INVITATION TO STUDENTS TO SUBMIT AN ENTRY FOR

THE VURNIK STUDENT AWARD 2021

Center for Architecture Slovenia, Municipality of Radovljica, Local Community of Radovljica, Faculty of Architecture of the University of Ljubljana, and the Faculty of Civil Engineering, Transportation Engineering and Architecture of the University of Maribor established the Vurnik Student Award for the most promising student of architecture, landscape architecture or urbanism in 2018, to mark the 100th anniversary of higher education in architecture in Slovenia, which was organised at the initiative of the architect Ivan Vurnik.

The Vurnik Student Award is awarded to students for their entire body of work throughout their study – to 4th and 5th year students of the Long-cycle Master’s Study Programme in Architecture (University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture), 1st and 2nd year students of the Second Cycle study programme in Urbanism (University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Architecture), 1st and 2nd year students of the Master’s Study Programme in Architecture (University of Maribor, Faculty of Civil Engineering, Transportation Engineering and Architecture), and 1st and 2nd year Master’s Study Programme in Landscape Architecture (University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty). One Vurnik Student Award and two equivalent honorary prizes will be awarded to the students.

This award is both honorary and monetary (1,500 EUR net for the first-prize winner) and is intended for the winner to go on a study trip. The recipient of the Vurnik Student Award will give a presentation with impressions from the trip during the next Vurnik Days. Two honorary prizes with a value of 300 EUR net are also awarded, which do not impose obligations on the recipients.

The students should prepare:
- a personal portfolio [A4 format, max. 50 pages and not more than 15 projects, a short description of each project in both Slovenian and English]. The applicant’s Master’s Thesis should not be included in the portfolio. The applicants should submit only a digital version in PDF format [on a CD or USB drive].
- an original essay on architecture, landscape architecture and/or urbanism [recommended number of characters without spaces: 7000-10,000; in Slovenian and English]. The applicants should clearly indicate one or more passages of the essay that the applicant wishes to highlight in the catalogue. All passages must not exceed 2500 characters [with spaces]. The applicants should submit only a digital version in DOC and PDF format [on a CD or USB drive].

Submissions must arrive by registered mail to the main office of Centre for Architecture Slovenia, Rimska cesta 1, SI-1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia, marked “NE ODPIRAJ – VURNIKOVA ŠTUDENTSKA NAGRADA” by Monday, 3 May 2021 at 00:00 at the latest.

On Monday, 3 May 2021, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., the submission may be entered in person as well.

The envelope should contain:
- A4 page contact information ([name, address, phone number, e-mail])
- personal portfolio [digital version – CD or USB key]
- original essay [digital version – CD or USB key]

The award recipients will be announced at the awarding ceremony on the birthday of the architect Ivan Vurnik, on Tuesday, 1st of June 2021 at 8 p.m., in the Baroque Hall in Radovljica. All Vurnik Student Award nominees will be invited to the awarding ceremony.

The recipients of the main prize and two equivalent honorary prizes will be selected by the Expert Panel consisting of:
- architect Tomaž Krštof, Studio Krštof, president of Chamber of Architecture and Spatial Planning of Slovenia, Slovenia
- architect Maja Ivanič, president of international conference Piran Days of Architecture, Slovenia
- architect Martin Mutschlechner, Stadt:Labor – Architekten, Austria

The jury will reach the decision about the awarded works based on the following criteria:
- quality of the selected projects presented
- uniqueness of the selected projects presented
- innovation of the selected projects presented
- essay quality
- contribution to reflections on architecture/landscape architecture/urbanism in the essay

Expert Committee of the Vurnik Student Award
Radovljica/Ljubljana, 1st of February 2021