

Information Sheet

Open Call Studio Residency Stipend

Bibliothek Andreas Züst

Once per year the library the Bibliothek Andreas Züst offers a temporary work and living space for duos and collectives. The duration of stay is six weeks. Application for the Studio Residency Stipend is open to national and international cultural workers across disciplines – visual arts, literature, new media, music, theatre, design, architecture, film, photography, and art-related disciplines.

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RESIDENCY

The studio residency stipend offers space for knowledge in tradition of libraries. Here, questions are posed anew, points of view and creative processes are discussed and broken through from different perspectives, boundaries get blurred and are newly interwoven.

APPLICATION

Next Residency: 21st of July - 31st of August 2025
Application deadline: 20th of October - 15th of December 2024

Only complete and correct applications will be considered.
Please send to: residency@bibliothekandreaszuest.net

- Please only one PDF file, not larger than 7MB
- Completed [Application form](#)
- Statement of Purpose/ Reason for Applying (max. 1 A4-page)
- Documentation of Previous Work incl. CV (max. 5 pages)
- CV of each collaborator
- Motivation and way of working together as a collective (max. 1 A4-page)

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CRITERIA	The studio residency stipend is aimed at duos and collectives (up to 5 people) from visual arts, literature, new media, music, theatre, design, architecture, film, photography, and art-related disciplines. Both established and newly founded teams that focus on collaborative work or want to try it out can apply. We are looking for projects that deal with the library as a whole or one of its sub-areas. Applicants from abroad must have an entry permit for Switzerland. The call for applications is aimed at people who are resident in Europe. Applications from families or with children (compatibility of art and family, art and child) are welcome.
ACCOMMODATION	For the stipendiaries, the Alpenhof will provide for accommodations. An inspiring place to retreat and work with space for exchange, enjoyment and relaxation. Secluded and rural, at 1110 meters above sea level, with a view of the Rhine Valley and Lake Constance, there is opening up space for creative thinking. The connection to public transport requires good organisation and a focus on local life (see page 4, Transportation). Active participation in the collective creative process and in the temporary house community is encouraged. A cat lives in the house - people with allergies are welcome at their own risk. Pets are not allowed. Bath towels, bed linen, hairdryer, washing machine and dryer are available.
ALPENHOF COLLECTIVE	The Alpenhof collective enlivens, cooks, serves and cultivates the establishment throughout the year, as a place for culture and concentration, as a hotel for relaxation and as a restaurant for high-quality enjoyment. During the residency, regular operations are closed. Spontaneous ideas or temporary changes of use on the part of Alpenhof collective are welcome. The Alpenhof collective will be partly on site and an active part of the community.
COVERAGE	The Studio Residency Stipend includes place of residence, workspace and meals. Travel costs will be covered. A separate request can be made for an additional subsidy for living costs of up to CHF 750. Each recipient of a studio grant will receive a Half-Fare travelcard for the public traffic in Switzerland.
INFRASTRUCTURE AND MATERIAL	The stipendiaries are responsible for their own work materials and equipment. A printer, book scanner (not the latest), flip charts, a projector with canvas and a cutting mat are available on site. Wi-Fi is available. There is also a workshop with the most important tools. Please let us know if you need further/other infrastructure.

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STUDIO	Each stipendiary is given their own bedroom and the option for a workspace. The library and other rooms and niches around the house are available for retreat and concentrated work.
ORGANISATION AND FOOD	<p>The stay on site (including cooking/cleaning) is self-organised. Active cooperation and organisation within the temporary house community is desired and encouraged. Once a week, the Alpenhof team helps to clean the bathrooms/toilets. Shared meals (focus on dinner) are encouraged.</p> <p>A well-stocked fridge and a stock of various basic food are the basis of your stay. We attach great importance to food and rely (mainly) on organic products from producers in the surrounding areas. The food provided is vegetarian. Special requests and various snacks are organised by the residents. Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages can be purchased at a discount from the Alpenhof at the expense of the scholarship holders. Please inform us about any allergies, intolerances or other types of diet (via the registration form).</p>
GUESTS	Guests in the same room are welcome free of charge for max. three nights. From the fourth night for CHF 50.-/night incl. meals. Guests in separate rooms please book directly through the Alpenhof.
EXPENSES	The travel expenses as well as the contribution to living expenses/artistic production in the amount of CHF 750 can be reimbursed after arrival at the Ida Association. A template for invoicing can be found in the attachment.
EXCHANGE	Regular insights into the work process in the form of an exchange are organised by the Alpenhof collective. A concluding, public event reflecting on the work of this temporary house community during the residency is open in its realisation, but very welcome. The format is free and depends on the intrinsic desire of the group. Support in the organisation of an event can be provided on request. Internal and semi-public events are organised on a voluntary basis. These are organised jointly or by a member of the Alpenhof collective.
COMMUNICATION	We would like to document your participation in the residency on our website and Instagram. In doing so, we will link to the website or accounts of registration. Please let us know if you do not wish to be mentioned or if you would like a link to another account/website.
JOURNAL	At the end of the Residency we would like to see a documentation of the stay/the project, including visual material for the journal on the website Bibliothek Andreas Züst.

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SUPPORT / CARE	One person from the Alpenhof collective bears the main responsibility for the residency. This person accompanies the stay, is regularly on site and/or available otherwise, organises exchange formats (for example in the form of a weekly tavolata or an excursion to the Sitterwerk) and encourages simple organisation within this temporary house community.
ANNOUNCEMENT OF SELECTION RESULTS	The stipends are awarded by an external Jury and representatives of the Bibliothek Andreas Züst. The announcement of selection results will follow by the end of January 2025. The decision of the jury is not an appraisal of quality and there will be no explanation of the outcome.
TRANSPORTATION	Arrival and departure are self-organised. We kindly ask participants from Europe to travel by train. The Alpenhof is in a remote location and accessibility by public transport is limited. Arrival with public transport to Stop «Oberegg AI, St. Anton Kappelle». The station is served directly but irregular from Heiden and Trogen until 04.54 pm. The SBB-App provides information about the connections. From 08.00 p.m. until 11.00 p.m. with Publicar from Heiden Post with prior reservation. Arrival with by car via Trogen, Altstätten or Heiden. Parking spaces are available.
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