
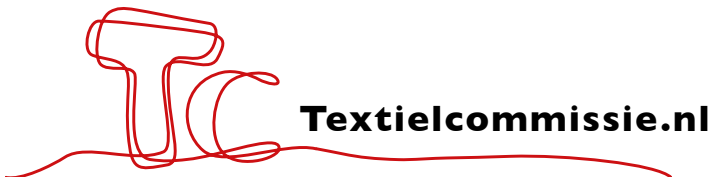


Textile Symposium
Monday 18 May 2015
Rijksmuseum Volkenkunde Leiden



**bio-design in
TEXTILES**





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SPRING SYMPOSIUM 2015
BIO-DESIGN IN TEXTILES

The Spring Symposium 2015 will take place adjacent to the Leiden Textiel Festival 2015 and is also open to participants of the 17th ETN (European Textile Network) Conference. Due to the international character the symposium language will be English.

Designers nowadays are increasingly making use of animal and vegetal materials in order to create radical new design concepts. **(Micro)organisms, such as fungi, bacteria and algae, can be used to either make, improve or infect textiles, resulting in a 'living' textile which has not been produced mechanically, but has 'grown'.** During the Spring Symposium 2015 the Textielcommissie.nl will address new developments in the area of biotechnologically manufactured textiles. How will these textiles affect us? And are we able to control fungi and bacteria?

The programme includes the following speakers:

William Myers, curator/author/lecturer Biodesign at Design Academy Eindhoven, about development, possibilities and applications of biodesign in textiles;

Bernhard Schipper, lecturer at Burg Giebichenstein, University of Art & Design Halle, about developing bacterial cellulose for textiles;

Amy Congdon, biological designer, growing future textiles with tissue engineering;

Natalia Zagorska-Thomas, textile conservator for Zenie Tinker Conservation Ltd, about the restoration of a 120 years old dress made of 1,000 beetle wings.

Furthermore, the Textielcommissie.nl aims at engaging other prominent speakers involved in experimenting with innovative textile materials created by various methods of biotechnology. The lectures will be alternated by pitches on relevant issues.

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