

## Call for the Second Franco Maria Ricci International Scholarship

### 1. General Information

For the second consecutive year, the Franco Maria Ricci Foundation will offer a scholarship for the activities of research, study, and activation of the Collections and Archives of the Foundation. The exclusive purpose of the Foundation is to foster study, scientific research, and education with the additional aim of contributing to public benefit by promoting culture and art and the protection of nature and the environment.

The Foundation aims to promote the artistic and cultural heritage of founder Franco Maria Ricci, collected over the years. This heritage consists of a collection of paintings, sculptures, and art objects from the 1500s to the 1900s; a collection of antique books, including fundamental works in the history of fine books and typography; the entire production of the publishing house founded and directed by Franco Maria Ricci from 1964 to 2003, and from 2020 by Laura Casalis Ricci; an Archive made up of various genres relating to the publishing house; Gianni Guadalupi's Travel Library, which includes ten thousand volumes of travel literature; and a library with over twelve thousand volumes dedicated to the History of Art.

The Foundation seeks to support and encourage the specialized training of young students of editorial culture. This scholarship is intended for a person who could contribute to enhancing the heritage of the Foundation through rigorous and original research and support the editorial staff of the Franco Maria Ricci Foundation from a cultural, graphic, and creative point of view.

The scholarship consists in the award of a total compensation of  $\in 3,000.00$  net of any tax withholding required by law. The three-month scholarship is expected to begin by 10/07/2023. Applications will be accepted until June 21, 2023.

### 2. Application Requirements

The scholarship is intended for a young international student who must:

- a) be under 30 years of age as of the final application due date;
- b) have earned a bachelor's degree or its equivalent from an accredited international institution within the twelve months prior to the application date;

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- c) not benefit from other research grants or any other scholarships awarded for the same period, except for those that provide for travel abroad;
- d) possess a solid knowledge of art history and strong visual design skills;
- e) be proficient in written and spoken Italian and English (language certifications will not be required);

The Committee will confirm that applicants meet these requirements.

# 3. How to Apply

We encourage candidates to submit their applications before the June 21st deadline.

Applications must contain:

- cover letter
- curriculum vitae
- a copy of a valid identity document
- a short written statement of no fewer than 1,000 words relating to the creative heritage of Franco Maria Ricci, with footnotes for all sources cited to ensure academic integrity. The essay will be used as a critical tool for evaluating the candidate's knowledge of art history and comprehension of the heritage of the Franco Maria Ricci Foundation, as well as their proficiency in graphic design. The candidate will be expected to showcase their analytical and writing abilities by critically evaluating the impact of Ricci's creative contributions on the artistic community. This exercise will also provide an opportunity for the candidate to display their creativity and design skills.

Applications will only be accepted in English.

All documentation must be submitted as a single PDF, with no further attachments, by June 21, 2023, 23:59 CET time to the following email address: <a href="mailto:amministrazione@masone.parma.it">amministrazione@masone.parma.it</a>.

Please remember to include "Franco Maria Ricci Foundation 2nd Scholarship Application of (Name and Surname)" in the subject.

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### 4. General Rules

- a) All applications that are incomplete or missing the required documentation will not be considered;
- b) applications and documents submitted in ways other than those indicated or received after the deadline will also not be considered;
- c) candidates for the competition authorize the processing of personal data, including IT processing and the use of the information sent for all purposes related to the competition, in accordance with Law 196/2003 and subsequent changes and additions;
- d) the selection of the candidate, to take place by June 30, 2023, will be at the discretion of the Board of the Franco Maria Ricci Foundation and their decision will be final and not subject to appeal.

Fontanellato, April 21, 2023

Laura Casalis President

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