Open call for participation in **Off the Wall 2023**

International Street Art Festival
Prague, Lesser Town Embankment
August 25 – 27, 2023

www.offthewall.cz

Street art / Graffiti / Mural art / Sculptures / Objects / Installations / Performances / Workshops

After a year, we again cordially invite professional artists, art school students, sculptors, painters, performers, passionate graffiti writers and artists with physical or other handicaps, regardless of age, education or religion to participate in Off the Wall 2023.

We invite all creative people who want to perform their artistic visions on a historical wall near the Kampa Museum or in the open space of the surrounding area during the street art festival **Off the Wall 2023** with a rich program!

This time, there will be 30 canvases seized **2x2m** to paint on installed onto almost 200 meters long and two and a half meters high wall for surface realizations and around 1000 m² for sculptures, objects, installations and performances of all kinds.

All this right in the historical centre of magical Prague, in the immediate vicinity of the renowned Kampa Museum, on the embankment of the Vltava River with breath-taking views of running water, Charles Bridge and romantic panoramas of the capital.

The festival, which is again held in cooperation with the Prague 1 City District Office, is unique not only for its artistic and educational ambitions, but also for its social benefit of protecting the historical city from vandalism of illegal graffiti.

A historical wall and its surroundings in the vicinity of Charles Bridge and the renowned Museum of Modern Art will once again become a place of celebration of artistic freedom for a weekend and the focus of a responsible care of a professional company for cleaning and renovation of walls for the whole year.

In addition, three specially invited artists will have a unique opportunity to create their original large-format **mural paintings** on the facades of houses in other parts of Prague as a part of the program of **Off the Wall 2023**.

It will be a pleasure for us to welcome your original proposals for artworks of various styles of graffiti and art disciplines within street art, which will respect the format of **2x2m**. The festival also offers enough space for sculptures, objects, installations and performances of all kinds.

Shortly after the end of Off the Wall 2023, all works of art will be offered for sale at an internet auction in cooperation with Prague Auctions. Catalogue of works and sales results from last year's auction are available on www.pragueauctions.com.

If you want to be with us at the next continuation of this unique cultural project, please send the following to: **robert@offthewall.cz**

1. *a completed application form (see attachment)*
2. *a visual design of your proposal of a painting (must be performed on-site during the project) for a given canvas format of 2x2m or sculpture (with a maximum height of 4m) or a description/draft of a live performance with illustrative images (can also be a video)*
3. *an updated version of your CV and portfolio (it can be in the form of photos or as a link to your own website, FB, Instagram, etc.)*
4. *requirements for paints, nozzles and brushes (in case of any kind of painting artwork)*
5. *technical and material requirements for the creation of your three-dimensional artwork*
6. *technical and time requirements for your live performance*
7. *additional specific requirements for other art forms*

Deadline for sending a completed application including the visualization of your artwork:
July 30, 2023.

Applications that will not include an electronic CV, portfolio, completed form and detailed artwork proposal or that will arrive after the deadline will not be taken into consideration. A sufficient knowledge of English at least at a communicative level is an advantage.

Each proposal for a paint work of art must also contain specific requirements for the choice of colours, nozzles and brushes (please specify colour shades by product codes according to the paint manufacturer catalogue and their exact quantity) and for space and material in case of three-dimensional art.

All paint artworks will be performed publicly during the event on prepared canvases stretched on 2x2m frames and fixed upon a self-supporting plate system adjusted just in front of the historical wall around the Kampa Park.

When completed, the sculptures and three-dimensional artworks will be placed around the central wall in close proximity to the Kampa Museum and in the open space along the Vltava River. Sculptors can use pre-fabricated components to save time and finish their works at the venue during the event.

We offer **30%** of the final amount for which their work will be auctioned in the planned public internet auction to all participants of Off the Wall 2023.
The results of last year's auction can be seen here:
https://www.prague auctions.com/en/event/calendar/off-the-wall/?result_pdf=1

If the artwork is not sold in the internet auction, the author will receive a fixed compensation of **CZK 5,000** (approx. € 200). The relevant amounts will be sent to the bank accounts of all invited artists within a month after the end of the auction.

All artworks created during the Off the Wall 2023 festival will become the property of the project's organizer and their potential sale in the following internet auction will finance the ongoing protection of walls in this historical location and the next years of the festival.

The results of a selection procedure carried out by an expert committee will be announced by **7th of August 2023**. Given the expected number of candidates, both selected and rejected artists will be notified only electronically. The decision of the committee is final and cannot be repealed.

Adequate working conditions, catering, space and material for creating their artwork will be provided to all selected participants. All foreign and Czech artists not living in Prague will receive an adequate transport costs reimbursement and hotel accommodation will be provided near the project venue.

Information about the location for their work and a detailed schedule will be distributed to all selected artists electronically along with a notification of their participation.
In addition, they can look forward to an unconventional Prague tour, gastronomic specialties, an exclusive boat trip on the Vltava River and other surprises...

Inquiries about applications, artwork proposals and workshops should be sent by e-mail to:
robert@offthewall.cz *(art direction)*

Questions about operational matters, transport and accommodation should be sent to:
matej@offthewall.cz *(operations management)*

OFF THE WALL 2023

International Street Art Festival
Prague, Lesser Town Embankment
August 25 – 27, 2023

www.offthewall.cz

Street art / Graffiti / Mural art / Sculptures / Objects / Installations / Performances / Workshops