

2024 BOOK AWARDS

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Created to support the extraordinary development of photographic publishing and to contribute to its wider dissemination, the Book Awards of Les Rencontres d'Arles reward three categories of works: the Author's Book Award, the Historical Book Award and the Photo-Text Book Award, supported and encouraged by the Fondation Jan Michalski pour l'écriture et la littérature, which celebrates the relationship between texts and images. Each award is endowed with 6,000 euros and rewards a photographic work published between May 1, 2023 and May 10, 2024 (included). A pre-selection followed by the designation of the winning works is established by a pre-jury and a jury composed of experts in the field of photographic books. The winning publications of the three categories are announced during the opening week of the festival. All the shortlisted books are archived in the library of the École nationale supérieure de la photographie d'Arles and are exhibited throughout the festival.

Major partner: Fondation Jan Michalski pour l'écriture et la littérature.

ENDOWMENT

Each award is endowed with 6 000€. As soon as the prizes are awarded, half of the prize money is paid to the publisher, and half to the artist (or to all the authors in the case of a collaborative work).

TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

- The award is open to all professional photographers and artists using photography of all ages and nationalities.
- The book must have been published between May 1, 2023 and May 10, 2024 (included)
- the submission can be individual or collective.
- Reissues of artists' books are allowed, as long as the first print run was less than 150 copies.
- It is possible to present several works, through separate and duly completed applications.
- Self-published books (without an ISBN number) that have not yet been distributed are eligible.

MEANS OF SUBMISSION

Participation in the Book Award 2024 is free.

The project must be submitted both physically and online.

Any incomplete application will not be considered.

Online applications can be completed in French or English. The book will be presented in its original language.

Each book sent will become the property of Les Rencontres, which reserves its use, and cannot be returned.

Details on the three categories of the Book Awards:

The Author Book Award rewards the best author project for a contemporary photography work.

The Historical Book Award rewards the best documented book on photography or about a photographer. It can either be a thematic or monographic book.

The Photo-Text Book Award rewards the best book in which photographs and words contribute equally to the work.

SHORTLISTING

A pre-jury and a jury composed of specialists and experts in the field of photographic books will meet to decide on the shortlisted and winning works. The pre-jury will take place in mid-June and will be in charge of establishing a pre-selection of books per category, and each candidate will be contacted directly by the festival. An official announcement of this list will be made following the pre-jury. The final jury will meet on the eve of the festival's opening week and will officially announce the winners during the evening at the Antique theater on Tuesday, July 2. The shortlisted and winning books will then be exhibited throughout the festival in a dedicated exhibition space. Candidates will be asked to send a second copy, which will not be returned too, that may enter the archives of Les Rencontres d'Arles, in the library of l'École nationale supérieure de la photographie d'Arles.

NB: In case of sending a work whose retail price is higher than 150€, it will be directly deposited in the ENSP School library, and it will be understood that it will not be exposed to the public for security reasons.

TIMELINE

- Application is open from March 18 to May 10, 2024 (included).
- Pre-jury meeting in mid-June 2024.
- Announcement of the pre-selected books mid-June 2024.
- Meeting of the jury on the eve of the opening week of the festival.
- Official announcement of the winning books during the opening week of Les Rencontres d'Arles, at the Antique theater, on Tuesday July 2, 2024.
- Exhibition of the shortlisted and winning works throughout the festival, from July 1 to September 29, 2024, as well as during the Jimei x Arles festival, which will take place in the fall of 2024.

ARTIST'S RIGHTS & PERMISSIONS

The candidates for the Book Awards declare that they are the holders of all the rights relating to the content of the proposed project (texts, images, graphics) and guarantee peaceful use of these elements. Candidates whose work is preselected and/or awarded authorize, in fact, Les Rencontres d'Arles to present it from July 1 to September 29, 2024, in the official festival programming and in digital form on our site. They also authorize Les Rencontres d'Arles to use this work to promote the 2024 Book Awards.

APPLICATION FORM

For each project submitted, you will be asked:

-to fill in and validate the [online form](#) on the official website of Les Rencontres d'Arles

AND

-to send a [physical parcel](#) including:

→ one physical copy of the book (in the event that the project is pre-selected or if it wins, a second copy will be requested in order to be kept in the archives of Les Rencontres d'Arles).

→ The contact for the application first name + NAME and the title of the book.

Address for receiving applications:

École nationale supérieure de la photographie d'Arles

Prix du Livre 2024 - Bibliothèque

30 Avenue Victor Hugo

13200 Arles – France

→ Any incomplete application, or received after the deadline, will not be taken into consideration.

→ Any customs fees not paid in advance will invalidate the receipt of the physical form and therefore the application. Please make sure you are in compliance with the tariffs of the country from which you are sending your file.

→ No book sent can be returned and becomes the property of Les Rencontres d'Arles.

Shipments from France: by Colissimo or any other type of registered mail before Friday, May 10, 2024 midnight (postmarked).

Shipments from abroad: by carriers such as UPS, Fedex, DHL or other before Friday, May 10, 2024 midnight (postmarked).

NB - We inform you that customs fees may be applied to international shipments and more specifically to shipments from countries outside the European Union.

Make sure you are in compliance with the pricing of the country from which you are sending your file.

If necessary, we will find ourselves unable to pay these costs and therefore refuse the package, invalidating the application.

For any additional information, you can write to
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