

ANNUAL PLAN 2023 AND 2024

Nordic cooperation and Nordic textile art is the basis for Nordic Textile Art. Annual meetings are organized circulating in the Nordic countries with thematic program content with joint activities to create mobility with new forums for textile art. The association is open to anyone who is interested in Nordic textile art. Nordic Textile Art has members from all over the Nordic region and other countries with an international interest in the textile art scene in the Nordic region.

Nordic Textile Art is an independent idealistic association. The purpose of the association is to be a forum to create opportunities for contacts and to contribute to establishing a new network and meeting places for Nordic Textile Art. We want to facilitate physical as well as virtual meetings and to create a network for the Nordic Textile Art. As a member you can both give and receive - a membership in Nordic Textile Art becomes what you make it into.

Long- term goals

NTA is a forum and meeting place for the Nordic textile artists.

NTA stimulates and facilitates information exchange.

NTA exhibits textile art on the national and the international art scene.

NTA is a source of information for the Nordic textile art.

NTA has a broad cooperation and networking with artists and authors, cultural organizations, cultural authority, locally, regional and global.

NTA has a Nordic mutual connection serving as an anchor both on the national and the international arena.

What do we want to do now?

Nordic Textile Art is a network that wants to grow. NTA wants to create a forum for a dialogue concerning textile art. NTA wants to associate with already existing networks in the Nordic countries. We want to create forums and meeting points for Nordic textile artists and focus on textile art.

We turn towards our associated artistic members, authors, and members interested in textile culture. We also turn to all subdivision networks in all Nordic countries, with practicing artists and to everyone who wants to keep up with the textile based art of today.

Goal for 2023 and 2024

The annual meeting must be held no later than March 31 according to the statutes. In order to enable more flexible dates for the annual textile conference “Nordic Textile Meeting”, a statute amendment is to be proposed for decision in 2023.

The 2023 annual meeting will be held digitally on March 27. The Nordic Textile Meeting will be held in Finland in June and organized in collaboration with TEXO with lectures, workshops, exhibitions and study visits. The place is Tampere (Tammerfors) with a study trip to Forssa, The theme is Koko Kirjo - The Whole Spectrum.

The 2024 annual meeting with textile conference and program is planned to be held in Akureyri, Iceland.

Networking - Textile art in the Nordics - the conversation continues. NTA will develop the project Nordic Textile Art - Advanced Dialogue. A project with the aim of promoting cooperation and lasting contacts between the Nordic countries and to work actively with network development with the Baltic countries. For implementation, there is long-term network support from Nordisk kulturkontakt 2022-2024. Additional funding for activities in the project must be sought. During 2023 and 2024, the board will continue planning and work around participation and activities for NTA's members.

NTA a Nordic association with a Nordic board. For the sustainability of the association and the durability of the networks, it is important that the board meets. Digital meetings are good, but physical meetings are required to create better connections and new developing ideas. One form of this is Textile Talk/Talk Textile, a joint workshop where through artistic practice we create an extended dialogue and new contact surfaces. The workshop is part of the project Nordic Textile Art - Advanced Dialogue. Plans for new workshop with physical meetings for board work are to be done in 2023 and 2024

The Textile Museum of Sweden wants to act as a Nordic base for NTA. The Textile Museum wants to be an important arena for textile both national and international. Nordic Textile Art will during 2023 and 2024 deepen and strengthen its contact with the Textile Museum and the City of Borås.

Nordic magazine. During the year, vision work will be done to develop the possibilities of realizing a digital Nordic magazine with a focus on contemporary textile art. A debate-creating magazine and valid for all Nordic countries. An idea by Gina Hedegaard Nielsen, textile artist and editor of the Danish magazine "Rapporter"

NTA and ETN. Nordic Textile Art is a member of the European Textile Network. The NTA board is striving to strengthen the bonds with ETN. Since 2020, ETN have its office for the association in Haslach, Textile Zentrum, in Austria. Elisabeth Brenner Remberg is a member of the ETN board. This creates a good foundation for networking and contacts to be created between Nordic artists and the rest of the world.

Strong network structure. NTA will 2023 and 2024 strengthen and create bonds with TEXO in Finland, Dansk Tekstillaug – væv, tryk, broderi, The Textile Museum of Sweden, Fibre Art Sweden, Textiltryck Malmö, the Icelandic Textile Center, The Icelandic Textile Guild, Norwegian Textile Artist and The Norwegian Association for Arts and Crafts and the Estonian Textile Association.

The homepage www.nordictextileart.net shall become more active homepage with the goal that all members shall present themselves on the network page. NTA's network shall be available to members on the website. Facebook and Instagram should continue to be the social medium where we can take part in textile art. NTA Gallery is NTA's own exhibition room on the website with circulating member exhibitions.

More members of the NTA. NTA is a growing association aiming at more members. NTA as an association shall continue to be a member of the European Textile Network.

How? In order to meet the goals and to fulfil the plan the board is assigned to work with making meetings possible in order to strengthen the network for the Nordic textile art. As a member of NTA you are part of our important network.