

Call for dance projects for Tanzfest Winterthur '27

For Tanzfest Winterthur from **May 19 to 23, 2027**, we are searching for dance projects, preferably with a connection to Winterthur (not a requirement).

Tanzfest Winterthur is part of the national dance festival, which has been taking place simultaneously in more than 40 cities for over 20 years. It offers dance artists performance opportunities, while the audience can discover the breadth of artistic dance creation and has established itself as a platform for artistic exploration in Switzerland.

In curating the program for the next edition of the festival, it is important to ask questions such as: How can we practice **sustainability** in the field of dance? What does it mean to treat our own bodies and the resources available to us in a sustainable way? What are sustainable relationships with ourselves, others and the world, and how to play an active role in shaping social change?

Since 2022, half of the productions invited specifically by the Tanzfest Winterthur have been selected by a "Winterthur jury." This jury consists of five to seven people who represent the broad population of Winterthur and have no professional dance background.

Framework conditions

DURATION Dance productions of approx. 25 – max. 45 minutes

FEE CHF 500 per performer
Solos and duos have the best chance of being programmed, possibly also trios.
Accommodation and travel expenses cannot be covered

WHAT Flexible dance pieces from any dance genre that can be performed in various indoor or outdoor locations (in different squares, galleries, etc.)

Requirements:

- No lighting technology, no blackbox
- No dance floor or dance carpet
- No / short set up or take down time
- We provide the sound system or music box, but sound cues cannot be done by the TF team
- Rehearsals on site before the festival or reduced - by prior arrangement - on the day of the performance
- Artist lounge available, shared foyer for warm up

Open Call 2027



DATES Availability on all days is advantageous: **May 19 - 23, 2027**
(Please indicate your availability in detail on the application form)

Application

CRITERIA

- Connection to **Winterthur** / surrounding area advantageous (not a requirement)
- **Professional** dance practitioners
- Works around the topic of **sustainability**

PROCEDURE Application to programm.winterthur@dastanzfest.ch with:

- Filled out **application form**
- **Concept** (max. 2 A4 pages) with photos and video link (no downloads)
As some of the dance projects are programmed by the local Winterthur jury without professional dance experience, any (even older) image and video material is helpful for illustration purposes.
- Brief **description** of the **dance company**/collective, including **CVs**

DEADLINE **October 31, 2026**

DECISION Approximately end of December 2026