The François Bret Prize
2022  Art & design

of the Fine Arts College of Marseille (Beaux-Arts de Marseille) — INSEAMM
National Institute of Higher Arts Education of the Mediterranean, Marseille

Announcement of the 2022 winners,
Thursday August 25, 2022 at 6 pm

Art-o-rama International contemporary art fair
5th floor, Panorama Tower
Friche la Belle de Mai
41, rue Jobin Marseille, 3rd

Exhibition / August 25, 26, 27, 28

The François Bret Prize of the Fine Arts College of Marseilles is awarded each year by a jury of professionals to two young graduates of the College, one in art, one in design, who are put in the spotlight during the Art-o-rama fair and mentored by the members of the jury.

The painter François Bret was the director who convinced the municipality of Marseilles in the late 60’s to build the school on the Luminy campus (located next to the Calanques National Park in the south of the city). Involved in the reform of art and architecture education in the seventies, he was, for example, one of the first directors in France to give photography a proper place in an art school, by inviting Lucien Clergue (a famous French photographer from Arles, France) among others. He also welcomed the “Supports/Surfaces” painters to the Art College and gave an opportunity to the famous sculptor César to teach there. It is under his direction that the school entered a new era.

In 1976, the young local art scene had an exhibition in the Museum of Modern Arts in Paris. Giving the name of François Bret to this Prize doesn’t mean looking backwards but building a bright future on deep historical roots.

The School of Fine Arts of Marseilles is an establishment of the National Institute of Higher Arts Education of the Mediterranean (INSEAMM), with the Conservatory Pierre Barbizet, and the Institute of Artistic Training Mediterranean (IFAMM).

Jury 2022
– Jean-Noël Bret / art historian and son of François Bret
– Bernard Boyer / artist
– Céline Ghisleri / director of Voyons voir, art contemporain et territoire
– Adrien Lacroix / head of South-East Region at AGUTTES Auction House and grandson of François Bret
– Elise Poitevin / co-artistic director, in charge of production and cultural development, SISSI club gallery
– Jérôme Pantalacci / director of Art-o-rama

Previous laureates
2021
Keanu Lebon — Prize winner art department
Alban Magd — Prize winner design department

2020
Lucian Moriyama — Prize winner art department
Estelle Pierson — Prize winner design department

2019
Luisa Ardila Camacho — Prize winner art department
Abdelkrim Benimam — Prize winner design department

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