



maltabiennale.art 2026

Call for Artistic Director maltabiennale.art 2026

2nd Edition of the maltabiennale.art

Heritage Malta is looking to recruit an **Artistic Director for the second edition of the maltabiennale.art** which will be held between **March and May 2026**. Malta's biennale is spearheaded by Heritage Malta and seeks to include considerable inputs and the active participation of other local cultural entities. Its inaugural edition was held in 2024 under the patronage of the President of Malta and UNESCO.

Heritage Malta is Malta's national agency for cultural heritage. It manages more than ninety museums, monuments and heritage sites spanning 8000 years of history, among which are seven World Heritage Sites and fifteen underwater sites. Heritage Malta also manages Malta's national collections. Its responsibilities include prehistoric caves and structures, subterranean passageways, natural and geological landscapes, baroque palaces, ethnography, art, military and maritime collections, and industrial heritage, among others.

The maltabiennale.art is hosted in selected Heritage Malta museums and historical sites across Malta and Gozo, as an integral part of the agency's vision of making its museums and sites relevant to today's society, to link the past with the contemporary through art, and to address today's issues by creating dialogue, attracting a wider audience and facilitating cultural transformation.

This international contemporary art festival is organized by Heritage Malta through its National Museum of Art, MUŻA. The biennale is funded by the Government of Malta and its official languages are Maltese and English.



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Recruitment Information

- Position: Artistic Director for the maltabiennale.art 2026
- Application period: August 15 – September 23, 2024
- Position period: January 2025 – July 2026

Requirements:

- Curatorial expertise related to contemporary art and exhibition planning experience for the past 5 years
- Dedication to contemporary art based on the identity of the maltabiennale.art
- Visit and stay in Malta for a sufficient period of time
- Motivation letter highlighting the applicant's curatorial vision for the next maltabiennale.art that continues to make it distinctive from other biennials

Most important roles

- Develop the curatorial concept and exhibition plan, select artists and artworks and effectively liaise with the production team for the installation and dismantling of exhibition works
- Produce related texts for exhibition, official guide and official catalogue
- Recommend members of the jury for official awards
- Contribute to the development of a public programme in collaboration with Heritage Malta teams, with particular attention to public engagement and educational programmes



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- Work closely and cooperate with the maltabiennale.art's executive team and units, and Heritage Malta's museums' and sites' curatorial team

(An information package will be forwarded on submission of a completed application)

Timeline and requirements

- End of September/beginning of October – Announcement of selected candidates for interviews
- October to end of November – Interviews
- Mid-December – Announcement of selected artistic director
- Documents to be submitted: Application form, curriculum vitae, motivation letter (not more than 1000 words) highlighting the applicant's curatorial vision for the next maltabiennale.art that continues to make it distinctive from other biennials
- Download the application [HERE](#)
- **Send the application form and requested documentation via email to president@maltabiennale.art by not later than noon (Central European Time) of 23rd September 2024**
- Interviews of candidates based overseas will be conducted online, unless candidates wish to travel to Malta at their own expense

Notes:

- Schedules are subject to change
- The maltabiennale.art is not responsible for errors and/or failure to adhere to application guidelines



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- False statements and information submitted will result in exclusion from the selection process
- Any queries are to be directed to info@maltabiennale.art
- Visit www.maltabiennale.art for information about the first edition
- Visit www.heritagemalta.org for information about Heritage Malta and its museums and sites