

Statutes of the LINSTOW ART AWARD

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1. The Linstow Art Award (“**LAA**”) is an annual professional art award donated to three young artists who have graduated from the Master’s Program of LMA. Graduates also include artists who completed their studies at the LMA Master’s within a three-year period prior to the respective calendar year. Eligible programs are Visual arts, Visuals and plastic arts, Audio visual and media arts, Design (Functional, Fashion, Metal, Service design). The recipients are recognized for their outstanding artistic achievements.
- 1.2. The mission of the LAA is to give long-term support to young Latvian artists, ensuring a stronger art community and a lasting presence of art in the city.
- 1.3. The LAA includes a monetary award of gross amount 3515 EUR (three thousand five hundred fifteen euro) and a one-year studio usage by providing the art studio premises in Sporta 2 creative district, along with the opportunity to exhibit artworks in exhibitions.
- 1.4. The LAA shall be awarded once every year, at an award presentation ceremony to be held during the LMA Master’s graduation day.
- 1.5. The awarding project of the LAA shall be organized and coordinated by Linstow and LMA.

2. NUMBER AND AMOUNT OF LAA ART AWARD

- 2.1. Three LAA awardees shall be announced annually. The winners of the LAA shall receive:
 - 2.1.1. A monetary award to the gross value of 3515 EUR (three thousand five hundred fifteen euro).
 - 2.1.2. An art studio space in Sporta 2 creative district (approximate area of 25m²), Riga for one (1) year.
- 2.2. The source of funding for LAA is a donation from Linstow and/or other Linstow group companies. The monetary LAA award shall be of gross amount of 3515 EUR (three thousand five hundred fifteen euro) per one awardee and the total monetary award shall be of gross amount of 10 545 EUR (ten thousand five hundred forty five euro) per year.
 - 2.2.1. The LAA and all expenses related to LAA shall be provided by Linstow and/or other Linstow group companies.
 - 2.2.2. The LAA monetary award is paid by in cooperation with the LMA foundation “Tones fonds” in relation to which separate agreements will be signed between “Tones fonds” and the respective Linstow group companies.
 - 2.2.3. Provision of the art studio space in Sporta 2 creative district, Riga will be regulated by separate agreements between the LMA foundation “Tones fonds” and/or the LMA, awardees and the respective Linstow group companies.

3. CANDIDATES AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1. Students eligible to apply for the LAA must have successfully graduated from the LMA Master’s programs in the Visual Arts, Visual and Plastic Arts, Design or Audiovisual Media Art during the respective calendar year or the previous three-year period.
- 3.2. The LAA shall be awarded in recognition of LMA Master’s graduates achievements and artwork criteria:
 - 3.2.1. Artistic and thematic features – concept and idea, content and form. The readability and relevance of the message.
 - 3.2.2. Creativity and originality of the artwork idea, new methods, individual vision.
 - 3.2.3. The quality of the artwork and concept - idea, content, style, language etc.

4. THE LAA JURY

- 4.1. International experts of LAA jury (“**Jury**”), by evaluating the LAA applicants' success and their compliance with the requirements specified in this regulation, makes the decision regarding the awarding of the LAA award.

- 4.2. The Jury consists of 5-7 experts on contemporary art and design. Members of the Jury are selected by Linstow. At least one Jury member shall be nominated by LMA. Jury Leader will be selected by Linstow.
- 4.3. The Jury shall make the decision regarding the winners of the LAA according to the following procedures:
 - 4.3.1. The Jury evaluates the applications in a closed voting and then meet to discuss and deliberate the three winners of the award.
 - 4.3.2. If Jury cannot reach agreement regarding LAA winners, Jury leader will under extraordinary circumstances cast two votes after discussion with Linstow representatives.
 - 4.3.3. Any decision of the Jury in relation to any matter relating to the LAA is final. Reasons will not be given for any such decision and the Jury will not enter into any correspondence regarding the merits of any submissions or decision.
- 4.4. Linstow reserves its right to update or amend the Jury procedures at any time. Linstow will make reasonable efforts to ensure such update or amendment is identified on the website of Linstow (www.linstowbaltic.lv).

5. SUBMISSION FOR THE LAA

- 5.1. The LAA is announced on the website of Linstow and LMA (www.linstowbaltic.lv and www.lma.lv), as well as in the LMA informational materials for the funding program.
- 5.2. The announcement includes the requirements for applicants, the application procedure, the required documentation, the application deadline, and the submission address, as well as other relevant information necessary for the LAA competition process.
- 5.3. Detailed information about the competition and the competition regulations are available on the websites www.linstowbaltic.lv and www.lma.lv.

6. APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR THE LAA COMPETITION

- 6.1. The announcement of the LAA for 2025 is on May 6, 2025 with the application deadline until May 30, 2025. Dates for the following years shall be announced separately.
- 6.2. To apply for the LAA competition, the applicant must complete the online application form, which includes:
 - 6.2.1. Artwork concept description;
 - 6.2.2. Images of the artwork;
 - 6.2.3. Video introduction of the artist;
 - 6.2.4. CV;
 - 6.2.5. Artworks portfolio;
 - 6.2.6. Applicant's details (name, surname, contact information, year of graduation, art program of studies at LMA, and an optional personal website or online portfolio).
- 6.3. The application must be submitted electronically on Linstow website www.linstowbaltic.lv.
- 6.4. The Jury, if necessary, has the right to request additional documents and information beyond those listed in section 6.2.
- 6.5. The contact person for questions about LAA application is listed on Linstow website.

7. EVALUATION AND AWARD PROCEDURE

- 7.1. All submitted applications are evaluated by the Jury.
- 7.2. The decision of three LAA awardees is made by the Jury, based on the applicant's given information according to evaluation criteria:
 - 7.2.1. previous work and future potential of the artist;
 - 7.2.2. formal and thematic aspects of the artwork and the relationship between both.
 - 7.2.3. craftsmanship in the execution of the artwork, technical skills.
 - 7.2.4. relevance of the message of the artwork.
- 7.3. The LAA winners will be announced on LMA Master's graduation day and published on Linstow and LMA websites www.linstowbaltic.lv and www.lma.lv. The winner announcement date in 2025 is June 20. Dates for the following years shall be announced separately.

8. LAA AWARD PAYMENT PROCEDURE

- 8.1. Three LAA winners are awarded the LAA monetary award of 3515 EUR (three thousand five hundred fifteen euro) and art studio rent in Sporta 2 creative district in Riga for one year.
- 8.2. The LAA monetary award is paid based on the decision of the Jury.
- 8.3. The LAA monetary award shall be paid in a single lump sum within 30 days of the official LAA award ceremony.
- 8.4. The LAA art studio award to the LAA winner of 2024/2025 LMA Master's graduates is given for the period from August 2025 to 31 July 2026 by signing an agreement between the awardee and the respective Linstow group company. Dates for the following years shall be announced separately.
 - 8.4.1. Approved LAA winners must sign an agreement regarding the award with the respective Linstow group company within ten working days of the award ceremony.
 - 8.4.2. The opening of the art studio and the keys to the LAA winner are handed over at a gala event in August, 2025. Date for the following years shall be announced separately.

9. COMMITMENTS EXPECTED FROM THE LAA CANDIDATES AND WINNERS

- 9.1. By submitting an application for the LAA the candidates agree and confirm that:
 - 9.1.1. Linstow or any of its authorized representatives are granted license to reproduce the artwork which has been submitted as part of the application for the purpose of being displayed publicly online (for an indefinite period of time), to display the artwork in the premises of LMA and/or in other public environment;
 - 9.1.2. the name of applicant can be used in connection with the display of the artwork;
 - 9.1.3. the applicant is the sole holder of all copyrights associated with the artwork;
 - 9.1.4. the artwork does not violate or infringe upon any third party's rights, including their intellectual property rights;
 - 9.1.5. the copyrights in the artwork has not been exclusively licensed, granted or otherwise assigned and/or transferred to any third party for a period of 10 (ten) years after the date of application.
- 9.2. By submitting an application for the LAA the candidates agree that they will have the following obligations in case they are selected as the winners of LAA:
 - 9.2.1. to participate in the LAA award ceremony;
 - 9.2.2. to use the art studio space in accordance with the regulations that will be provided in the agreement on the use of the art studio space, including to:
 - 9.2.2.1. participate in open studio events organized at Sporta 2 creative district, including such exhibitions and other events that will take place in the common space available for the use of all LAA winners, as well as in the art studio spaces designated for the individual use of the LAA winners;
 - 9.2.2.2. to ensure that their artworks are available for display in Sporta 2 creative district, as well as other premises of Linstow group companies;
 - 9.2.2.3. to participate in other public relations events organized by Linstow.
- 9.3. The status of the awardee may be revoked if it is determined that the awardee has engaged in activities that violate the public order of Latvia or if the applicant is involved in criminal conduct. In such cases, Linstow shall have the right to decide on the annulment of any benefits or recognition of the awardee.

10. FINAL PROVISIONS

- 10.1. The general public shall have access to these Statutes of LAA on the website www.linstowbaltic.lv and www.lma.lv.
- 10.2. Amendments to the Statutes of the LAA can be made by an agreement between Linstow and LMA.
- 10.3. Any amendments of the Statutes of the LAA shall be published on the abovementioned websites.