**International Summer School of Art History: Between History and the Present. Styles and Directions in Latvian Art**

Summer school **‘Between History and the Present. Styles and Directions in Latvian Art’** organized by the Department of Art History and Theory of Art Academy of Latvia is designed as an open platform for representatives of different cultures. Within ten days, it will offer an opportunity to sense the imprints and topicality of cultural heritage through the prism of art history styles and directions in Latvia under the guidance of outstanding teachers. The programme offered will be of particular interest for the students and academic staff working in the fields of cultural heritage, art history, art and design, architecture and culture.

Art Academy of Latvia is the only higher education institution in Latvia where the history of European and Latvian art, art history styles, directions, types, cultural history and contemporary art expressions are studied in depth and new ideas are generated. During exciting ten days of the summer school, the participants will get acquainted with the history of Latvian culture, significant examples of Latvian art in European context, expressions of contemporary art, art and art history education opportunities, the most important art institutions in the capital Riga and in the regions of Latvia. The format of the summer school will also allow them to get to know the Latvian cultural landscape and the cultural heritage by participating in excursions to Rīga, Kuldīga, Rēzekne, Daugavpils, Pedvāle and Jūrmala.

**Learning outcomes obtained.** In lectures, seminars, discussions and excursions, the participants of the summer school will get an insight into the art styles and directions in Latvia, art and cultural heritage institutions and, to a lesser extent, also in the Latvian language. There will be created an understanding of Art Academy of Latvia as an important research platform for art.

Programme

As a result of a successfully completed course, it is possible to obtain 3 ECTS

**When?** August 18-27, 2021

**Where?** Latvia: Rīga, Kuldīga, Rēzekne, Daugavpils, Pedvāle and Jūrmala (it is possible that the school will be organised in a distance learning format!)

**Who can participate in the scholarship competition?** The competition for scholarships (10 scholarships in total) is open to students and academic staff from **42 countries**: Azerbaijan, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the People's Republic of China, Croatia, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Japan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Norway, Peru, Poland, South Korea, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, the USA, Uzbekistan, Vietnam.

Participants are selected through a competition, evaluating the content of the aplication form and motivation.

**Participation fee?** Participation in the summer school is paid from the scholarship granted by the State Education Development Agency of Latvia. It includes summer school content (lectures, seminars, and excursions), accommodation and meals 2x a day. Participants must cover their travel, insurance, and visa expenses themselves.

**How to apply?**

By April 1, 2021, to the e-mail address summerschool@lma.lv there must be sent:

1. application form;
2. CV;
3. copy of passport;
4. proof of the English language proficiency (if any);
5. cover letter.

Approved summer school participants will receive an e-mail confirmation by April 30, 2021.

For additional questions about the application procedure, contact information:

summerschool@lma.lv

The summer school is organized by the Department of Art History and Theory of Art Academy of Latvia in collaboration with State Education Development Agency of the Republic of Latvia.