

Selection procedure: Studio Head and Assistant Studio Head - Printmaking 2

The Rector of the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague, with its registered office at U Akademie 4, 170 22 Prague 7, in accordance with Section 70 and Section 77 of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education, and the current Regulations of the Selection Procedure for Filling Academic Staff Positions at the Academy of Fine Arts in Prague, announces: Selection procedure for academic positions open from the academic year 2025-2026 Studio Head and Assistant Studio Head for teaching studio work in the Printmaking 2 studio in the study programs Free Art (BcA.) and Fine Arts (MgA.).

Description of the academic position

The Studio Head and Assistant Studio Head will provide university art education in the Bachelor's Free Arts and follow-up Master's Fine Arts degree study programs at AVU and participate in the activities of the academic administration. In the Doctor of Fine Arts programs, they may act in supervisory and consultancy roles. The Studio Head may also act as a guarantor of a study program.

AVU academics create teaching concepts, participate in creative activities, artistic research, participate in curriculum development and student support; they are involved in the preparation of concepts for the year-long focus of the Studio Art course, student assessment, and the organization of exhibitions, lectures, and excursions.

Participation in academic committees and working groups of the Academy of Fine Arts is also part of the job description. The Head of Studio works closely with the guarantors of the study programs, with the Pro-rector for Studies and with the Pro-rector for Arts and Research. The work involves interdisciplinary cooperation and initiative in developing cooperation with art universities and cultural institutions in the Czech Republic and abroad. The main language of studio teaching is Czech.

Required qualifications for Studio Head

- university degree in art or other education
- Independent artistic work relevant to the Czech and international contemporary art scene, coherent with the focus of the studio
- in-depth knowledge of current developments in the Czech and international contemporary art scene
- international network and experience in cooperation with art institutions and educational platforms
- ability for theoretical reflection on artistic creation and prerequisites for pedagogical activity or pedagogical practice
- an idea of their own approaches in art and pedagogical practice as a studio head that can be applied to promote an inclusive environment in teaching at AVU

- a formulated pedagogical concept of teaching visual arts in the Free Arts and Fine Arts programs (including a description of how the candidate perceives their field and its overlaps, the name of the studio, and a proposal for an assistant studio head, or a reflection on the results of previous teaching experience)

Required qualifications for Assistant Studio Head

- university degree in art or other education
- artistic experience coherent with the focus of the studio

We are interested in pedagogical concepts that deepen the diversity of tendencies and methods of teaching visual arts at AVU. AVU is an equal opportunity employer and welcomes applications from the Czech and international art community regardless of age, gender, gender identity, orientation and ethnicity.

If a couple applies to jointly manage the studio, they share the offered positions leader and assistant, including financial compensation. If applicants from abroad apply, one of the studio heads must speak Czech or Slovak. Due to the staffing of the implemented study programs and accreditations, AVU prefers a maximum of two people for shared leadership or one person for leadership and one person for assistant.

Working conditions offered for Studio Head

- Start date of employment: 1 September 2025
- Expected level of employment: 1.0
- Salary: 42,000 CZK
- Fixed-term contract (3 years), with the possibility of extension (3 years) after internal evaluation
- Employee benefits according to current AVU standards as of 2025/26

Terms and conditions of employment offered for Assistant Studio Head

- Start date of employment: 1 September 2025
- Expected level of employment: 1.0
- Salary: 36,000 CZK
- Fixed-term contract (3 years), with the possibility of extension after internal evaluation depending on the occupancy of the position of studio head
- Employee benefits according to current AVU standards as of 2025/26

Application information

The candidate for the senior position of Studio Head submits the application form, nominating their Assistant Studio Head.

The selection procedure is a three-round process. In the first round, the expert committee will assess all valid applications and select the candidates for the second round. The second round takes the form of a public presentation (30 minutes) in which the candidates present their teaching concept. The third round consists of personal interviews (with the Rector and representatives of the management) and the candidates who are best ranked by the committee after the public presentations are invited to participate.

The application includes:

- A pedagogical concept for the period of 3 academic years 2025-2028 (which will be presented publicly in case of advancement to Round 2), including the nomination of an assistant studio head
- a letter of motivation from the candidate for the post of studio head
- a structured curriculum vitae outlining the work, teaching, and other experience of both applicants, including contacts
- documentation of their own artistic work in the form of a portfolio (PDF format max 30 MB)
- officially certified copies of documents certifying the highest level of education attained or academic degrees obtained; in the case of documents issued by institutions abroad, appropriate nostrification will be required on entry

If you have any questions, please contact the Master's Programs Coordinator Mgr. Janu Kitzlerová Ph.D. (jana.kitzlerova@avu.cz). Please send the application form with the required materials electronically to: opencall@avu.cz by 31 March 2025.

The results of the selection process will be published on the official AVU Bulletin Board and announced to the individual candidates during December 2024.

AVU reserves the right to cancel this selection procedure at any time during the procedure without giving reasons, as well as not to fill academic posts in case of failure to meet the requirements.

By submitting an application for the selection procedure, the candidate agrees to the processing of the personal data provided in accordance with Act No. 110/2019 Coll., on the processing of personal data, for the purposes of this selection procedure.