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ARTE LAGUNA PRIZE PRESENTS THE FIGURES

Press Release

Venice, 12th April 2012 – While preparing the new Arte Laguna Prize edition, we want to give you the figures of the just concluded one: more than 4 thousand attendances at the inauguration on march 17, **more than 5 thousand visitors** during the **15 days of exhibition**, **2 expositions** – the main one at the Arsenal and the other, dedicated to the Under25, at the Romanian Institute of Venice, **125 artworks** exposed, **31 different Countries** from which the finalists come from.

Aiming at promoting contemporary art talents, the cultural association MoCA, which takes care of organizing and fostering the event, has always kept the entrance to its exhibitions free and let interested visitors get in touch with the artists, making sales possible. Hence, collectors purchase artworks to expose in their own homes, gallery managers have the chance to see the work of the artists, selected by an international jury, and give birth to business relations. Entrepreneurs can in fact decide to begin a collaboration with the artist, as happened for Annalù and the firm Capodopera, Juan Mateu and Reil, Elena Giustozzi and Stile original design, and Amelia Zhang and Fope gioielli.

During the next months a number of collaborations will take place, and the prizes that the artists won will follow in personal exhibitions in different galleries, art residences, and collaboration with firms.

Indeed, Arte Laguna is not a mere contest dedicated to contemporary art, but an opportunity diving board that every year sees the participation of firms, galleries, foundations, and museums.

Here are some of the next appointments.

By June, the three-month residence for Turinese Simone Bubbico, Swiss Joelle Allet e Canadian JoeyL will begin. During these three months, the artistic production will occur by the Loft Miramarmi in Vicenza, established inside an old factory of the Bocchese family, that since 1961 has been extracting, working, and exporting Italian marble.

On July 28 in Slovenia, the Art Stays Festival begins and the new artwork created by the young Polish Cyryl Zakrzewski will be presented. Also in summertime, the five-month residence of Candace Couse will start by the iaab in Basel.

In the Fall, the work in the Murano furnaces will begin for the three residence winners by the Murano Glass School Abate Zanetti. They will conclude with the creation of three artworks signed by the glass master Giancarlo Signoretto and the three artists Magagnini Giulia from Rome, Leonore Roussel from France, and Elisabete Esteves from Brazil. Moreover, the Indian residence in Bombay sponsored by the multinational Technymon will take place too.

Finally, the gallery circuit will realize 24 personal exhibitions in the months that follow.

The Arte Laguna Prize hence becomes the crossroad amongst numerous roads and the reference point for emerging artists or for those seeking new opportunities.

Overall Winners >>>

<http://www.premioartelaguna.it/index.php/vincitori-assoluti2011.html>

Pictures of the Inauguration night >>>

<http://www.premioartelaguna.it/index.php/mostra-finalisti-17-marzo-1-aprile-2012/foto-a-video.html>

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