods 2024

- April to June 2024
- September to November 2024

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## Languages

Onsite contact languages: English and German

## Deadline

1st October 2023 23:59 CEST

## Application Materials

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

- Online application form [LINK](#)
- Portfolio with curriculum vitae
- Project outline with clear reference to textile production in Eastern Switzerland: max. 1 A4 PDF page with at least 4 images that illustrate the idea or process (sketches, technical drawings, other visual representations).
- Click here for the application form: <https://form.jotform.com/TaDAresidency/2024>

## Decision announcement

Beginning of December 2023

## Jury

Martin Leuthold, textile designer

Claudia Mareis, Professor of Design and History of Knowledge, Humboldt University of Berlin

Luba Nurse, head of the collection, Textilmuseum St.Gallen

René Rossi, Head of the Biomimetic Membranes and Textiles Laboratory, Empa

Barbara Signer, Artist

Domenica Tischhauser, textile technician, Head of Development Tisca Tischhauser AG

Trusteeship Representative

## Partners

Empa

Filtex AG

Lobra AG

Lässer AG

Rigotex AG

Saurer Museum

Schoeller Textil AG

Sitterwerk

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Textilcolor AG

Textildruckerei GmbH

Textilmuseum St.Gallen

Tisca Tischhauser AG