

CALL FOR PROJECT SUBMISSIONS for Master students of ZHdK
for a
artists-in-labs residency
MASTER SERIES 2023

Ecosystems and Landscape Evolution

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The artists-in-labs program (AIL) offers a 3 -months artists-in-labs residency at the intersection of art and science in cooperation with the Master Transdisciplinary Studies (MTR). Interested MA students of all departments of ZHdK may apply with a project idea in the context of the research described in the research abstract of the *Ecosystems and Landscape Evolution Group*.

Applications for this Residency are open for:

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

Start of the Residency: Fall 2023 (or by agreement)

The exact dates will be defined in consultation with the project management.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 31st of March 2023

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](https://www.wetransfer.com) – download-link in your e-mail). Video files only as online links (vimeo.com, youtube.com etc.).

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 2023 – Ecosystems and Landscape Evolution* is a format, that offers the unique opportunity to a MA-student of ZHdK to exchange and work during his/her studies for 3 months with researchers of the *Ecosystems and Landscape Evolutions Group* (ETH Zürich) 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 the student significant time and space to develop a project and to critically reflect as well as to explore a range of scientific topics, methods and technologies
- During the residency the student will be immersed in the research and developing his/her project alongside scientists of the team
- 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 research group 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 2023* 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 62 artists in 22 scientific laboratories and research institutes in Switzerland and worldwide (as of 2023)
- 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.

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About the Master Transdisciplinary Studies:

1. 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.
2. The programme acts as a hinge between different disciplines in art and design, science and society.
3. 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.
4. 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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