

LOEWE FOUNDATION

Established as a private cultural FOUNDATION in 1988 by Enrique Loewe Lynch, a fourth-generation member of LOEWE's founding family, today under the direction of his daughter Sheila Loewe, the FOUNDATION continues to promote creativity, educational programmes and to safeguard heritage in the fields of poetry, dance, design and craft, photography, and architecture. In 2002, the LOEWE FOUNDATION was awarded the Gold Medal for Merit in the Fine Arts, the highest honour granted by the Spanish Government.

In accordance with LOEWE's ambition to further safeguard its craft legacy of 170 years of history, the FOUNDATION has created the 'LOEWE Craft Prize', an annual international prize which celebrates excellence in craftsmanship.

Craftsmen who leave their individual imprint on their work dig into the quicksands of art and claim the chance of making trades flourish once again, recycling and not forgetting the past.

The Loewe Foundation believes that the artistic vision describes the craft that will make a better future.

Rules of Entry

LOEWE Craft Prize 2017

The LOEWE FOUNDATION, a Spanish company based in Goya 4, 28001 Madrid, Spain, with registered ID Number (CIF): G-78772266 is launching, in collaboration with LOEWE S.A, a Spanish company based in Goya 4, 28001 Madrid, Spain, with registered ID Number (CIF): A28003861, an open call for the first LOEWE Craft Prize 2017, hereafter referred to as 'Craft Prize'.

Aim

The aim of this Prize is to disseminate and raise awareness of the work of talented craftspeople, sharing their greatest achievements. The LOEWE FOUNDATION aims to recognise outstanding works that show artistic vision and innovation, and which reflect the personal language and distinct hand of their maker. The LOEWE FOUNDATION aims to support artistic craft and acknowledge leading artisans from around the world at the forefront of their fields. The winning work should reinterpret tradition to make it relevant now and demonstrate the continuing valuable contribution to the culture of our time.

Prize

The Prize for the winning piece of work is fifty thousand euros (50,000 euros).

Prizes will be subject to the withholding of the corresponding Spanish personal income tax (Impuesto sobre la Renta de las Personas Físicas, IRPF) in accordance with current legislation in Spain.

The works created by the Winner and Finalists will be included in the exhibition 'LOEWE Craft Prize 2017' (herein after 'the Exhibition') and its accompanying catalogue, on view in Madrid in May 2017, and which subsequently may travel to other cities in Europe, Asia and the United States.

Conditions of Entry

All participants must be professional artisans 18 years or older. Entries may be made by an individual or collective (as a 'team submission'). Businesses and mercantile companies of any kind are excluded. All nationalities are welcome.

Each participant can present a piece of work or a collection (henceforth, 'the Work'). This should fall within an area of the applied arts and, as a guide, within the following categories: ceramics, bookbinding, enamelwork, jewellery, lacquer, metal, furniture, leather, textiles, glass, etc.

Materials and products outside the categories listed are not excluded; they may be accepted by the Experts Panel if they comply with the aim and requirements of the competition.

The prize-winning Work must:

- Be an original piece, handmade or partly handmade,
- Have been recently created (in the last decade),
- Be a one-off piece,
- Have won no prizes previously,
- Be innovative, in the sense that it updates tradition,
- Demonstrate artistic intent.

In any case, the Work must not be merely an industrial design, nor merely utilitarian.

Each maker may participate with a maximum of three entries as an individual or collective in each call. Works presented in previous calls of this competition will not be admitted.

In case of detection of any irregularity in the conditions of entry, the participant may be disqualified and his/her application may not be considered.

Submission of Entries

Entries must be submitted through the www.loewecraftprize.com webpage from 12 April 2016 to 30 November 2016 inclusive, on which date the period for entry will be deemed closed.

Each participant must include the following information, in English:

- Entry form, which shall include, among other information, the name of the Work, its measurements, its material, its weight, the category in which it is entered, the name of the maker or group, date and place of birth, contact telephone number, email and postal address.
- Short biographical note of the maker.
- Copy of passport or official ID document.
- Brief conceptual statement about the Work (not more than 200 words).
- Photographs of the Work: a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 5 photographs will be needed, taken from different perspectives and at least one of them should show the scale of the work. Each photo should be taken with a neutral background and sent in jpg or png format, minimum size 800 x 600 px and maximum size 6 Mb.
- Optionally, a video of the Work showing the different perspectives, with a maximum duration of 1 minute, and maximum size 20 Mb in mp4 format.

All entries presented through the webpage www.loewecraftprize.com will be confidential. Only LOEWE, the LOEWE FOUNDATION, the Experts Panel and the Jury will have access to them.

Only the winning and the finalist Works will be made public.

Experts Panel

An Experts Panel will shortlist between 15 and 30 Works from among all the entries submitted. These finalists (hereafter called the 'Finalists') will be then submitted to the Jury for their final decision.

In this call, the Experts Panel will be composed of:

- John Allen, master weaver and textile designer.
- Claudi Casanovas, ceramist.
- Sara Die Trill, LOEWE accessories designer.
- Ramón Puig Cuyàs, jewellery artist.
- Markku Salo, glass artist.
- Anatxu Zabalbeascoa (Executive Secretary), architecture and design correspondent for El País.

Reception and Return of Finalists' Works

The Experts Panel will deliberate and take their decision during the month of February 2017. After their decision is reached, the LOEWE FOUNDATION will get in touch with all the Finalists by means of the telephone number and/or email included in the entry form.

The Finalists' Works must be in Madrid before 15 March 2017 for the Jury's deliberation and to form part of the Exhibition.

The Finalists will be responsible for suitably packaging their Works. LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION will organise their transport to Madrid and will cover all transport costs incurred in this process, as well as any customs duties, taxes, insurance, and the like.

Any Finalists' Work that cannot be transported to Madrid, or which does not arrive in time for the Jury's deliberation, may be automatically disqualified.

The Exhibition may travel to Europe, Asia and the United States of America for approximately two years after the results of the Prize are made public.

Upon the end of the Exhibition, LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION will return the Works to their respective makers and will also cover all the transport expenses and insurances incurred in this process.

LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION alone shall decide on the arrangement and placing of the Works during the Exhibition, and reserve the right not to exhibit Works that have suffered any damage.

LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION shall take all the measures at their disposal to conserve and safeguard the Works during the Exhibition, and, where applicable, will be liable under the provisions of the insurance policy contracted for this period.

Jury

The Jury for this call will be made up of:

- Jonathan Anderson, LOEWE Creative Director.
- Gijs Bakker, jewellery artist and co-founder of Droog Design.
- Rolf Fehlbaum, former CEO and soul of Vitra.
- Naoto Fukasawa, designer and Director of the Japan Folk Crafts Museum.
- Enrique Loewe, LOEWE FOUNDATION Honorary President.
- Deyan Sudjic, essayist and Director of Design Museum, London.
- Benedetta Tagliabue, architect and Pritzker Prize jury member.
- Stefano Tonchi, Editor-in-Chief of W Magazine.
- Patricia Urquiola, architect and industrial designer.
- Anaxu Zabalbeascoa (Chairwoman), architecture and design correspondent for El País.

Winning Work

The Jury will deliberate and take their decision during the month of April 2017. After their decision is reached, the LOEWE FOUNDATION will get in touch with the Winner (herein after 'the Winner') using the telephone and/or email included in the entry form, before the act in which the Jury makes their decision public.

The LOEWE FOUNDATION will invite the Winner to Madrid for the prize-winning ceremony and the opening of the Exhibition in May 2017.

The Winner will be invited to form part of the Jury in the following call of the Prize.

The Prize Winner shall be selected by an absolute majority of the votes of the Jury. Each member has one vote, with the Chairman of the Jury holding a casting vote.

The decision of the Jury shall be final. No appeal shall be admitted. The Jury's deliberations shall remain confidential.

The Jury is not required to select a Prize Winner if the quality of the applications is not deemed to meet the relevant qualitative criteria. Similarly, the Jury reserves the right to grant any special mention to any Candidate or Finalist at its sole discretion.

Legal Considerations

By submitting a Work to this competition, the participant fully and unconditionally accepts these rules. Violations of these rules may be grounds for disqualifying the participant, in which case his or her Work will be withdrawn from the competition.

Intellectual Property Rights

The Winner and Finalists declare on their honour that the Work they submit is original and has not won any previous awards, and that it does not violate or infringe trademarks, Copyrights, Design or Model, or any other industrial and/or Intellectual Property Rights, or any third party rights, including image, patronym rights and/or rights over the voices.

Also the Winner and Finalists expressly declare and guarantee that the Work entered in the competition fully meets the stipulations of current legislation on the rights to honour, personal and family privacy and reputation, protection of personal data, as well as industrial and intellectual property and any other regulations that may apply.

The Winner and Finalists also declare that they have not licensed, assigned nor transferred the ownership over the Intellectual Property Rights, nor the material title of their Work, in whole or in part to any third party.

The Winner and Finalists agree and undertake to respond to any judicial, extra-judicial or any other claim relating to copyright or any other rights, which may be brought against the LOEWE FOUNDATION and/or LOEWE, and consequently hold the aforementioned harmless from any liability with regard to the provisions of this paragraph.

The Winner and the Finalists agree to automatically grant to LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION, upon disclosure of the final results, an exclusive worldwide license, free of charge, for a period of 2 years on all Intellectual Property Rights related to their Work, (hereafter 'the License') in view of the Exhibition, its preparation and related communication including the Catalogue, as well as in view of communicating on the Prize, and the project related to the Prize, and in a general manner, the LOEWE FOUNDATION's activities, in particular: the right to reproduce the Work (adapting right included) using any and all methods; the right to represent the Work in all media and using any methods, known and unknown to date; and full rights to translate and subtitle the Works in any language if needed, in whole or in part.

The License shall benefit LOEWE, the LOEWE FOUNDATION and any person or legal entity designated by LOEWE, including its distributors, licensees, and commercial partners and within the LVMH Group to which LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION belong.

LOEWE, the LOEWE FOUNDATION LOEWE and the LVMH Group shall be also authorized to use directly or indirectly, in perpetuity, worldwide, directly or indirectly, the Works for internal Company presentations, for internal communications, for external corporate information, for cultural, training, teaching, or information purposes, for internal and external retrospectives, internal and external exhibitions and books, including corresponding promotional materials.

LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION reserve the right not to use the Works in whole or in part.

During the term of the License, LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION only authorize the Winner and the Finalists to use the Works on their personal Website and personal social network pages for professional reference purposes, and only after first disclosure of the Works by LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION. Any other use of the Works shall be subject to LOEWE's and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION's prior written authorization.

Any mutual reference between the participants, Winner or Finalists, and LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION that could be considered detrimental to its image and/or reputation is also prohibited, before, during and after the term of the License.

Any participant in this Craft Prize acknowledges that, in taking part in it (and in the Exhibition and its communication as regards the Winner and Finalists), he/she acquires no Intellectual Property Rights whatsoever on any sign or creation belonging to LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION, including but not limited to the Trademarks, Designs, Copyrights, and that any use of the said signs or creations can give rise to civil and criminal proceedings.

Protection of Personal Data

In compliance with Article 5 of Act 15/99 of December 13, Protection of Personal Data, all data submitted for participation in the prize will be incorporated into an automated file duly registered with the Spanish Data Protection Agency, with the objective of offering information on the cultural events programmed by LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION, the monitoring and management of the prizes awarded, monitoring of the winning entries and of participants, as well as public communication of the winners of the prizes. LOEWE FOUNDATION, with registered address at Calle Goya 4, 28001 Madrid, Spain, is responsible for the file. Participants agree that the data supplied in the course of this contest will be transferred to other companies in the LOEWE GROUP for the purposes specified in this clause and any other communication from LOEWE to participants (mailing, catalogues, events etc.). The interested party may revoke their consent and exercise rights of access, rectification, cancellation and opposition to the aforementioned data controller at the address indicated.

The personal data of the Winner and the Finalists may be published by LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION in any means at their disposal, such as its website www.loewecraftprize.com, or on social media in order to promote the Prize and ensure its transparency.

Communication

The Winner and Finalists agree that they shall not make any press announcement, press release or any other communication concerning the Craft Prize and/or the Exhibition without LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION's prior written consent.

The Winner and Finalists agree to make themselves available to LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION, for the subsequent promotion and dissemination of the Prize.

Furthermore, LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION on the one hand, the Winner, the Finalists and any participant for the Prize on the other hand, commit to always refer to each other in professional and favourable terms, in any press announcement, press release or any other communication.

LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION will mention the name of the makers in connection with the Works when using them. They shall also be free to communicate about the Winner and the Finalists, and to credit them in any communication and/or promotional material and tools, in accordance with the use provided within the above paragraphs regarding Intellectual Property Rights.

For communication purposes, LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION shall be authorized to use the name, biography and likeness of the Winner and of the Finalists in any media whatsoever, in accordance with the use provided within the above paragraphs regarding Intellectual Property Rights.

Material ownership over the Winner and Finalists' Works

Upon the end of the two year License's period and in the event that the Winner and/or the Finalists decide to sell the material ownership of their Work, LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION shall benefit from a pre-emptive right, namely that the Work shall be first proposed to LOEWE and/or the LOEWE FOUNDATION for sale.

General

LOEWE and the LOEWE FOUNDATION reserve the right to withdraw, suspend, extend or modify the Craft Prize without any prior notice in case of any unforeseen circumstances outside its reasonable control or in case of force majeure that may hinder the scheduled procedure of this Prize.

These rules are available in Spanish, English and Japanese. The Spanish version shall prevail.

These rules and all rights and obligations herein, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the Laws of Spain. Any proceeding and/or legal action arising out of, or in connection with these rules and in a general manner with the Prize, shall be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts and Tribunals of Madrid, Spain.