

BRÜCKEREI

OPEN CALL FOR CHOREOGRAPHERS

06-18.07.2026 // Tanzhaus Zürich, Switzerland

What is BRÜCKEREI?

BRÜCKEREI is a mentored choreographic development platform which brings together 3 choreographers and a large pool of professional & non-professional dancers for 2 weeks of research and artistic exchange. For its third edition, BRÜCKEREI welcomes the award-winning Swiss artist Thomas Hauert as a mentor. Under his guidance, selected choreographers have the unique opportunity to dive deeper into their artistic practice and expand their creative vision in an inclusive context. In line with Hauert's practice and expertise, this year's edition focuses on improvisation as a mode of creation and performance. Sketches of the research are shared with the public during an informal showing on 18.07.2026.

Hosted at Tanzhaus Zürich, BRÜCKEREI #3 fosters a process-oriented mindset and a collaborative creative culture wherein inspiration is stimulated, failure is embraced and experimentation is encouraged.

What do we offer?

- An opportunity for further education in choreography
- A supportive framework and professional mentorship
- An inspiring, playful and safe environment
- A free of charge program with no application or participation fees
- A travel allowance, accommodation and per diem for choreographers residing outside the canton of Zürich

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Who are we looking for?

We welcome applications from choreographers at any stage of their career, regardless of background, gender, or age. Selection is based primarily on artistic interests and motivation to develop an inclusive, improvisation-based choreographic practice, rather than on a specific level of experience or a particular style of expression. To ensure a diverse geographical representation, one of the 3 selected choreographers is to be based in the canton of Zürich, one in another region of Switzerland, and one abroad.

However, you must be:

- Fully available between 06-18.07.2026
- Keen to collaborate with people of diverse dance abilities and experience
- Comfortable working with improvisation as a choreographic tool
- Hungry to immerse yourself in a process-oriented, creative research under the guidance of a mentor

How to apply?

Fill out the online application form at
<https://forms.gle/z1zqPdrK9qioxSEU6>

Deadline to apply: 15.03.2026

Notification of selection: 01.05.2026

More information at www.brueckerei.com