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## NORDIC TEXTILE ART - ADVANCED DIALOGUE

Long term Network funding, Nordic Culture Point, 17/5 - 2022 - 31/12 2024



NTA + EteKL + TEXO + TEXTILE ARTISTS LITHUANIA, IN ESTONIA 2023. TEXTILE TALK/TALK TEXTILE

*NORDIC TEXTILE ART - ADVANCED DIALOGUE - What happens when the habit is broken and the obvious is erased? When we challenge our relationship to the material and place it in new contexts? The aim of the project is to deepen contacts and collaboration between artists and organizations for textile arts in each Nordic country and to create a mobility with new forums for textile arts where the Baltic countries are included in our textile network*

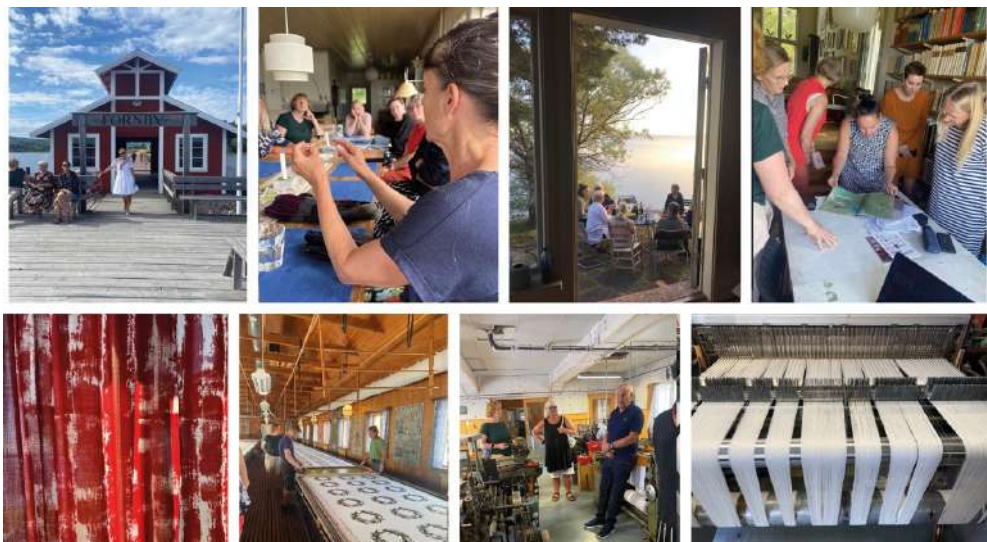
### **Textile art in the Nordic countries - the conversation continues.**

Long-term network support (2015 – 2018) gave us the opportunity to strengthen the Nordic collaboration that we have been striving for from the start in our association and our network. To meet over the web and in social media is evolving and enriching, but the most important experience is to really meet face to face. Over time, being able to create lasting relationships, to get together in our profession where the personal meeting also gets room, creates a basis for continued collaboration and development. During the pandemic, we have even more realized the importance of meeting in real life.

**The purpose** of the network collaboration is both development of competencies and development of the textile art field. The goal is to create a Nordic platform where new interpretation, innovation and renewal of the textile art is given room.

## Networking activities and time schedule.

- 17/5 2022 Project starts - initial discussions.  
Eesti Tekstiilikunstnike liit Kadi Pajupuu,  
TEXO Miia Pöytälaakso  
Lithuania Monika Žaltauskaitė, VAA KF Head of Textile Department.  
NTA: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg, Maria Johansson.
- 9 – 12/6 2022 Nordic Textile Meeting in Oslo – *Gather up the loose ends*  
The meeting was open to anyone interested in Nordic textile art with a program combining a textile conference, exhibitions and networking. 60 participants from Norway, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, England, Scotland, Switzerland, Germany and Spain participated. The board of NTA meets to discuss and set up networking strategies.
- 11/8 2022 Networking meeting, project team.
- 25 – 29/8 2022 **Textile Workshop in Rättvik, Sweden, Textile Talk/Talk Textile.**  
*Practical creativity breeds new ideas.* Textile artists and members of EteKL, TEXO, NTA and from Kaunas in Lithuania meet in a textile workshop in Sweden for increased knowledge, outlook and network. The program for the days includes textile tours and meetings with current local culture.  
Participants EteKL: Aet Ollisaar, Sigrid Huik, TEXO: Miia Pöytälaakso, Laura Isoniemi, Lithuania Jolanta Šmitienė, Gertrūda Rumzytė. NTA board: Sweden: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg, Maria Johansson. Finland: Päivi Vaarula, Maija Esko, Denmark: Vibeke Lindhardt, Berthe Forchhammer.



- 22 – 24/9 2022 VÄV 2022. Participation in the weaving fair in Halmstad. At VÄV 2022, our goal was for Nordic Textile Art to be visible and present the association's activities and the work of creating a Nordic network for textile art. A goal that was realized with great response. New meetings and contacts arose.



- 7/12 2022            Networking meeting, project team.
- 14/12 2022           Networking meeting for expanded collaboration. Planning of the workshop Textile Talk/Talk Textile in Borås 2023. Textilmuseet: Ulrika Kullenberg, Malena Karlsson. NTA: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg.
- 23/1 2023            Nordic Culture point, Networking meeting in Tallin.
- 13/2 2023            Networking meeting for expanded collaboration. Discuss how we proceed with the planned workshop in Heimtali, Estonia: Textile Talk/Talk Textile. Eesti Tekstiilikunstistike liit Kadi Pajupuu, Aet Ollisaar, Sigrid Huik TEXO Miia Pöytälaakso, Lithuania Monika Žaltauskaitė, Jolanta Šmitienė NTA: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg, Maria Johansson.
- 2-4/3 2023            The 20th European Textile Network conference in Łódź, Poland. *Codes – stories in Textiles*. Maija Esko and Josabet Werkmäster represented NTA and at the Network Sessions they gave a presentation of Nordic Textile Art and the project.
- 8 -11/6 2023           Nordic Textile Meeting in Tampere 2023 - *Koko Kirjo/The whole spectrum*. To strengthen the network, the annual meeting is held alternately in the Nordic countries. What is happening in textile art today and what has happened historically. What are the similarities and what are the differences? The Nordic Textile Meeting in Tampere was a collaboration between TEXO, the Finnish association of textile artists, and Nordic Textile Art. The board of NTA and TEXO meets to discuss and set up networking strategies.



- 14 -18/8 2023           **Textile Talk/Talk Textile – Time-lapse - textile tour and meeting in Estonia.** In the project, we have continued our joint workshop with the title: Textile Talk/ Talk Textile. In 2023, the trip went to Estonia with stops in Tallinn Viljandi, Heimtali, Põltsamaa, Äksi, Tartu and Esna. We lived together in the countryside in Männiku Metsatalu.



Networking and development work with an artistic workshop is a good and rewarding form. Meeting in real life and being creative together has a big impact on future relationships and collaborations. The participants were Kadi Pajupuu EE, Aet Ollisaar EE, Sigrid Huik EE, Vibeke Lindhardt DK, Lily Erla Adamsdottir IS, Josabet Werkmäster SE, Åse Eriksen NO, Majja Esko FI, Elisabeth Brenner SE, Maria Johansson SE, Kari Merete Paulsen NO, Arnþrúður Ösp Karlsdóttir IS, Päivi Vaarula FI, Jana Vyborna-Turunen Fi, Monika Žaltauskaitė Grašienė LT, Jolanta Smitiene. LT.



16-18/11 2023 **Textile Talk/Talk Textile in Borås.** The members of NTA were invited to participate in the Textile Talk/Talk Textile workshop at the The Swedish Museum in Textile in Borås. *Share your textile experiences and your textile thoughts. – Textile Talk/Talk Textile!* The starting point for the workshop was process, sketch and the manual labor that brings us forward both for our own projects and new joint collaborations. Team leaders for the workshop were: (NTA) Elisabeth Brenner Remberg and Josabet Werkmäster together with (The Swedish Museum in Textile) Malena Karlsson



- 27/11 2023      Networking meeting evaluation and launch of a picture-book of the summer meeting in Estonia. <https://tekstiilikunst.ee/suvekursused>
- 9/2 2024        Networking meeting for expanded collaboration. Discuss how we proceed with the planned workshop in Kaunas, Lithuania: Textile Talk/Talk Textile. Lithuania: Monika Žaltauskaitė, Grašienė, Gertruda Rumzyte  
Eesti Tekstiilikunsnike Aet Ollisaar, Heleri Alexandra Sits  
TEXO Jaana Woll, NTA: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg.
- 15/3 2024      NTA new website is launched. [www.nordictextileart.net](http://www.nordictextileart.net). The web company Duva were hired for creating the new site.
- 20/3 2024      NTA board meeting. Detail plans for the Nordic Textile Meeting in the North of Iceland 2024 - *Materials and Methods*. This year it is in collaboration with the Icelandic Textile Association, and it is set in the picturesque landscape of Northern Iceland from June 5th to June 8th, 2024.
- 12/4 2024      Networking meeting. Detail plans for Textile Talk/Talk Textile in Kaunas. Lithuania: Monika Žaltauskaitė, Gertrūda Rumzytė. NTA: Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg. Kaunas 5-9 augusti 2024. Pop up exhibition at Gallery Balta, textile tour to Rumšiškės, Makniūnai. Workshops “Lithuanian Sashes – from Tradition to Innovation”, “Talk with Textile -Talk with Nature”.

### Cooperation and networking partners.

Nordic Textile Art [www.nordictextileart.net](http://www.nordictextileart.net),

TEXO <https://tekstiilitaiteilijattexo.fi/>

Eesti Tekstiilikunsnike liit <https://www.tekstiilikunst.ee/et>

The Textile Artists' Guild, <http://www.galerijabalta.lt/>

VAA KF <https://vda.lt/en/faculty-of-kaunas>,

Textilmuseet i Borås. [textilmuseet.se/](http://textilmuseet.se/),

European Textile Network [etn-net.org](http://etn-net.org),

### Project Group Nordic Textile Art.

Josabet Werkmäster, Elisabeth Brenner Remberg and Maria Johansson



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