



VAN HOVE PRIZE 2020

COMPETITION RULES

The Van Hove Prize is open to all students who successfully completed their studies at the end of the 2019-2020 academic year at a Belgian university faculty delivering the diploma of architect or architectural engineer.

The Prize will be awarded for an **architectural graduation project**, awarded for obtaining the Master 2 diploma.

Registration is free.

The participation languages for the Prize will be English, Dutch and French.

To participate in the competition it is sufficient to send by electronic mail to the UPA-BUA (see the website UPA-BUA-arch.be) the following documents in PDF format (NB: naming of PDF files according to instructions in the registration form) between the 1st and 30th September 2020 at midnight:

- the online registration form;
- a copy of the authentic diploma or certificate issued during the year of the Prize;
- the graphic presentation of the project laid out for printing on two horizontal A1 panels (landscape);
 - the layout of the panels must allow an independent view of them as well as an overlapping arrangement of the two panels (together forming an A0);
 - each A1 will include the identity of the candidate (in Arial 12 pts) at the bottom right as well as the order number of the panel (1 & 2);
 - the panels will not include other texts than the project title and short captions in English explaining the functions of the spaces ;
 - the content of the panels will reserve a priority place for architecture as a concrete materialization of the theoretical, programmatic, urban or societal discourse ;
 - photos of the model (s) are welcome on the panels ;
 - PDF files will not exceed 30,000 KB per A1 panel.
- an A4 descriptive page comprising the following elements :
 - the identity of the candidate;
 - the title of the project (one line of text maximum);
 - the summary statement of the exercise or the program (1000 signs maximum, spacing included);
 - the founding elements of the party (2000 characters maximum, spacing included);
 - optionally, this document may include an internet link to the complete project, and/or to the end-of-study work in the context of which the project was developed.

The A4 page will be sent in two versions: an original version containing the texts in the language chosen for participation in the Prize and a version translated into one of the two other languages for participation in the Prize, the quality of the translation being the responsibility of the participant. Texts on the panels or A4 documents exceeding the limits defined in these regulations will not be taken into account.

The projects will be examined by a jury made up of:

- professional architects representing UPA-BUA and/or other Belgian professional associations of architects ;
- professional architects representing the magazine A+ or other Belgian architectural journals ;
- practicing architects winners of the Belgian Architecture Prize (Biennial FAB Awards) or other international architecture awards ;
- one or more renowned practicing architects and / or teachers in European foreign academic institutions.

A first selection of a **maximum of 20 nominated projects** will be exhibited at the Architects' House in Brussels till the **end of November 2020**, after which, the jury will award the **Prize** and, where appropriate, **special mentions**.

The jury will distribute a maximum sum of **5.000 €** between the prize(s) and the possible mention(s), according to their assessment of the projects. The number of awards and mentions is left to the jury, with a maximum of 5 in total. The jury is free to decide a tie, whether or not, both for the prize and for the mentions.

The winning and mentioned projects will be **published** in the UPA-BUA Information Bulletin and will be promoted by UPA-BUA for publication in the **professional press**, while the panels of all nominated projects will be presented on the UPA-BUA website.

In addition, all nominees will receive a certificate entitling them to a **free subscription** to the UPA-BUA for two years upon registration before December 31 of the year of the Prize.

The **criteria for judging projects** will be as follows:

- the aptitudes to respond by architecture to current questions, to bring added value for society, to anticipate its future needs;
- the culmination of the architectural project and the coherence of its development in relation to its statement and its party;
- the quality of graphic expression, legibility, the ability to communicate;
- the qualities of the architectural spaces (scale, light, poetic approach, etc.);
- skill and mastery of formal vocabulary;
- realism and feasibility.

The decisions of the jury will be final and without appeal.

The architecture diploma is individual, so is the participation in the Van Hove Prize. However, projects having been carried out as part of a collective work, can be presented to the Prize. Two solutions are possible:

- Either the application is collective and is presented by all the participants in the project. In this case, each participant in the application will provide a registration form and the document attesting their successful completion of studies, all the other documents (A1 panels and A4 descriptive pages) being collective.
- Either the application is individual, and the collective project will only appear as a context for the individual project. In this case, the project presented for the Prize will essentially consist only of the individual part of the project presented for obtaining the diploma. The identities of the other students who participated in the collective project must be mentioned on the registration form which will include, in the appendix, an A4 reduction of the panels with a clear identification of the collective work and that of the other student (s). It is however specified that in the event of communication by the UPA-BUA concerning the nominated, mentioned or awarded projects, only candidates registered for the Prize will be mentioned.

Projects received after midnight September 30 will not be considered. It is therefore recommended that applicants submit their projects in good time.

The UPA-BUA reserves the right to cancel the competition in whole or in part, if the number of participants who can be nominated is deemed insufficient.

The UPA-BUA can freely dispose of all the information and documents submitted.

By the fact of his participation, the candidate for the price accepts without reserve the terms of the present regulations.

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REGISTRATION FORM (online form on website upa-bua-arch.be)

Last Name :

First Name :

Nationality :

Address :

E-mail :

Telephone number :

Diploma awarding institute :

Names of teachers who followed the project presented at the Van Hove Prize :

Date of the statement of the project at the diploma institute :

Number of actual weeks devoted to the project presented (excluding exam sessions, trips, etc.) :

Date of submission of the project at of the diploma institute :

If applicable :

Name(s) and signature(s) of the other student(s) who took part in the group project of which the individual project presented is part of :

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Optional :

The degree (or rating) obtained for the project or the end-of-studies work at the diploma institute :

Submittal date for the Van Hove Prize :

Signature of the candidate :

Attachments :

1. Copy (PDF or JPG) of the diploma(s) or of the certificate (or certificates) of success, issued during the year of the Prize
2. 2 panels format A1 in PDF (maximum 30,000 KB / panel)
3. 1 A4 pdf containing the texts in accordance with the rules of the Prize, in the language of participation chosen by the candidate
4. 1 A4 pdf containing the translation of the texts in the second language, according to the rules of the Prize
5. In the case of an individual application for a project carried out in the context of a collective work, an A4 reduction of the panels submitted for the Van Hove Prize with clear identification of the representation of individual work and that of the other student(s) .

NB : the naming of PDF files respects the following formalism :

- 0_NAME_Firstname_registration.pdf (A4, as many pages as there are people in the case of a collective application)
- 1_NAME_Firstname_attestation.pdf (A4, as many documents as there are people in the case of a collective application)
- 2_NAME(s)_First name(s) _panel1.pdf (A1)
- 3_NAME(s)_First name(s) _panel2.pdf (A1)
- 4_NAME(s)_First name(s) _statement_FR/NL.pdf (A4)
- 5_NAME(s)_First name(s) _statetement_EN.pdf (A4)
- [6_NAME(s)_First name(s) _panel1_collectif.pdf (A4)]
- [7_NAME(s)_First name(s) _panel2_collectif.pdf (A4)]