

Statutes of the Digital Arts Association

NAME AND LEGAL DOMICILE

Article 1

The Digital Arts Association (hereinafter referred to as the “Association”), is a non-profit association governed by the present statutes and, secondarily, by Articles 60 et seq. of the Swiss Civil Code.

Article 2

The Association’s legal domicile is in Zurich.

OBJECTIVES

Article 3

The Digital Arts Association aims the following:

- Develop, support and promote the Museum of Digital Art and its subsidiaries
- Promote the works of national and international artists engaged in Digital Arts
- Establish and maintain regional, national and international collaborations between artists, events and organizations dedicated to Digital Arts
- Propose and organize activities designed to inspire and engage a broad audience with Digital Arts
- Inspire the youth, especially young women, with the artistic possibilities at the intersection of creativity and technology
- Raise funds for the implementation of the Digital Arts Association’ objectives

MEMBERS

Article 4

Any natural person or legal entity who accepts the present Statutes, has fully paid the annual membership fee and has been accepted by the Committee can become member of the Association.

The Committee admits new members and informs the General Assembly accordingly.

The Committee can refuse an admission without having to specify the reason.

Article 5

The status of member is acquired after acceptance by the Committee and on the day following the payment of the annual membership fee set each year by the General Assembly, on the basis of proposals of the Committee.

Article 6

Membership ceases:

- By written resignation notified to the Committee at least three months before the end of the financial year
- By exclusion ordered by the General Assembly, for just cause
- For non-payment of the membership fees

In all cases the membership fee for the current year remains due. Members who have resigned or who are excluded have no rights to any part of the Association's assets.

ORGANS

Article 7

The Association's organs are:

- General Assembly
- Executive Committee
- Auditor

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Article 8

The General Assembly is the Association's supreme authority. It is composed of all its members.

Article 9

It shall hold an Ordinary Meeting once each year. It may also meet in extraordinary session whenever necessary, by decision of the Committee or at the request of one-fifth of the members.

The General Assembly shall be considered valid regardless of the number of members present.

Article 10

The Committee shall inform the members in writing (by postal mail or email) of the date of the General Assembly at least 20 days in advance.

Article 11

The General Assembly:

- Appoints the members of the Committee and elects, at a minimum, the President and the Treasurer
- Appoints an Auditor for the Association's accounts
- Approves the annual budget and financial statements for the year

- Fixes the annual membership fees, on the basis of proposals of the Committee
- Approves the admission and expulsion of members

Article 12

The General Assembly is presided over by the President of the Committee.

Article 13

Decisions of the General Assembly shall be taken by a majority vote of the members present.

Votes are by a show of hands. If requested by the majority of the General Assembly, they take place by secret ballot. Members of the Committee have voting rights.

In case of deadlock, the President shall have the casting vote.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 14

The Committee is authorized to carry out all acts that further the purposes of the Association.

The Committee itself organizes its work and decides about the organization needed for the managing of the Association's business.

Article 15

The Committee is composed of at least 2 members elected by the General Assembly.

Each member's term of office shall last for 1 year and is renewable an indefinite number of times.

The Committee meets as often as required.

Article 16

The Committee:

- Carries out the decisions of the General Assembly
- Administrates and manages the Association
- Receives the annual membership fees, donations and other resources
- Instructs the Commissions to carry out specific tasks
- Represents the Association in accordance with Article 3 of the present Statutes
- Convenes General, Ordinary and Extraordinary Assemblies and establishes the agenda
- Takes decisions with regard to admission of new members, to resignations of members, and to their possible expulsion.

Article 17

The Association shall be validly bound by the joint signature of the President or the Treasurer and a member of the Committee.

Article 18

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If not requested otherwise, votes are by a show of hands.

In case of deadlock, the President shall have the casting vote.

Article 19

In special cases, the Committee can create specific functions or structures to deal with particular matters and shall determine their responsibilities and method of operation. These will regularly inform the Committee about their activities.

AUDITOR

Article 20

The Auditor shall, excluding any interference in the management of the Association, audit the assets and the accounting documents of the Association.

The Auditor shall submit a report once a year during the Ordinary General Assembly.

Article 21

The Auditor is composed of at least one member elected by the General Assembly.

Each auditor's term of office shall last for 1 year and is renewable an indefinite number of times.

RESOURCES

Article 22

The Association's resources come from :

- Membership fees
- Donations
- Private and public subsidies
- Legacies
- Any other resources authorized by law

The funds shall be used in conformity with the Association's objectives.

Article 23

Only the assets of the Association may be used to meet commitments. Members have no individual financial responsibility.

VARIOUS PROVISIONS

Article 24

The financial year shall begin on 1st of January and end on 31st of December of each year.

Article 25

Decisions concerning the amendment of the Statutes or the dissolution of the Association must be placed as a specific item on the agenda of the General Assembly, and must be approved by a two-third majority of the members present.

The revised Statutes come into force at the beginning of the financial year following which the decision was taken.

In the event of the Association being dissolved, the General Assembly determines the allocation of the assets.

The present Statutes have been approved by the General Assembly of July 18, 2014 at Zurich (Switzerland).

The founders of the Association,



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