

Call for applications

International Students Sessions in Art History

The Art History Festival, 8th edition
Fontainebleau, France
June 1-2-3, 2018

For the sixth consecutive year, the Art History Festival organizes the International Students Sessions for Master and PhD art history students. The students will be given a privileged access to the events at the Festival, as well as opportunities to meet informally with established professionals. By inviting to Fontainebleau the experts the students need to meet for their research, the Festival creates a precious moment of contact between two generations of scholars, while connecting the future international community of art historians.

THE FESTIVAL DE L'HISTOIRE DE L'ART

The 8th edition of the Festival will take place from Friday, June 1st to Sunday, June 3th, 2018, in the town of Fontainebleau, in the park, at the château and on several sites in and around the city.

The Festival is a three-day international free event that provides a crossroads between the world of professional art history and the public. Organized in collaboration by the ministère de la Culture et de la Communication, the Institut national d'histoire de l'art (INHA) and the Château de Fontainebleau, with the support of the ministère de l'Éducation nationale, its goal is to reach the broadest audience possible, and update their vision of art history from an professional field into a fascinating visual and contextualized experience of art. The Festival addresses a wide array of visual arts: from ancient to contemporary, painting to photography, performance to decorative arts; it also considers architecture and digital arts. During the three days of the Festival, more than 350 lectures, panels, tours, concerts, exhibitions, films, lectures, and workshops are offered to the public - free of charge and without reservation.

The Festival invites 300 professionals of the art world (artists, academics, scholars, curators, art dealers, art publishers, students etc.) to present their expertise to a large audience in a scholarly yet passionate and accessible way. It goes beyond the usual academic borders, periods, and methods, providing an opportunity for the speakers to compare different practices in the domains of art history, heritage and culture. It also offers those professionals a chance to meet, discuss and interact together on a large scale. Every year, the Festival focuses on two main topics (a theme and a guest

country). This year, the theme selected is "Dream" and the guest country is the Greece. The Festival also offers recurrent main events: the Forum de l'Actualité (Art History Current Events Forum), Art & Caméra (the film section of the Festival), the Art Book Fair, Art History workshops for school teachers, tours, shows and family activities, and the International Students Sessions.

THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SESSIONS

The Festival invites a group of approximately 60 French and EU students in art, art history, cinema history and restoration, selected by the Scientific Committee of the Festival based on their professors' recommendations. Beyond the free selection of lectures, panels and various events organized by the Festival, the students, organized in small groups, are invited to two private breakfasts (Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 mornings) with prestigious speakers (curators, professors, artists and gallery professionals). These sessions will cover current research and methods in Art History in France and the Greece. Dialog with these professionals will familiarize the students with Greek research and offer them a setting in which advice and suggestions are easily exchanged. By sharing their personal experience (work, carrier), the lecturers will enlighten the professional choices that present themselves to the students. A workshop, coordinated by professors and curators, will enable the students to share their research, but also work on very practical matters to prepare themselves for their entrance in the professional world

The Festival will pay for transportation and the entire stay at Fontainebleau, from Thursday, May 31th, 2018 to Sunday, June 3th. The Festival will offer the selected students housing in Fontainebleau for three nights and cover travelling and food expenses. The European students will receive, as participation to their transportation, a fixed price of 140€ while the French, non-Parisian students will get a 80€ participation.

Documents to provide:

Please send a resume and cover letter (with phone number, email and postal address) research to <u>festivaldelhistoiredelart@inha.fr</u> before Feburary 16, 2018. A recommendation letter from a professor will be highly appreciated. French speaking is welcome.

Students will be selected by a committee based on academic value and their motivation. The engagement of their research with the theme "Dream" or the guest country, the Greece, will be a favourable factor.