

REGULATIONS

OF THE ANNUAL AWARD - THE MEDAL OF THE PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR CULTURE

1. The Annual Award - the "Per Artem ad Deum" Medal is awarded by the Pontifical Council for Culture in recognition of the achievements and the attainments which substantially contribute to the to promotion of dialogue between the diversity of cultures in the contemporary world and thus facilitate relations with Christians, and are of considerable significance for people's comprehensive intellectual development in the spirit of ecumenism.
2. The award is of an honorary nature.
3. One ore more medals will be awarded.
4. Candidates who can be nominated for the annual "Per Artem ad Deum" award, the Medal of the Pontifical Council for Culture, are the people whose achievements have substantially contributed to the development of European arts and culture in the following fields: literature and literary texts of all kinds, the arts including: fine and visual arts; theatre; film; as well as all other forms of human mind creation such as philosophy and the systems of values and patterns of behaviour.
5. A candidate can be presented with the award in recognition of undertaking realisations if they fulfil the following criteria:
 - facilitate the development of European art and culture in a lasting and significant way;
 - make a significant contribution in the process of culture, arts, history and tradition promotion as well as promotion of bonds with the Church;
 - concern substantial problems from the point of view of social theory, culture, history, law or religion, constitute a section of human metaphysics and at the same time may set an example to others;
 - contribute to the creation of a climate and atmosphere which cultivate European cultural heritage;
 - participate in the ethical/religious image and value creation through the diversity of art and media forms, etc.;
 - in their activities the candidates are rooted in ethics as the theory of moral conduct and aesthetics as the value of artistic creation.
6. The following mode of candidate nomination has been established:
 - Candidates for the contest procedure can be proposed by: representatives of local churches; Higher Education Institutions; Dioceses; Diocese Art Committees; Art Unions, Associations and Organisations; High Theological Seminaries; Conferences of Bishops; Ministries of Culture as well as social organisations and natural persons having obtained the candidate's consent:
 - The laureates of previous editions of the "Per Artem ad Deum" Award, the Medal of the Pontifical Council for Culture, cannot be put up as candidates
 - The documents accompanying the candidate's entry (must be drawn in English or in Polish) include:
 1. The Annual Award Declaration Form which must be completed, printed and signed by an authorised person
 2. A letter of recommendation
 3. A letter which confirms that the Award will be collected by the Laureate in person
 4. Attachments which provide the information concerning the Candidate,
 - The Laureate is obliged to collect the Award in person during the Sacroexpo exhibition held in Kielce from 9th to 11th June 2013
 - Upon request, the organisers shall provide transport to Kielce and accommodation for the period of the Award presentation ceremony,
 - The Laureate will have the possibility of presenting their achievements during the Sacroexpo exhibition (i.e. an exhibition, concert, lecture etc. ...)
 - The Laureate is granted with the right to use the title of the Medal Laureate of "Per Artem ad Deum" as well as the graphic representation of the Annual Award - the "Per Artem ad Deum" Medal of the Pontifical Council for Culture in their materials.
 - The Organisers will provide European media with information concerning the Laureates and their achievements
 - The applications should be submitted no latter than **31st December 2013** (determined by the delivery date) to the following address: Targi Kielce S.A., Secretariat of the Pontifical Council for Culture Award, 1 Zakładowa Street, 25 - 672 Kielce, Poland
Submission of the Annual Award Declaration Form confirms the acceptance of these Regulations
 - The organiser does not return the materials submitted for the contest purposes
7. Proceedings of the Chapter
 - The Candidates who meet the formal and substantive requirements of the Annual Award - the "Per Artem ad Deum" Medal of the Pontifical Council for Culture shall be assessed by the Chapter. Having thoroughly considered all the substantiations supported with the attached materials, the Chapter will perform the initial selection of no more than 5 leading candidates - the nominees for the Award whose achievements have been evaluated as the most remarkable and then will inform each candidate about the nomination.
 - The Pontifical Council for Culture is presented with the list of nominated Candidates which audits and approves the nominations.
 - From among the nominees, the President of the Pontifical Council for Culture HE Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi selects the laureate or a number of laureates from the group of nominees.
 - The selection of laureates made by the President of the Pontifical Council for Culture is an autonomous decision of final character and cannot be appealed against or charged.
8. The Chapter composition
HE Bishop Marian Florczyk - the Chapter Chairman, Andrzej Mochoń PhD, Tomasz Furdyna, Dobrośław Bagiński PhD Assistant Professor, Professor Stanisław Słonina, Professor Leszek Mądzik, Wojciech Kilar, Krzysztof Zanussi, Stanisław Niemczyk, Ennio Morricone, Professor Stanisław Rodziński