

TanzPlan Ost — Call for Applications

About TanzPlan Ost (TPO)

Founded in 2009, TanzPlan Ost toured contemporary dance productions through eastern Switzerland in a biennial rhythm from 2010 to 2020, continuously expanding its structures, dance audiences and networks. After ten successful years, the concept was evaluated and further developed, taking into account good conditions for production and performing as well as dance professionals' needs.

Call for applications: TPO Associated Artist Programme 2021/2022

Starting in 2021, every two years, TanzPlan Ost will accompany two choreographers from eastern Switzerland as **TPO Associated Artists** during their research and production process in an intense and close manner. Over a period of twelve months (for the first edition during the period Nov. 2021 – Nov. 2022), two productions will be created, which will finally be presented as a double bill on various stages in eastern Switzerland during the **TPO Tour** (Nov./Dec. 2022). Furthermore, the Associated Artists will develop mediation formats that take into account the regional conditions and specificities and involve the local population. Thus, those audiences interested are to gain access to contemporary dance (creation) currently in the development process (e.g. through open rehearsals, informal performances, and workshops for specific target groups, etc.).

The 12-month Associated Artist Programme includes:

- TanzPlan Ost co-production contribution (CHF 20'000.–)
- monthly salary for the two Associated Artists over 12 months (approx. 40% employment at TanzPlan Ost, CHF 2'180 monthly/gross)
- conceptual, dramaturgical and organisational support from the TanzPlan Ost team during the research and creation process
- support in networking (search for further co-production partners, residencies and performance venues)
- support in the development of mediation formats
- infrastructure/residency and rehearsal opportunities at various locations in the region
- touring of the developed production as part of the TPO Tour 2022 (at least 5 performances at different venues in eastern Switzerland)

Criteria and application procedure for the Associated Artist Programme 2021/2022

The conditions for application to be an Associated Artist are:

- participation in the TPO ChoreoLab in summer 2021!
- reference to the region (origin, former or current place of residence or place of work)
- a strong interest in a long-term, close partnership with TanzPlan Ost for a period of 12 months.
- willingness to develop mediation formats
- use of the residencies made available by TanzPlan Ost (presence on location required for at least 12 weeks), as well as independent research into further residencies and rehearsal venues in eastern Switzerland and the rest of Switzerland
- participation in workshops/further education programmes organised by TanzPlan Ost on various topics such as developing mediation formats, writing dossiers, fair practice, etc. (approx. 5 days)

The application for the Associated Artist Programme includes a project dossier (max. 4 A4 pages) including:

- reference to the region
- motivation for the co-operation with TanzPlan Ost
- short project outline (theme, urgency, conceptual ideas)
- sketch of an idea for a mediation format

Send dossier as PDF to: bewerbung@tanzplan-ost.ch

Deadline: 22.08.2021

Selection will take place by mid-September 2021.

Selection committee: Mona De Weerdts (Project Dramaturg, TanzPlan Ost), Linda Zobrist (Project Manager, TanzPlan Ost), Stefanie Fischer (Member, ig tanz ost)

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