

5. INTERNATIONAL WATERCOLOUR SMALL FORMAT FESTIVAL MINI CASTRA 2024



Watercolour by: Christine Berlinson-Esser

EXHIBITION:

- Date of the exhibition: August 31st to October 5th;
- Opening ceremony and award issuing: August 31st (Saturday);
- Traditional international 2-day watercolour plain air: August 30th and 31st (Friday & Saturday).

WATERCOLOUR:

- Topic: landscape, people, city, abstract, still life;
- **Without passepartout and without frames;**
- maximum 2 years old (from 2022);
- format: maximum 21 x 29.7 cm (8.3 x 11.7 in)
- One watercolour artist can participate with a maximum of 4 artworks.

PART 1

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION:

- The watercolour artist can apply via the application form on this link: <https://forms.gle/d2Zdz4FncCFefLPw5>
- Application deadline is April 26th.
- The professional art committee will inform the selected authors on May 6th;
- All selected artists will receive an e-mail with detailed instructions about how to send the original watercolour and pay the participation fee.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SENDING DIGITAL PHOTOS OF YOUR WATERCOLOURS:

- Format: .jpg / .jpeg;
- Size: the longest side 1700 pixels (between 2 M pixels and 3 M pixels);
- Resolution: min 150 dpi;
- Title: **Name and Surname – Country – Title – Year – Size – Price;**
- The watercolour artwork must be unframed.
- **Your digital photo will appear in the catalogue so please, send us the best quality photo!**

PART 2

PARTICIPATION FEE:

- You only pay if you are informed that your artworks were selected for the exhibition.
- Payment deadline: June 14th;
- If you want to receive the catalogue in digital form, the participation fee is the following:
 - citizens from EU **60 EUR**,
 - citizens outside EU **70 EUR**.
- If you want to receive the catalogue in printed form, the participation fee is the following:
 - citizens from EU **65 EUR**,
 - citizens outside EU **75 EUR**.

For every artist, the participation fee covers the exhibition in the Lokar gallery, the catalogue, the promotion of the works and selling assistance.

The shipping and the return of the original watercolours is done by the artists via DHL or DPD, where the artists can track their shipping and the delivery is very fast (up to 5 days). In the next document, you will receive instructions on how to arrange the shipment of your artworks.

You will receive detailed information if your artworks are selected to the exhibition.

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2024:

• April 26:	Deadline for sending the digital photo of your watercolours
• May 6:	Announcement of the selected artworks
• May 15:	Deadline for sending the original watercolours from your country (at the post office, DHL, etc.)
• June 14:	Deadline for paying the participation fee
• August 30 & 31:	International watercolour extempore in Planina and Ajdovščina
• August 31:	Mini Castra 2024 opening ceremony and award issuing
• October 5:	End of the exhibition
• November 30:	Deadline for sending back the original watercolours
• December 31	Award payment

AWARDS:

- By the end of June 2024, the professional art committee will select 5 awarded watercolours and 10 diplomas. They will be published on the website of [Mini Castra 2024](#), on [IWS Slovenia](#) and [Lokar gallery Facebook Fan Pages](#).

Awards:

- 1st award: 500 €, granted by the Municipality of Ajdovščina
 - 3 sponsor awards: 300 € each
 - Solo exhibition in the Lokar gallery
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- The awards are in **gross** price. The award will be paid off by the end of the year 2024.
 - In order to pay you the award, we will need your **Tax Identification Number**.
 - The awarded watercolours remain to the organizer regardless the selling price.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- All exposed watercolours are on sale, but if you do not wish to sell the artworks, do not write the price.
- The catalogue of Mini Castra 2024 (printed or digital) will be sent to the artists together with their original watercolours after the end of the exhibition.
- Every artist arranges the shipping by themselves via DHL or DPD.
- The Lokar Gallery reserves the right to reproduce and exhibit any work accepted, for promotional or cultural purposes.
- Although all works will be handled with maximum care, the Lokar Gallery will assume no responsibility for any damage or loss that may occur.
- The artworks will be sent back via private courier and the artist pays for the shipping. The Lokar gallery is not responsible for any loss or damage that occurs after handing over the packages to the courier.
- The works that do not adhere exactly to these rules will not be sent back.
- By sending your artwork and paying the participation fee you agree with the all above terms and conditions.