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PUBLIC NOTICE

V_AIR 2017 VIMERCATE ART IN RESIDENCE INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ARTISTS' RESIDENCIES AT THE 'MUST' (MUSEUM OF VIMERCATE)

The Department of Culture of the Municipal Council of Vimercate, with a view to redefining the role and content of the MUST Museum, is offering annual residency programmes for 2017, to promote contemporary art and support artistic production.

The theme for the winning artists' works will be ***Brianza, Land of Tradition, Contradiction & Innovation.***

THE SUBJECT OF THE NOTICE

The first session will take place during the months of March and April 2017, selecting up to 6 projects by young artists, who will then be assigned a studio in town in which to create their works for a period of 4 weeks.

Artists can participate that work in the field of visual arts (painting, sculpture, graphic design, street art, photography, video) without restriction of expressive language and artistic technique.

At the end of the residency, each artist selected will give the Municipality of Vimercate an artwork that will become part of the Museum's collection.

The studio assigned to the artist will sometimes be open to the public and will also serve as a place to meet and listen to curators, critics and art professionals.

During the residency period public events will be organised with guests from the contemporary local and national cultural scene: open studio, seminars, workshops, studio visits and tours.

Artists' will live as guests of the Municipality of Vimercate, which will provide each artist with lodgings and a lump sum of € 1000 for their meals and materials.

RECIPIENTS

The invitation is open to individuals or groups (who must name a representative to be the nominal beneficiary of benefits and services), Italian or foreign, who have full exercise of civil and political rights in their own country.

The artists must be aged between 19 and 35 years old and must not have any other active ongoing residencies in the period between March and April 2017.

Non-European candidates must be in possession of a valid residence permit that complies with current Italian immigration laws, or they must undertake to obtain one prior to the start of the residence.

SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

Applications will be assessed according to predefined criteria, by a specially convened panel of experts.

The assessment criteria, with relative scores for up to 100 points, will be as follows:

1. originality and quality – up to a maximum of 30 points;

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2. consistency with the chosen theme – up to a maximum of 30 points;
3. feasibility – up to a maximum of 30 points;
4. applicant's CV – up to a maximum of 10 points.

On the basis of the assessment and the overall scores assigned to the applications, a merit list will be prepared and posted on the website of the Municipality of Vimercate www.comune.vimercate.mb.it and on the Museum's website www.museomust.it.

The winning artists will be asked to sign a contract by 31 January 2017 for acceptance of the conditions of residence. In undertaking their project, the selected artists must comply with all laws of copyright with regard to any images, audio and film soundtracks included in their work. The selected artists will bear any charge relating to the rights of third parties with respect to the use of images or sounds during their period of residence.

The Municipal Council reserves the right not to make any award if none of the applications submitted is deemed suitable, or on grounds of public interest. In that event, the Council shall not be liable to applicants in any respect.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Interested artists must submit their candidature, on pain of exclusion, not later than **12.00 pm on 30 November 2016**.

Applications must be submitted by PEC to the Protocol Office of the Municipal Council of Vimercate vimercate@pec.comune.vimercate.mb.it or by email to info@museomust.it, with the subject line "V_AIR 2017 VIMERCATE ART IN RESIDENCE".

To take part in the selection, each candidate must send as attachments, in PDF format:

- the application form duly completed and signed (Attachment A);
- a *curriculum vitae* that includes their education, past exhibitions, prizes won, participation in other residency programmes, publications, articles about them and a portfolio of ten of their recent works;
- a description of the work that they hope to undertake during their residence;
- a photocopy of a valid identity document.

The applications and attached documents may only be sent in Italian or English.

DATA TREATMENT

Under Legislative Decree 196/2003, any data collected is processed purely for institutional purposes and in connection with the residency programme. The data controller is the Municipality of Vimercate and the data processor is the Director of Culture.

INFORMATION AND PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

Any information regarding this notice can be obtained from the Programme Director, Massimo Pesenti, at the Ufficio Cultura e Museo: email m.pesenti@museomust.it / telephone +39 039 6659 490.

Dr Angelo Marchesi, Director of Culture
Vimercate, 14 September 2016