

# TaDA Textile and Design Alliance

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.

<b>Idea</b>	<p>The aim of the Textile and Design Alliance is to enable constructive and creative encounters between contemporary art practitioners on the one hand and representatives of the traditional and yet high-tech textile production of Eastern Switzerland on the other. The residency facilitates the transfer of know-how and creative exchange with experts in textile manufacturing. Six candidates from Switzerland and abroad are offered the opportunity to work with textile companies in Eastern Switzerland for two to three months, to use a local studio and to build a new network in an unusual context. During the annual "Summer Academy" with international experts and speakers, you will be able to discuss your project with peers and specialists and also present it to a broad audience.</p>	<b>Deadline</b>	<p>Deadline for applications 2020: 6 December 2019 Please send your application to: application@tada-residency.ch</p>
		<b>Submission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Application form</li> <li>- Portfolio with curriculum vitae</li> <li>- Ideally the outline of a project with a topic related to textile production</li> </ul>
		<b>Decision</b>	<p>Announcement of jury decision: End of december 2019 for both periods</p>
		<b>Jury</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Martin Leuthold, textile designer</li> <li>- René Rossi, Head of the Biomimetic Membranes and Textiles Laboratory, Empa</li> <li>- Rebecca C. Schnyder, author</li> <li>- Markus Müller, artist</li> <li>- Barbara Karl, Director of Textilmuseum St. Gallen</li> <li>- Peter Trinkl, CSO Saurer AG, Arbon</li> <li>- Martha Monstein, Head of the culture department of the canton of Thurgau, representative of the cantons</li> <li>- Guest member 2020: Susanne Hilpert-Stuber, curator at MUDAC (Museum of contemporary design and applied arts), Lausanne</li> </ul>
<b>Benefits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Accommodation</li> <li>- Travel expenses</li> <li>- Contribution to the cost of living</li> <li>- Workplace in the former textile and engine factory in Arbon (today: Kreativzentrum ZIK)</li> <li>- Technical support by selected experts from partner companies, including Martin Leuthold, former Creative Director of the textile company Jakob Schlaepfer</li> </ul>		
<b>Residencies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- April to June 2020</li> <li>- September to November 2020</li> </ul>		
<b>Languages</b>	<p>Onsite contact languages: English and German</p>	<b>Partners</b>	<p><u>Filtex</u>, St. Gallen <u>Rigotex</u>, Bütschwil <u>Saurer</u>, Arbon <u>Schöller</u>, Sevelen <u>Textilcolor</u>, Sevelen <u>Textildruckerei</u>, Arbon <u>Tisca Tischhauser</u>, Bühler <u>Empa</u>, St. Gallen <u>Textilmuseum</u>, St. Gallen <u>Sitterwerk</u>, St. Gallen <u>Lobra AG</u>, Thal <u>Brubo GmbH</u>, Speicher</p>