



H.C.B AWARD 2009

Grand Prix International Henri Cartier-Bresson

Presented by the Fondation Henri Cartier-Bresson, the HCB Award is a prize to stimulate a photographer's creativity by offering the opportunity to carry out a project that would otherwise be difficult to achieve.

It is intended for photographers who have already completed a significant body of work, a talented photographer in the emerging phase of his or her career with an approach close to that of documentary. Candidates should be nominated by an institution (museums, galleries, independent curators, publishers...).

The prize is of 30 000 Euros and is awarded every other year.

Eighteen months after the reception of the prize, the winner will have an exhibition of his work at the Fondation HCB in Paris and a catalogue will be published.

The HCB Award is made possible with the partnership of Groupe Wendel.

Download the application: www.henricartierbresson.org

Applications to be sent to Fondation HCB between March 1st and April 15th, 2009

HCB Award 2009 nominated in June 2009 by an international jury



REGULATION

Terms and Conditions of Entry

*The HCB Award is open to photographers of all nationalities who have already completed a significant body of work with an approach close to that of reportage. There is no age limit.

*The winner must use the prize for carrying out a project which would otherwise be hard to accomplish within the normal conditions of his activity

*Candidates should be nominated by an institution. Applications from individual photographers will not be considered.

*The range of potential institutions is broad and has no geographical boundaries: museums, photographic societies, photo agencies, art schools, universities, galleries, magazines, festivals, publishers... are entitled to present a candidate.

*Institutions or candidates can download application forms from our website.
For more info : contact@henricartierbresson.org.

Application must be deposited or sent by registered mail to:

**Fondation HCB
HCB Award
2, Impasse Lebouis
75014 Paris
France**

between March 1st and April 15th, 2009

***the candidates will include a prepaid international envelope (FEDEX, UPS, etc...) for the return of their application.** Otherwise, they can come and pick it up at the Fondation HCB in July.

*The candidate or the nominating institution agrees not to claim any compensation should items be damaged or lost.

*The return of a completed application form implies full adherence by the candidate and the nominating institution to all the terms and conditions of these regulations.

*The name of the winner will be given on the internet site in July 2009.



ORGANISATION

The Fondation HCB has asked Robert Delpire, publisher and initiator of the prize, to be the chairman of the committee.

The Pre-Selection Committee

A pre-selection committee will review all the proposals. It will consist of 5 members based in France, they will meet in Paris. The chairman of the committee will act as the link between the pre-selection committee and the jury. During the deliberations any member of the jury will have access to all the applications received.

The Jury

The winner will be designated by an International Jury composed of 7 prominent personalities in photography, literature, art, cinema and journalism. The jury will meet in Paris in June 2009 and announce the winner, at the beginning of July. The decision of the Jury is final.

Prize

The HCB Award is of 30 000 Euros. It shall not be divided.

Calendar

- March 1st – April 15th, 2009, return of applications to the Foundation.
- June 2009, selection of the prize-winner.
- July 2009 return of applications to the candidates, once the jury has met and the prize-winner has been selected.



APPLICATIONS

Applications should consist of the following elements:

- A brief memo (one typed page maximum), from the nominating institution presenting its recommendation and justifying their nominee.
- A selection of 10 to 20 photographs by the candidate (maximum size of the prints 30 x 40 cm, not framed, no slides). Books or printed material are accepted.
- A brief memo (2 typed pages maximum) from the candidate outlining the project for which he wishes to receive the award. The candidate has to agree to have finished the project before September 2010 at the latest, for the exhibit and the publication of the catalogue to meet the deadline. This memo has to be signed by the candidate.
- A concise biography of the candidate's professional background, exhibitions, publications, grants and prizes received.
- The application form, must be completed and signed by the candidate and the nominating institution.

Once the prize-winner is nominated, the following implies:

- An exhibition of the work will be organized in the 18 following months at the Fondation HCB in Paris, and may travel. The winner agrees not to exhibit or publish all or part of the project before the exhibition at the Fondation HCB, without the formal agreement of the Fondation HCB.
- A catalogue of the work will be published with the photographer's approval.
- Ten photographs free of rights will be used by the Fondation HCB and sponsors for information or promotion of the HCB Award (press, website...). The candidate shall therefore guarantee to the organizers that the material does not prejudice the right of third parties and that required releases have been obtained.
- The prize-winner will donate five signed prints to the Fondation HCB.
- The prize-winner owns and controls the work produced with the award provided that credit be given to the HCB Award in exhibitions and publications.
- The prize-winner is requested to sign a contract with the Fondation HCB, respecting the above elements when he receives the check.



APPLICATION FORM / HCB AWARD 2009

Name of the Institution.....
Legal structure.....
Represented by.....
Address.....
Telephone and Fax.....
Email address.....

We wish to nominate as candidate.....
Last Name.....
First Name.....
Address.....
Telephone and Fax.....
Email address.....

The enclosed application includes the following items:
Number of photographs.....Size.....
Books.....Printed data.....
Nominating memo.....
Candidate's memo outlining the project.....
Candidate's biography.....

We learnt about the HCB Award through (institution, newspaper, friend...)
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We are aware of the regulations and approve all their terms

Institution's signature and seal

Candidate's signature

Date of deposit or postage