



OPEN CALL FOR ARTISTS

THE MAGNIFICENT FOUR

Fire Earth Water Air

OPEN SKY CONTEMPORARY ART FESTIVAL

Salema-Algarve-Portugal

19.20.21 APRIL 2024

Curated by Massimo Casagrande

EARLY DEADLINE JANUARY 15

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The International Cultural Association Vernice Contemporanea presents in collaboration with the Salema Eco Camp “The Magnificent Four”, an international open sky contemporary art festival. The project on the theme of the four natural elements: Fire, Earth, Water and Air, elements that well characterize the south of the Portuguese coast.

The event will be hosted in a part of the Salema Eco Camp nature park, one of the best eco-sustainable campsites on the Vicentina coast. For the occasion the affected area will be set up following the model of the best art fairs.

In addition to the exhibition offer, local schools will be involved who will be able to get to know the artists and their works through guided tours, workshops and round tables will be organized with scientists and intellectuals who are experts in the proposed theme. There will be no shortage of convivial moments where the best chefs and bartenders in the area will present exclusive recipes interpreting Fire, Earth, Water and Air.

OPEN CALL

The international selections therefore open for artists already accredited by official critics and emerging talents who will have the task of realizing the proposed theme through contemporary art. This project aims to focus on how the harmonious interaction between the four elements has always been the basis of life and survival on Earth and how this has inspired artists, scientists and thinkers in their field to face and portray the beautiful and dark sides of Fire, Earth, Water and Air.

ART PRIZE

The Magnificent Four will not only be an important collective exhibition but will also be a prize that will be awarded to 3 artists who have distinguished themselves for the quality and originality of the work presented. Each of the three winners will be awarded an exclusive design plaque of merit and a refund of the participation fee.

APPLICATIONS

Interested artists can apply through painting, sculpture, graphics, photography, installations, video art, performance, sound and light design, interactive projects and any other art form as long as it is consistent with the proposed theme.

For works hung on the wall, the maximum exhibition layout of 100 cm base and 200 cm height must be respected.

For installations, sculptures, video art, interactive projects and any other form of art it is necessary to contact the organizational secretariat.

Candidates must send their project in a single PDF file no later than February 15, 2024 containing:

- photo of the work or intellectual project
- Artistic biography
- Artist statement

The requested documentation must be sent by email to:
themagnificentfour2024@gmail.com and the file must be named SURNAME
NAME_TMF2024

In case of selection, the necessary material for the publication of the catalogue will be requested.

The deadline may be brought forward if the projects presented are already deemed suitable for the success of the festival.

Exhibition spaces are limited.

It is also necessary to send this document filled in with the requested data and signed.

PARTICIPATION FEE

To partially cover organizational expenses, a participation fee of Euro 150 is required. In case of selection, the artist must pay the participation fee by bank transfer within 5 days of selection to:

Vernice Contemporanea

IBAN: IT36B0839960760000000123437

REASON: PARTICIPATION FEE FOR THE MAGNIFICENT FOUR PROJECT

The participation fee includes:

- Art prize nomination
- Press and communication office
- Design and printing of catalogues, flyers, posters, banners and gadget
- Reception of works
- Exhibition set up
- Exhibition space dedicated to the artist
- Staff responsible for guarding the works
- Inaugural party
- Disassembly Exhibition
- Assistance in shipping the work to the sender

ARTISTS WHO JOIN BY JANUARY 15TH WILL HAVE A 20% DISCOUNT ON THE CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED TO SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONAL COSTS.

EXHIBITION DATES AND LOCATION

19.20.21 April 2024

Salema Eco Camp natural park

DELIVERY AND COLLECTION OF WORKS

- Delivery date and method will be communicated at the end of the selections
- The transport costs of the works to the beginning/end of the exhibitions remain the responsibility of the artists
- For logistical reasons, the return of the works will be organized by our organization and entrusted to one of our trusted couriers.
- The shipping cost will be communicated after taking note of the measurements and weight of the packaging.
- The artist must communicate whether or not he wants to insure the return transport of the work

WE REMEMBER TO USE REUSABLE, SAFE AND RESISTANT PACKAGING AND TO APPLY THE HOOKS FOR THE WALL WORKS IF NECESSARY. FOR DELICATE WORKS WE RECOMMEND THE USE OF A FRAME OR OTHER SUPPORT WITH PLEXIGLASS PROTECTION.

DISCLAIMER

The organizers, despite taking the utmost care of the works received, do not assume any responsibility for any damage during transport, tampering, fire, theft or other causes during all phases of the event, exhibitions and storage. The Candidate grants the organizers and their collaborators the use of the images and data provided for the promotion of the event. In case of bad weather the event will be moved to the first available date. If the event cannot be held due to force majeure, the participation fee will be refunded.

ACCEPTANCE

Signing this announcement implies the unconditional acceptance by the participants of all the clauses and indications contained in reference to the project The Magnificent Four.

THE CANDIDATE

SURNAME AND NAME

ADDRESS (valid for returning the work)

TELEPHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

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Organizational secretariat:

themagnificentfour2024@gmail.com

Hours: Monday to Friday from 10:00 to 18:00

The Magnificent Four is a project of the Vernice Contemporanea Cultural Association.

Registered office:

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