

## AWARDS AND EXHIBITIONS

2021

SWISS DESIGN AWARDS – NOMINATION

2020

TEMPLE DU FUTUR, VILLA NOAILLES, HYÈRES – EXHIBITION  
WILD THING – MUESEUM FÜR GESTALTUNG, ZÜRICH – EXHIBITION  
CHRISTA GEBERT / AMBIENTE \*DESIGNPREIS – NOMINATION  
SWISS DESIGN AWARDS – NOMINATION

2019

DESIGN PRIZE SWITZERLAND – WINNER CATEGORY FASHION  
MERCEDES-BENZ FASHION WEEK RUSSIA GLOBAL TALENTS – WINNER

2018

CHRISTA GEBERT / AMBIENTE \*DESIGNPREIS – NOMINATION  
SWISS DESIGN AWARDS – NOMINATION

2017

FASHIONCLASH FESTIVAL, MAASTRICHT NL – SELECTION  
MODE SUISSE IN BEIJING (INNOFASHION) – PARTICIPANT

2016

CHRISTA GEBERT / AMBIENTE \*DESIGNPREIS – NOMINATION  
SWISS DESIGN AWARDS – NOMINATION  
FASHIONCLASH FESTIVAL, MAASTRICHT NL – SELECTION

2015

200 EMERGING DESIGNERS WORLDWIDE, VOGUE ITALY – SELECTION  
THE PROPOSAL, ZÜRICH – EXHIBITION  
A. KRIEMLER AWARD, INSTITUTE FASHION DESIGN BASEL – WINNER  
INTERNATIONAL FASHIONSHOWCASE, LONDON – SELECTION

## AFTER WORK STUDIO

AWS SPECIALISES IN OUTDOOR AND KNITWEAR PIECES THAT REFLECTS THEIR STRONG IDENTITY. BOLD GRAPHICS, AN UNDENIABLE SENSE FOR FUNCTIONALITY AND A MASTERY OF PROPORTIONS AND VOLUMES CHARACTERISE THE SWISS LABEL, WHO WON THE DESIGN PRIZE SWITZERLAND 2019.

ALL AWS KNITWEAR IS PRODUCED BY TEXTIL AG HUTTWIL, ONE OF THE LAST REMAINING SWISS KNITTING PRODUCERS. THE PIECES RESULTING FROM THIS CREATIVE PARTNERSHIP SHAPE THE SIGNATURE LOOKS OF AWS, CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE PRESERVATION OF TRADITIONAL CRAFTS AND STAND FOR SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY.

SINCE 2016 AWS IS ALSO PRODUCING (OUTERWEAR, OTHER APPAREL) AT THE MEDIUM-SIZED FAMILY BUSINESS SLOWFASHIONFAST NEARBY BANJA LUCA, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA.

AWS WAS FOUNDED IN 2016 BY FASHION DESIGNER KARIN WÜTHRICH AND GRAPHIC DESIGNER MATTHIAS FÜRST.

### KARIN WÜTHRICH (\*1983)

AFTER AN APPRENTICESHIP AS A DRESSMAKER KARIN WÜTHRICH STUDIED FASHION DESIGN AT THE ACADEMY OF ARTS AND DESIGN BASEL. DURING HER STUDIES SHE INTERNEED AT PETER PILOTTO AND PETER JENSEN IN LONDON. AFTER GRADUATION SHE WAS EMPLOYED AS DESIGNER AND PATTERN MAKER AT BERNADETTE KOCH GMBH IN BASEL AND WORKED ON HER OWN DESIGN PROJECTS. BESIDES SHE GAINED EXPERIENCE AS A STYLIST FOR DIFFERENT PHOTO SHOOTS. IN JANUARY 2015 SHE GOT HER MASTERS DEGREE IN FASHION DESIGN AT THE ACADEMY OF ARTS AND DESIGN BASEL.

### MATTHIAS FÜRST (\*1983)

AFTER THE PREPARATORY COURSE FOR DESIGN AND ART MATTHIAS FÜRST STUDIED GRAPHIC DESIGN AT THE SCHOOL OF DESIGN IN BIEL. HE WORKED SEVERAL YEARS FOR BRANDING AND ADVERTISING AGENCIES, AMONGST OTHERS FOR JUNG VON MATT/LIMMAT, LEO BURNETT ZÜRICH AND WIRZ BBDO ZÜRICH. SINCE 2009 HE ALSO REALISED DIFFERENT PROJECTS IN THE FIELDS OF FASHION, PHOTOGRAPHY AND FILM. IN JANUARY 2015 HE GOT HIS MASTERS DEGREE IN FASHION DESIGN AT THE ACADEMY OF ARTS AND DESIGN BASEL.

KARIN WÜTHRICH AND MATTHIAS FÜRST ARE GUEST LECTURERS AT THE INSTITUTE AESTHETIC PRACTICE AND THEORY AT THE ACADEMY OF ARTS AND DESIGN BASEL, AT THE INSTITUTE OF FASHION DESIGN BASEL, F+F SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN ZÜRICH AND AT HEAD GENEVE.

MATTHIAS FÜRST WORKED ALSO AS ADVISOR FOR THE THINK TANK KONTEXT (SWISS TEXTILES).