



Save the Date:
What's the deal with **data in the arts**?

“Let’s talk about... the thrilling frustration of data management in the arts. **Yes, data!** You know, the factual records that validate your research findings? **Imagine this.** You’re a visual artist and your artistic research dives into textiles, paint and touch. Your data needs to be stored. Do you rent a storage locker? What’s the temperature like in there? **Something else.** What if your research is about live theatre? Your research performance contains nude performers – also data! How do you capture that experience? Can you anonymize them? **Alright, one more.** Your artistic research is a co-creative project where you work with people in sensitive legal or psychological situations. How do you protect **THEIR** privacy?

All of these situations feel like they could become absolute trainwrecks. Data management is difficult to manage, especially for researchers in the arts. **But let’s take a breath!** The good news is: you’re not alone!”¹



¹ From: [Animation What's the deal with data in the arts](#)

What's happening?

On April 13th 2026, ArtEZ, AHK and HKU will organize a mini-symposium around Data in the Arts, consisting of three workshops. As a follow-up of our previous Symposium in November 2024, we will dive deeper into fundamental & practical issues of data management in the arts.

The three workshops will focus on:

- How could we create a RDM that's fit and usable for artistic research (without losing track of national standards)?
- How could we create a basic for an informed consent letter that's grounded in community practices?
- Non-Traditional Research Output and physical data: collecting our worries, ideas, wants and needs for ways to deal with this ongoing challenge

Be prepared to get creative and walk away from the day with more data (on data).
So be there & save the date!

Practical information

When: April 13th 2026

Time: 13:30 – 17:00 hrs

Where: Culture Club, Amsterdam Hogeschool voor de Kunsten

How to sign up: Via [this link!](#)

Stay tuned, more information will follow soon!