

Art. 1—Purpose

Coil Art Motive 2 APS kicks off the fourth edition of the DucatoPrize. The main purpose of the Prize is to support and promote the research and production of national and international artists.

Art. 2—Participation Criteria

The competition is addressed to all artists (and artists' collectives) from all nationalities, without age limits, respecting the criteria set out in each section. You may apply by submitting a single work in any of the two categories: Contemporary or Academy.

Applicants may participate presenting all forms of visual expression ranging from painting, drawing, graphics, sculpture, installation, video-art, performance, sound-installation or photography. Artworks, if two-dimensional, may not exceed the dimensions of 400×400cm alternatively, if three-dimensional, may not exceed the dimensions of 400×200×200cm. In case of modular or immersive works, there is no size constraint. The projects will be assessed by the jury according to criteria of quality and contemporary relevance.

Contemporary

The section is open to all artists, national and international, with no age limit.

Academy

The section is open to students from national and international Academies and Institutes, both public and private, if regularly enrolled at the closing date of the call.

Art. 3—Application procedure and deadline

Artists can register for the corresponding sections from April 7 to June 4, 2023, by filling out the online application form.

The deadline for the submission of projects is June 4, 2023 at 12pm (Rome, GMT+1), unless exceptions are announced at a later date.

To apply for the Prize is required:

- 1) payment of the registration fee;
- 2) the registration form completely filled in and to include:
 - a) description of the submitted work in English (max 2000 characters including spaces);
 - b) one photo of the work to be submitted. The image must be in JPEG or PNG file

format, with optimal resolution 300 dpi, file size between 1 and 5 MB. In case of video works, the file cannot be uploaded in the “Artwork” section of the form but must be included under “Work description” through a permanent link (YouTube, Vimeo or other platforms) from which it can be downloaded or viewed or, as an alternative, by sending it by email to: apply@ducatoprize.com;

c) a file containing CV (max 5MB);

d) a file containing the Portfolio (max 5MB);

e) receipt of payment via Stripe or bank transfer in the appropriate box of the form.

Art. 4—Application fees

The application fee for the Contemporary section is Euro 50.00 per artist (or collective) and for a maximum of one artwork, while the application fee for the Academy section is Euro 20.00 per artist (or collective) and for a maximum of one artwork. Payment of the fee has to be made in Euros, without charging the Prize any commission. The registration fee is non-refundable.

Payment can be made using:

- Stripe from the DucatoPrize website
- Bank transfer to:

Coil Art Motive 2 APS

Credit Agricole - Fiorenzuola D'Arda

IBAN: IT29G0623065310000031164539

BIC / BC NR / SWIFT: CRPPIT2P020

Bank details: indicate your "SURNAME NAME" followed by "DP23" in the order "SURNAME NAME DP23".

Direct payment charges to the DucatoPrize are not accepted. If payment of the registration fee proves to be irregular for any reason, the candidate will be automatically excluded from the Prize.

Art. 5—Jury and Collector's Board

The jury of the fourth edition of the DucatoPrize is composed of five experts working in the contemporary art context: Julieta Aranda, Nerina Ciaccia, Luigi Fassi, Stéphane Ibars and Bernardo Mosqueira. The Collectors Board is a committee composed of art collectors who will elect the winner of the Collectors' Special Mention and will participate actively in judging the winner of the Contemporary section.

Art. 6—Awards

One winner will be selected among the finalists for each section, who will receive:

Euro 10,000 for the Contemporary section

Euro 1,000 for the Academy section

The jury and the organization may also assign further special mentions, acquisition and production grants. Prizes are liable to a 25% withholding tax as current law art. 19 of Law no. 449 of 27/12/1997. The winning works become property of Coil Art Motive 2 APS association, which commits itself to preserve and make them available for future exhibitions and loans.

Art. 7—Timetable

Applications to the Prize can be submitted from April 7 to June 4, 2023. In July, the finalists for the Contemporary and Academy sections will be notified by personal e-mail and announced on social channels and on the Prize's website. The finalists are required to send their selected work according to the timing and modalities that will be communicated.

DucatoPrize will take care of logistics and transport costs of the works.

Please note that the works selected as finalists will be part of the exhibition and will be held temporarily for the duration of the show, until the end of October 2023.

Art. 8—Winners' Announcement and Finalists' Exhibition

The winners will be announced during the opening of the finalists' exhibition, taking place in September 2023 at Volumnia (former Church Sant'Agostino), in Piacenza. The ceremony will be open to the public, guests and press.

Art. 9—Disclaimer

Coil Art Motive 2 APS guarantees the utmost expertise in the organizational and exhibition phases of the Award, taking care of the insurance of all works on show for the declared commercial value. Transport insurance of the works is optional and paid by the artists.

Art. 10—Privacy policy

Participants authorize Coil Art Motive 2 APS to process personal data in accordance with law 675/96 (Privacy law) and D.lgs.196/2003 (Privacy code). Each participant freely grants to Coil Art Motive 2 APS and DucatoPrize the reproduction of images and texts related to the artworks for any kind of publication, promotion and activity linked to DucatoPrize and Coil Art Motive 2 APS.

Art. 11—Acknowledgement of the Open Call

Registration for the Prize implies automatic acceptance of all the articles listed in the Open Call.