MA Thesis 2026

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Overview Dates

March	
Fri 13 March 09:00, Concert Hall 7.K12 [DE] 15:00, 5.K03 [EN]	Diploma Info Event
Tue 17 March 13:00 – 15:00 Galerie 1, 4.K13	Exhibition Concept Workshop Slides, Miro
Thu 19 March	**Deadline** Exhibition Concept
Mon 23 March	Exhibition Concept Feedback
April	
Thu 02 April	**Deadline** Final Exhibition Concept
Mon 20 April	Deadline Leihs devices order via this link iMacs/iPads ordered by us
May	
Wed 13 May	Add invitees to 25 Years IAD / Vernissage list here
15 May	Deliverables Abstracts (for DDE website, important because abstract is being proofread externally)
20 & 21 May	Pedestals painted by colleagues
XX May	Student Portraits (Photo only)
Fr 22 May	Fill out exhibition supervision slot
Tue 26 May	Exhibition space ready, start exhibition build-up
Wed 27 May 12:30 – 17:00	Event Tech: Installing of the LED Wall, possibly already hanging all Molton
June	
Mon 01 June	Exhibition layout review (walk through with mentors), timeslot tbd
Wed 03 June 10:00 – 15:00	Event Tech: Installing of all TVs and other technical devices > be ready with your things!
Fri 05 June 23:59	**Deadline** MA Thesis (digital), on Filer
Wed 10 June	Deliver Exhibition Manual on Filer at 17:00
Wed 10 June 12:00	Setup finished (fire police checks entire exhibition)
Thu 11 June	**MA Exam, Focus Theory** **Deadline** Thesis Print: One copy for the exhibition, two copies delivered to the IAD Office 4.C01 Vernissage (17.00 opening by the president, 18.00 exhibition spaces open) 25 Years IAD Apéro & Afterparty
Fri 12 June	Exhibition Review by the Jury and Grading Feedback

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Tue 23 June MA: 10.00 – 11.30 BA 13.00 – 16.00 Room 6.T47	Förderpreis Presentations Public presentation from all nominees
24 - 25 June	Showcase Design Production (Video/Photo of Förderpreis Nominees) *Keep dates free*
26 June 11.00 – 13.00 Concert Hall 7.K12	Graduation Ceremony, followed by an apéro and group photo
Sat 27 June	Exhibition Take-down & return Leihs devices (Leihs open from 10.00-16.00)
Mon 29 June – 01 July	Return pedestals, walls etc (if applicable), return Computers/iPads to Duy
Thu 02 July	All Exhibition Spaces cleared by the evening

Deliverables

Deliverables have to be uploaded on the Filer, if not stated otherwise.
Serveradress: *smb:fileredu.ad.zhdk.ch/DDE/MDE_VIA/Thesis_Projects_2026*

Exhibition Deliverables

This deliverable is a documentation of your Master's Exhibition. Think of it like any other project deliverable. Guidelines Project Deliverables.

Thesis Deliverable

- Full MA Thesis text and documents (including updates and rewrites, with final reflection on practice)
- 2x hard copies, delivered to the IAD office room 4C.01
- Digital copy uploaded on the Filer
- Declaration of Autonomy: Signed Declaration of Autonomy
- Master's Thesis Video delivered on the Filer

Expenses

Please be aware that your expenses can only be refunded if you submit the complete documents with the final deliverables. 500 CHF per student will be reimbursed. Included in this budget is also the the iMac/iPad renting fees (250.-/150.-) during the exhibition, as well as the thesis printing fee. The reimbursement happens only after controlling the Final Deliverables. Submission of receipts and proof of payment to Bettina Hannwacker.

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