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XII EDICIÓN

OPEN PORTFOLIO

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**ENCUENTRO INTERNACIONAL DE LA
GRÁFICA EMERGENTE**

INTERNATIONAL MEETING OF
EMERGING GRAPHIC ARTIST

OPEN CALL
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**SALA
REKALDE
(BILBAO)**

**SEPTEMBER
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Call open until JULY 21th

The event was born twelve years ago with the aim of supporting and giving visibility to the work of new talents in graphics and also to reinforce their professional career.

Open Portfolio is a platform for promotion, dissemination and professionalization of raising talents; over the years, more than 200 artists from all continents have taken part in this contest.

After an international selection carried out through a public call, 2 meetings will take place during 2025, with the purpose of supporting the artistic activity of emerging creators providing them a dissemination platform and a point where experimentation and knowledge intersects.

All of this is possible through an exhibition program where artists meet. Otherwise, they would not have the opportunity to show their work in a professional environment.

GENERAL AIMS

We open the call of the eleventh edition of Open Portfolio in Bilbao with the firm intention to give visibility, support, disseminate and promote emerging artistic practices in the field of unique edition in works on Paper.

The purpose and philosophy of Open Portfolio is defined as a promotion, dissemination and professionalization platform for those emerging artists, and also contemporary art forms, in the field of unique edition works on Paper.

It is conceived as a tool to establish the necessary connection between educational level and professional practice of art.



OPEN CALL -BILBAO

In this step, a maximum of 14 artists will be selected to take part in the Open 2025 meeting.

Among those selected, the jury will decide the six artists to take part in the Open Portfolio- FIG 2025 Fair which will take place from 27 to 30 November at Euskalduna Conference Hall.

The Open days will consist of an exhibition with the presence of artists. Each one will have a rear structure and a table.

» Location:

Sala Rekalde

Dirección: Iparraguirre Kalea, 21, Abando, 48009 Bilbao, Bizkaia

» Schedule:

Día 26:

arrival and assembling

Día 27:

Morning and afternoon session

Día 28:

Morning session

FINAL STEP. NOVEMBER

The eight selected artists will exhibit their work at FIG Bilbao Fair from 27 to 30 November.

Place: Euskalduna Conference Hall.

THE PRESENCE OF THE ARTIST IS ESSENTIAL BOTH ON THE OPEN DAYS AS IN THE FIG BILBAO FAIR.

RECIPIENTS

Open Portfolio is aimed to all those emerging artists whose practice focuses on the field of prints and works on paper or have a highlighted activity in this area.

Artists who have already been selected in previous editions but have a new project can also apply.

SUPPLIES

Open Portfolio will offer to each participant -free of charge- a horizontal linear space (table) for the exhibition of his work and a rear structure.

- It is a professional work presentation, so the Open Portfolio organization will broadcast through the official catalog, official website and other media, as well as through the press releases, the work of the artists presented. The works will be transported, placed and removed from the exhibition space by participants on the dates marked by the organization.
- It is desirable that the works presented will be covered by insurance; otherwise, the artist assumes all responsibility for any damage that for reasons unrelated to FIG organization and Open Portfolio occurred. Works must be shown in a professional presentation, duly signed and with their numbered editions and also they must have a data sheet available to visitors and professionals who request information.
- Prices must be duly shown. Each artist commits to show at least five works for sale at prices equal to or less than 200 €. (+10% VAT).
- The selected artist will receive 200€ for expenses. This amount will be paid once the event has finished.





REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Applications for the XII Open Portfolio must be submitted in a single digital dossier (maximum 10MB PDF format) with the following information in the order described:

DIGITAL DOSSIER (PDF)

- Name of artist
- Telephone number and e-mail
- Artist Statement / CV(maximum 1 page)
- Quality Photographs of the work to be exhibited at Open Portfolio
- Technical details of the works presented indicating title, year, dimensions and technique. Any dossier which does not comply in time and form, or that does not include all of the required documentation will not be taken into account by the jury. The organization reserves the right to request additional information to participants.

DEADLINE

From the day these rules are published until July 21st. Proposals must be sent by e-mail to the following address: openportfolio@figbilbao.com

The jury's decision will be published on the web and e-mailed to artists.

CONDITIONS

1. The organization shall ensure the overall safety of the exposure enclosure during the course of the event. The organization will not be responsible for each work security during opening hours to the public; it will be the responsibility of the authors, in any case. The display material, folders, covers, assembly material, etc., will be provided by the artist.
2. Trade relations are authorized, limited solely to the artist and client, without any intervention by the organization. It is mandatory to have at least five works with price no greater than 200€ (+ 10%VAT).
3. All artists must assemble and disassemble their exhibition and be physically present during the course of the event. They must also be collaborative and participatory in the various proposals for dissemination and communication that will take place during FIG Bilbao 2025.
4. Participation in the XII Open Portfolio implies full acceptance of its rules. Any doubt about the rules shall be decided by the organization. Open Portfolio / FIG Bilbao 2025 may broadcast participants proposals in this program through media, virtual spaces, social networks, etc. and other supports as text, photographs, videos, etc..
5. Punctuality is fundamental. Selected artists will be at least one hour before the beginning of the Open Portfolio.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

It will be made up of expert members in the field of print and contemporary artistic practices.

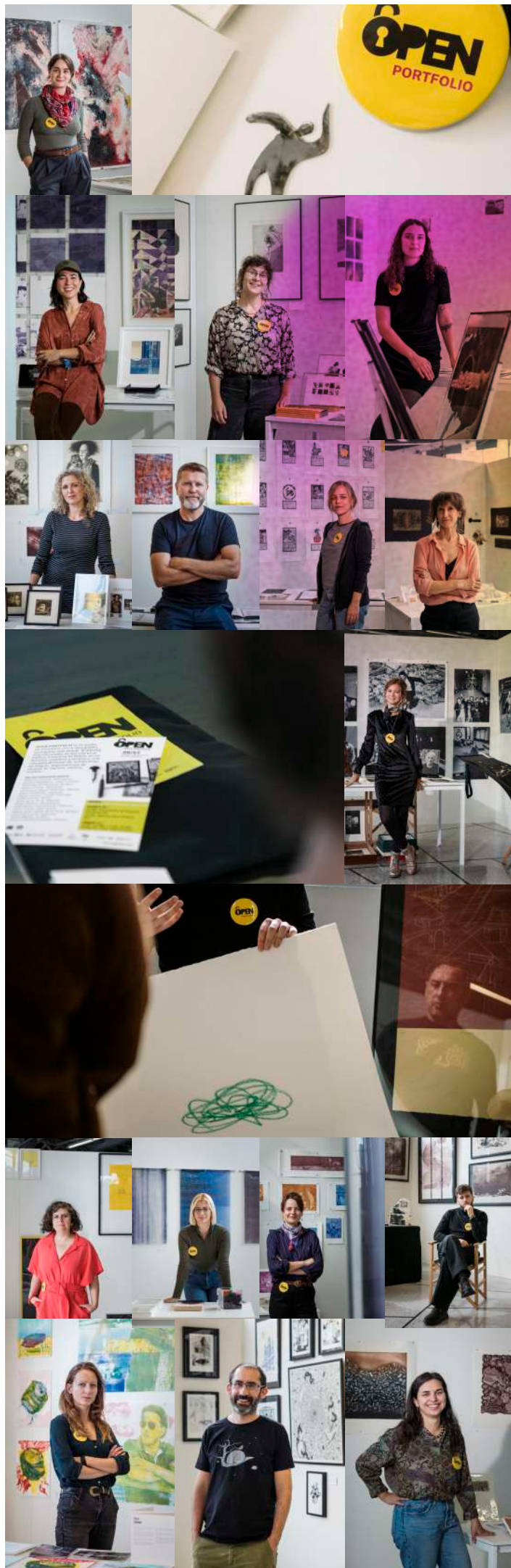
OPEN PORTFOLIO AWARD

The prizes will consist of an exhibition space in the next edition to FIG Bilbao 2025, a residence in the CIEC Foundation in Betanzos, A Coruña and and a residence in Basque Biodesign Center, specialized in Bioart.

The prize may be declared void if the jury considers it appropriate. The jury's decision is final.

The winners will donate a representative piece of art from their work to Open Portfolio whose organization will use for exhibition purposes to disseminate the project.





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