

HELMHAUS ZÜRICH

19 July to 7 September 2014

CITY OF ZURICH WORK AND STUDIO GRANTS 2014

The annual Work and Studio Grants exhibition at Helmhaus Zurich provides a regular snapshot of the local art scene. This is where the themes, trends and theories of today's artists are showcased. This year's crop of 33 works promises, among other things, to revive burnt-out popstars, improve the acoustics of the Helmhaus foyer and excavate the lost traces of colonial history in the city.

Each year, artists in the city of Zurich have the opportunity of applying for a work grant or a studio residency abroad. Eligible applicants must have been resident in the city of Zurich for at least two years. There is no age limit.

The application process consists of two stages. In the first round of adjudication, the jury draws up a shortlist based on the documentation and portfolios submitted by the applicants. The shortlisted applicants are then invited to take part in the second round of adjudication by presenting original works at the Helmhaus Zürich. This year's jury comprises members of the Fine Arts Commission and three guest adjudicators who petition the Department of Culture to apportion the grants on the basis of these original works. The exhibition at Helmhaus Zürich presents the works of the shortlisted candidates.

This year's study grant amounts to Fr. 18'000.– for each artist. The allocation of a studio includes a monetary grant towards living costs abroad. In addition, an art mediation grant in the amount of Fr. 18'000.– is also awarded in recognition of the important role that authoritative and innovative presentation of contemporary and emerging art plays in promoting and supporting the arts and culture. Particular emphasis is placed on non-commercial endeavours and projects outside the established institutional framework, such as off-spaces, artist-run spaces and pop-up venues.

Work Grants 2014

Arienne and Pascale Birchler
Valentin Hauri
Cat Tuong Nguyen
Sally Schonfeldt
Tobias Spichtig
Jules Spinatsch
Sebastian Utzni

Studio Residencies 2014

Matthias Gabi (Hamburg)
Jürgen Beck (Genoa)
Cora Piantoni (Genoa)
Karin Schuh (Paris)
Monica Germann und Daniel Lorenzi (New York)
Nicole Hoesli (Istanbul)

Art Mediation Grant 2014

Stefan Wagner

Jury Members 2014

City of Zurich Fine Arts Commission:

Giovanni Carmine (Director of Kunst Halle St. Gallen)

Andreas Vogel (Director of F+F Schule für Kunst und Mediendesign)

Guest adjudicators:

Vanessa Billy (artist)

Shahryar Nashat (artist)

Hilar Stadler (Director of Museum im Bellpark, Kriens)

The exhibition was installed by Dominique Lämmli and Veronika Spierenburg, both of whom are members of the City of Zurich Fine Arts Commission, with the curatorial assistance of Daniel Morgenthaler from Helmhaus Zürich.