

CALL FOR PROJECT SUBMISSIONS for Master students of ZHdK
for a
artists-in-labs residency
MASTER SERIES 2020

CHOOSE A FIELD OF RESEARCH

The artists-in-labs program (AIL) offers a 3-months residency at the intersection of art/ design, and science in cooperation with the Master Transdisciplinary Studies (MTR). The open call encourages interested ZHdK-Master students of all departments and degree programmes to propose a project within a field of research of their choice.

Applications for this Residency are open for:

- Master students of all departments and degree programmes of ZHdK.

Start of the Residency: Spring 2020

The exact dates will be defined in consultation with the project management (AIL/MTR).

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 24th of November 2019

PLEASE SEND YOUR APPLICATIONS INCL. PORTFOLIO IN ONE PDF-FILE (MAX. 8 MB) TO:

ail.program@zhdk.ch (if the PDF is larger than 8 MB, include a wetransfer.com – download-link in your e-mail). The application may be written in German or English.

If you have any questions, you are welcome to contact the AIL-team via ail.program@zhdk.ch

The artists-in-labs residency *Master Series 2020 – Choose a Field of Research* is a new format, that offers the unique opportunity to one Master student of ZHdK to exchange and work during her/his studies for 3 months with scientists of a research field of her/his choice and to develop an artistic project.

About the residency:

- The residency's unique setting opens up the possibility for a transdisciplinary dialogue that is brought about by juxtaposing concepts and procedures, cultural knowledge and backgrounds
- The residency offers significant time and space to develop ideas and to reflect them critically as well as to explore a range of scientific topics, methods and technologies in the chosen field of research
- During the residency the student will be immersed in the research and working alongside scientists
- It will be possible to further develop the project into the master thesis in consultation with the head of the Master degree programme or the director of specialisation
- There will also be a coordinator at the science institution available to the artist for more general issues
- Mentoring will be provided by the project management to reflect and facilitate the process.

Project management ZHdK:

The *MASTER SERIES 2020* Residencies are curated and supervised by **the artists-in-labs program in cooperation with the Master Transdisciplinary Studies.**

About the artists-in-labs program:

- Since 2003, the artists-in-labs program (AIL) has been facilitating artistic research by way of long-term residencies for 56 artists in 22 scientific laboratories and research institutes in Switzerland and worldwide (as of 2019).
- It is part of the Zurich University of the Arts (ZHdK) and promotes sustainable transdisciplinary and cross-border collaborations as well as the development of new knowledge by providing artists with an opportunity to critically engage with the sciences and their experimental and aesthetic dimensions.
- This includes explorations of the site of the laboratory, as well as a range of scientific topics, methods and technologies. Publications and short documentary films record the processes and results of these collaborations and offer reflections on them.
- All the collaborations the AIL produces are presented at various national and international exhibitions, symposia and workshops, making it possible to share findings and ideas, and to provide accessible discussions and aesthetic experiences to our students, peers and to the public.
- Since AIL's beginning the integration of its projects into the ZHdK and at the same time the integration of the ZHdK into its projects has been an important part of the work of the artists-in-labs program: Artists present their projects at the university or invite students to visit the labs, students take part in exhibitions, debate with the artists in seminars or develop ideas in workshops.

About the Master Transdisciplinary Studies:

- Since 2007, the Master Transdisciplinary Studies (MTR) has been offering students with an artistic, creative and/or academic practice the opportunity analyse and utilize the potential of artistic and aesthetic strategies for their own interests and planned projects.
- The programme acts as a hinge between different disciplines in art and design, science and society.
- It enables students to position themselves in cooperative constellations, to critically and reflectively encounter different questions and problems, and to develop new methods and formats for dealing with them that go beyond disciplinary constrictions.
- The profile of the programme is based on the teaching and research focus of the ZHdK, the competence profiles and work perspectives of the students as well as the possible connections in the professional field.

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