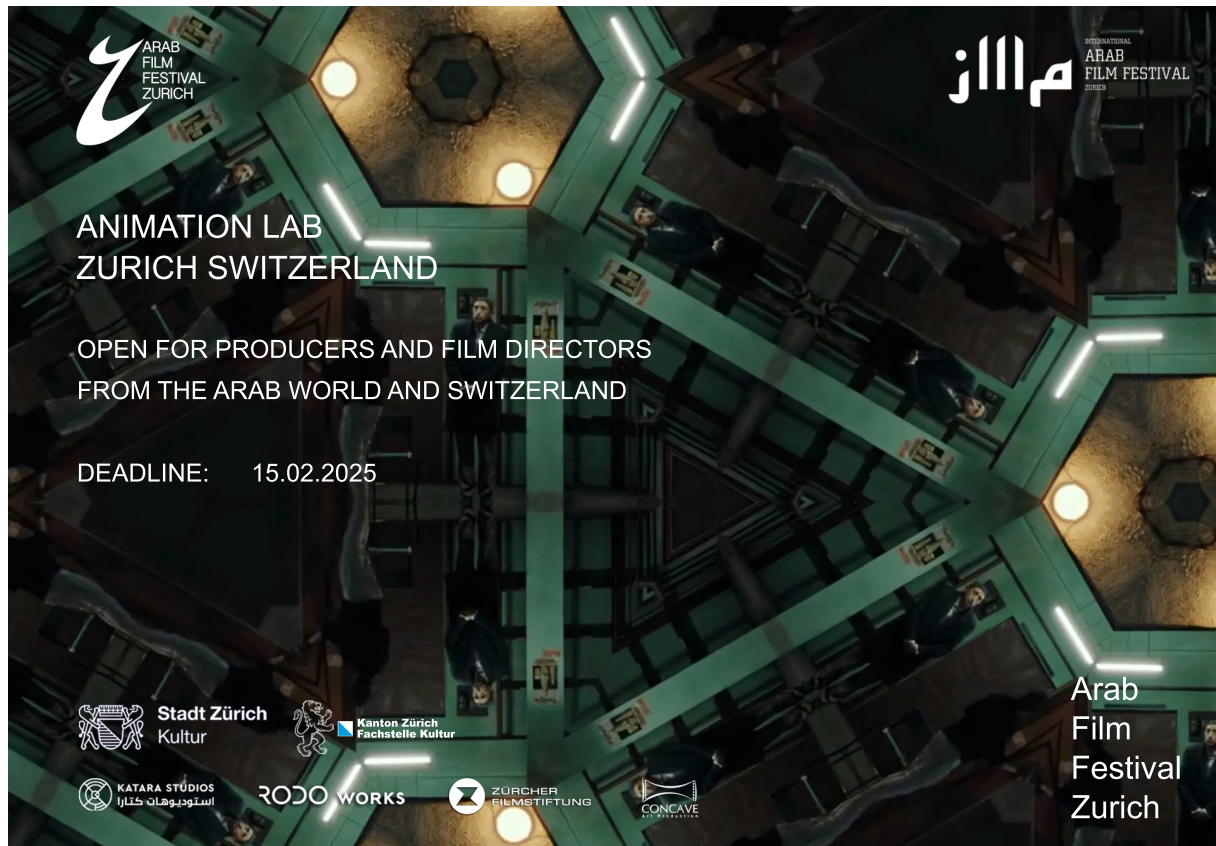


Animation Lab Zurich Switzerland



Call for submissions: Animation Lab

We are excited to announce the 7th edition of the Arab Film Festival Zurich, which will introduce an “Animation Lab”. This new offering is of great importance as it aims to promote the financing, the writing and an enriching international exchange of experiences with respect to animation in the Arab world and Switzerland.

The Animation Lab at AFFZ comprises two concentrated days during which the production and post-production phases of four carefully selected feature-length animation projects will be advanced. A professional jury will judge the submitted projects; prizes in kind will be awarded by post-production providers from Switzerland and the Arab world. In addition, a panel event will be held to discuss common and differing challenges facing animated filmmaking in Switzerland and Arab countries, which is of particular interest to up-and-coming filmmakers.

This exclusive program aims to serve as a catalyst for networking, cultural exchange, collaboration and funding opportunities, promoting professionalization and creating strong links between animation creators, studios and industry professionals in Switzerland and Arab countries.



The lab is organized with the support of the Animation Department of the Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts (HSLU) and in collaboration with the international animation film festival Fantoche and the Groupement Suisse du Film d'Animation (GSFA), whose Peer2Beer event already provided the first opportunities for informal exchanges with Arab guests during the last edition of the AFFZ.

The Arab Film Festival extends its heartfelt gratitude to the City of Zurich, the Canton of Zurich and the Zurich Film Foundation for their generous support of the Animation Film Lab.

Production companies and filmmakers from the Zurich area and the rest of Switzerland are invited to submit long animated film projects in the production stage and to take part in the discussions and workshops. The Animation Lab will take place at the Filmpodium cinema.

Are you currently developing a feature-length animation project that you would like to submit for consideration in our Animation Lab? We would be delighted for you to participate. Kindly refer to the submission requirements on our website for further details:

<https://www.iaffz.com/en/animation-lab.html>

The deadline for submissions is February 15, 2025. We eagerly anticipate your valuable contributions!

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