

Young Ambassadors Programme

General Information and Conditions
2024 edition

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1) What is the Young Ambassadors Programme?

An enriching cultural experience, the Young Ambassadors Programme is a unique opportunity for craft and design students to showcase their enthusiasm for craft to visitors of Homo Faber 2024. It offers a chance to meet designers, artisans and creative students from across the world and to forge new connections. Established in 2018, the programme is facilitated through a partnership with Fondazione Giorgio Cini.

2) Who is the programme for?

The Young Ambassadors Programme is aimed at craft and design students – or those keen to pursue a training in craft and design.

3) What does the programme offer?

The programme includes:

- an e-learning journey, to acquire in-depth understanding of the Michelangelo Foundation, Homo Faber Biennial, this edition's theme and the exhibited crafts;
- Webinars, to develop communication skills;
- a one-week onsite training in Venice to get to know the Young Ambassadors community, Homo Faber 2024 premises and further develop communication skills;
- travel arrangements;
- accommodation and meals during the whole duration of the event;
- a grant of € 1'700.00 consisting of a stipend, and a flat rate to cover dinners and local transportation during the entire stay in Venice;
- full support on administrative and training aspects;
- a six-week experience in Venice.

4) 2024 Timeline

- 8 January – 8 March 2024: call for participation
- March 2024: interview process
- 10 April 2024: announcement of selected candidates
- July – August 2024: online training
- 20 – 27 August 2024: onsite training in Venice
- 1 – 30 September 2024: Homo Faber 2024

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Call for participation	█								
Interviews			█						
Selection announcement				█					
Travel arrangements				█					
E-learning journey						█			
Onsite training in Venice								█	
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5) How to apply

All applicants must submit their application through the dedicated website:

<https://nextgen.homofaber.com/young-ambassadors>

The deadline for receiving applications is **23:59 CET on 8 March 2024**.

6) Selection criteria

Applicants must ensure they meet the following criteria:

- Aged between 18 and 35;
- Craft and design student, or from another creative field;
- Fluent in English – sufficient level to understand the training and communicate;
- Fluent in Italian – minimum A2 level to interact with Italian-speaking visitors;
- Proven communication skills;
- Passionate about people;
- Motivated by knowledge transmission;
- Available from mid-August to early October in Venice.

7) Who can I contact if I have any questions?

For any questions related to the application process or the Young Ambassadors Programme in general, please send an email to: education@homofaber.com

II. CONDITIONS

1) Commitment

Selected participants are expected to commit to:

- the entirety of the programme, from the announcement of the selected candidates to the end of Homo Faber 2024. They must be willing to travel to Venice and spend 6 weeks onsite, between 19 August and 1 October 2024;
- following the entire training journey;
- completing the mandatory safety courses under Italian law (digital and onsite).

2) Terms

- The selected participants will sign a grant agreement with the Fondazione Giorgio Cini.
- The return trip to Venice, accommodation, and meals (except lunches when not at Homo Faber 2024) are included.
- The modalities of transportation include flights (economy class) and trains (second class).
- Should the selected participants wish to arrive earlier or leave later than the agreed dates, accommodation and meals would be at their own expense.
- Grant modalities: the grant will be paid to each participant in two parts. The first part corresponding to the flat rates will be paid before arrival in Venice, while the second part will be paid upon completion of the programme.

3) Acceptance

The successful applicants will be notified by 10 April 2024 and must sign the agreement within 7 (seven) days after receiving said agreement. The Michelangelo Foundation reserves the right to cancel applications from candidates who fail to confirm within the prescribed time with no reasonable reason.

4) Communication

The participants are encouraged to communicate on their participation in the Young Ambassadors Programme on their channels and social media. Communication guidelines shall be shared at a later stage as part of our communication strategy.

The participants are expected to provide the Michelangelo Foundation with any communication material requested.

The Michelangelo Foundation reserves the right to send a photograph and/or a film crew to document the programme. Assets produced by the Michelangelo Foundation will be shared with the participants. The participants can use these assets on the condition that credits are mentioned.

5) Code of conduct

The participants are expected to complete the entire Young Ambassadors Programme, which includes the online training, the onsite training in Venice as well as their dedicated time slots during the Homo Faber 2024.

The partners of the programme promote and encourage collaboration and knowledge exchange and believe in promoting a safe and efficient environment by enforcing behavioural standards. Active participation is strongly encouraged and expected. All beneficiaries must uphold integrity, respect of all other participants and organisers and their rights and property and safety of others.

The participants are encouraged to promote the programme through their own channels as mentioned above. They cannot post derogatory comments on the partners of the programme, the programme itself and its organisers. This can be a motive for exclusion.

All the participants must deter from indulging in any and all forms of misconduct during and after programme hours, which can affect the image and reputation of the Michelangelo Foundation, the Fondazione Giorgio Cini and its partners.

Theft, abuse, or damage of available resources, facilities or other participants' properties will lead to exclusion.

Indulging in any form of harassment related to an individual's gender, race, religion or beliefs, skin colour, religion, language, sexual orientation, marital or family status, physical or mental disability, gender identity, etc. will lead to exclusion.

6) Exclusions and cancellations

The Michelangelo Foundation is entitled to immediately exclude a participant in case of non-compliance with the above code of conduct, in situations that could bring prejudice to the Michelangelo Foundation, for any absence beyond reasonable control or in the case of force majeure for more than 3 days.

In case of exclusion, the participants will have to reimburse travel and accommodation costs, leave the accommodation site and will be excluded from future Michelangelo Foundation projects until decided otherwise.

The participants can cancel participation prior to travel bookings. After travel booking is arranged, the participants are required to reimburse travels costs and depending on the reason may be excluded from future Michelangelo Foundation projects.

7) Data privacy

The applicants' data are collected and treated according to Michelangelo Foundation's [Privacy Policy](#) and will be shared with organisers for operational purposes only, as well as with partners and sponsor when relevant.

8) Insurance

The Michelangelo Foundation is exempt from any and all liabilities if an accident were to occur during the onsite training or Homo Faber 2024. Any and all possible claims against the Michelangelo Foundation are therefore irrevocably waived.

We recommend that participants subscribe to a travel insurance for the whole duration of their stay in Venice.

9) Survey

The participants will be expected to reply to surveys throughout the programme.

10) Cancellation

The Michelangelo Foundation is allowed to cancel the programme any time before the start of or during the programme for any reasons whatsoever, including a case of force majeure.

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