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TaDA – Textile and Design Alliance is calling for applications for their Artist in Residence Programme in Arbon, Switzerland, from either April to June 2026 or September to November 2026.

TaDA – Textile and Design Alliance is a cultural promotion programme of the cantons of St. Gallen, Appenzell Ausserrhoden, and Thurgau. It enables **experimental and innovative engagement with the textile and design culture** of Eastern Switzerland and is conducted in collaboration with textile companies rooted in the region.

As programme partners, textile companies and institutions from Eastern Switzerland provide know-how and technology. This gives the residents the opportunity to carry out practical artistic work and applied research. The partners, in turn, count on creative exchange with the invitees. The work results are presented to the public at various events.

Eligibility

TaDA annually offers **six national and international** successful applicants a work residency in Switzerland. The residents develop projects in the fields of **art**, **design**, **architecture**, **literature**, **performing arts**, **or in interdisciplinary contexts**.

The residency is aimed at creatives and artists from all disciplines with a demonstrated interest in the textile industry, textile culture, and sustainability. Basic technical knowledge of textile production is an advantage. It is also important to be willing to respond to the needs of the partners. Projects with a pronounced experimental approach are particularly welcome. The connection to the TaDA partners must be included in the project drafts.

Support

- Shared apartment in Arbon
- Workspace in the former textile and engine factory Saurer AG, jointly used by the three residents
- Coverage of travel costs
- Contribution to living expenses (2,000 CHF/month)
- Professional advice and exchange with 12 partner companies and organisations, selective use of their infrastructure
- Individual professional support by textile designer Martin Leuthold, the TaDA team, and external experts if needed

TaDA 2025 residency application guidelines

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