Painters, sculptors and photographers candidate for the festival delle arti

The Festival delle arti directed by Andrea Mingardi, is coming to the end phase. After the exhibition of the aspiring winners for the section of music and shows, are now introduced the applicants registered under the sections of figurative arts and photograph. All the selected artworks can be admired at PalaCuore in the heart of Parco Nord: 24 significant names for each section, emerged from a first phase of hard selection among 194 application requests for figurative arts and 91 for photograph. The hard task to select the finalists is under the responsibility of a skilled commission, we remember Vittorio Mascalchi and Adriano Baccilleri from the Accademia di Belle Arti, Daniela Facchinato director of Image Gallery who manages photograph. The same commission, together with other important names such as the artists Luca Caccioni and Gianni Gosdan, will nominate all the winners whose names will be revealed only on September 16, during a big party at PalaCuore, a sort of Golden Globes night. The commission's goal is to represent all the creative expressions, from painting (in different styles) to sculpture and installations, through artworks created with traditional materials (see Luca Lanzi, Max Loner and Alessandro Moreschini).

Other artworks made with innovative materials (see *Federica Gastaldon* and *Paola Bitelli*). All these emerging names are younger than 30 y.o. (with some exceptions of few 40 y.o.), settled in Bologna although some of them are coming from different nations such as Morocco (*Khanous Brahim*), Greece (*Christos Tsoublekas*) and Poland (*Weronika Wawrzyniak*). Although the candidates for photograph are under 30 y.o., their artworks have doubtless reached a certain maturity, as pointed out from Daniela Facchinato. The photographic mean is used in total freedom, lot of black and white, few colours, reject of the modern photographic rules, recover of the techniques of the past times.

See Gian Luca Pollini, Emanuela Bortolotti, Maddalena Artusi, Luigi Russo, Antonio Graziano, Antonello Paladino e Stefano Traglia.*

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