

**STARTPOINT 2015. prize for European art graduates  
since 2003, 18 countries, 34 artist,**

# STARTPOINT

**With its unique extent StartPoint Prize covers a wide range of genres and local approaches spanning from classical paintings, statues or photography to multi media installations and videos. Thus it represents the whole specter of the approaching European art generation.**

During the thirteen years of its existence, the StartPoint prize has evolved from a national exhibition of graduation projects to an extensive European prize monitoring emerging artistic talents. This year again members of the curatorial team along with other local experts and school representatives will maped out over 34 art schools from 18 European countries in order to select one graduation project at each school, which will be presented on the project's website: [www.startpointprize.eu](http://www.startpointprize.eu). All works then undergo further curatorial selection until the final exhibition and the accompanying catalog, featuring around 20 most distinctive emerging European artists are made. All exhibiting artists are personally invited to the installation and opening of the exhibition with a rich accompanying program.

Apart from the exhibition accompanied by a catalog and a website, the project is mainly about encounters among emerging artists and experts across countries, traditions and genres, which can bring them and the audience new opportunities for comparison. This convergence is further developed by the STARTED residential program attended by the main winner and awarded finalists.

On the day of the opening of the main exhibition, the international jury awards the main prize and several honorary mentions. The reward for all the winners is a month-long residence in Prague, which will take place next year. During this residence artists have the opportunity to realize their exhibition projects and the main prize winner can publish his/her own catalogue.

#### PRELIMINARY PROGRAM 2015

26.8. – 4.10.  
STARTED 2015. Residents of StartPoint Prize. GAVU / Gallery of Fine Art

29.9. – 1.11.  
Final exhibition at Trade Faire Palace / The National Gallery in Prague, announcement of the winner and Jury's honorable mentions.

28.9. – 30.9.  
STARTED 2015. Residents of StartPoint Prize. Berlinskej Model gallery, Prague.

AUTUMN/WINTER 2015/2016  
Other reprises of the exhibition. Bratislava, Bukurešť, others are in discussion.

JUNE 2016  
Selection of STARTPOINT 2015 at the Arti et Amiciatae Gallery of Fine Art in Amsterdam.

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Prague City Hall (MHMP)

MEDIA PARTNERS  
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[ArtMap.cz](http://ArtMap.cz)

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# NATIONAL GALLERY IN PRAGUE, TRADE FAIR PALACE 30.9. - 1.11. 2015, OPENING: 29.9. AT 19:00

Since 2003 the StartPoint Prize has been mapping out the graduation projects of European art schools students; today it is the largest exhibition of its kind. This year again around 20 artist from 34 schools and 18 European countries will be chosen for the final exhibition. They will personally attend the installation of the exhibition and its opening during which the winner and other awarded artists will be announced.

After the initial years of operation within the Klatovy/Klenová Gallery and intermediate stops in GASK (Gallery of Central Bohemian Region) in Kutná Hora and in The Moravian Gallery in Brno, in the years 2012 – 2014, the final STARTPOINT exhibition was held in DOX / the Centre for Contemporary Art in Prague's Holešovice, where it found a decent space and quality background and attracted a considerable number of visitors.

For the year 2015, we entered a partnership with the National Gallery in Prague, where the main STARTPOINT exhibition will take place in Trade Fair Palace in the gallery space on the 5th floor from 29.9. 2015.

In the years 2013 – 2014, a record number of exclusive European returns took place

KASK Gent  
Arti et Amicitiae Amsterdam  
Hit Gallery Bratislava  
Victoria Art Center Bucuresti.

In the coming years we would like to further extend this expansion to other countries.

[startpointprize.eu](http://startpointprize.eu)

## ARTISTS

NICOLA ARTHEN  
*GRA Amsterdam*

AMELIA BEAVIS-HARRISON  
*Kunstakademiet Oslo*

CORSIN BILLETER  
*HfGK Zürich*

RUBEN BIRRELL  
*KASK Antwerpen*

JOHANNES DANIEL  
*HGB Leipzig*

TOMÁS ESPINOSA  
*UdK Berlin*

BARBORA FASTROVÁ  
*UMPRUM Praha*

ZUZA GOLINSKA  
*ASP Warszawa*

ESTHER HOVERS  
*KABK Den Haag*

KARL ISAKSON  
*Kunstakademiet  
Copenhagen*

VYTAUTAS KAZIMIERAS  
JUOZENAS  
*VDA Vilnius*

PETRA LELLÁKOVÁ  
& VLADIMÍRA VEČEŘOVÁ  
*AVU Praha*

EDWARD LLOYD  
*AdBK Wien*

GLORIA LUCA  
*UAGE Iasi*

JENNY PALÉN  
*KKH Stockholm*

DOYOUN PARK  
*Muthesius Kunsthochschule Kiel*

JULIE ROCH-CUERRIER  
*RCA London*

ANSELM SCHENKLUHN  
*KHB Weißensee*

JIŘÍ STANĚK  
*FaVU VUT Brno*

## CURATORIAL TEAM 2015

PAVEL VANČÁT  
*main curator*

MARCEL FIŠER  
*project manager  
director of the GAVU  
Gallery of Fine Arts in Cheb*

LUCIA GAVULOVÁ  
*Slovak National Gallery  
Bratislava*

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*Chief Curator  
National Gallery  
in Prague*

## INTERNATIONAL JURY 2015

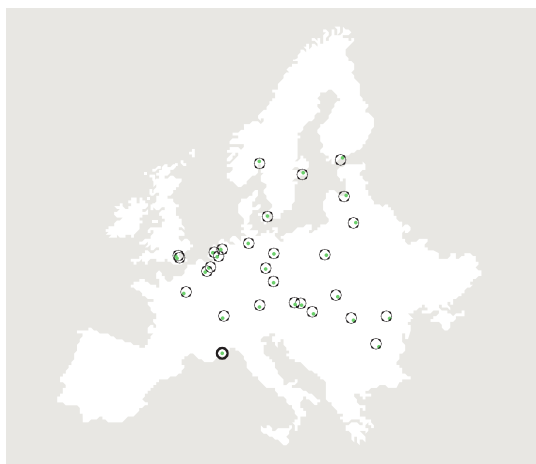
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*curator  
Spike Island  
Bristol*

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*curator  
Warsaw*

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The Moravian Gallery in Brno*

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*curator  
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Participating Academies 2015