

ESSL ART AWARD CEE 2011

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"It was our desire to promote young artists from Central and Southeast Europe and give them the opportunity to exhibit their artwork in an international museum context that inspired us to endow an art award in countries besides Austria where bauMax is present."

Prof. Agnes and Karlheinz Essl

The ESSL ART AWARD is dedicated to the discovery and support of art students in Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Romania, Slovenia and Slovakia. The award is conferred every two years.

MEDIA

Painting | Photography | Sculpture | Video | Mixed Media

JURY

Vanja Babić (HR) | René Block (D) | Gábor Ébli (HU)
Silvia Köpf (Essl Museum) | Romelo Pervolovici (RO)
Zora Rusinová (SK) | Igor Španjol (SLO) | Jiri Svestka (CZ) | Maria Vassileva (BG) | Eva Wirlitsch-Essl (Essl Museum)

AWARDS

ESSL ART AWARD

Two donations of each EUR 3.500,- per country

VIG Special Invitation

Additional donation from VIENNA INSURANCE GROUP for one of the two award winners, per country.

In 2012 show at the Ringturm, exhibition centre of VIG in Vienna. Therefore the artists receive EUR 1.000,-

MAIN EXHIBITION ESSL ART AWARD CEE 2011

02.12.2011 - 12.02.2012

At the exhibitions of the nominees in their home countries the jury selects the winners of the **ESSL ART AWARD CEE 2011** on site.

The winners will present their works at the international exhibition at the **Essl Museum**, Klosterneuburg / Vienna, Austria in December 2011.

The exhibition will be accompanied by a catalogue in German and English.

THE ESSL MUSEUM

With more than 7.000 artworks, Agnes and Karlheinz Essl's collection of contemporary art offers a matchless perspective on present-day art. Starting with Austrian painting after 1945 the collection nowadays boasts important holdings reflecting contemporary art trends from Europe, the USA and Asia.

Entirely privately financed and autonomous in its management, the Essl Museum was conceived as a forum for an open exploration of the arts.

ESSL MUSEUM

An der Donau-Au 1
A-3400 Klosterneuburg / Vienna, Austria

Information

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Essl Museum, 2010
Photo: Frank Garzarolli, © Essl Private Collection

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Apart from Austria the company is represented in the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Croatia, Romania, Bulgaria and Turkey. bauMax makes use of its economic strength to support contemporary art, especially in those countries in which bauMax operates.

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Agnes and Karlheinz Essl, 2009
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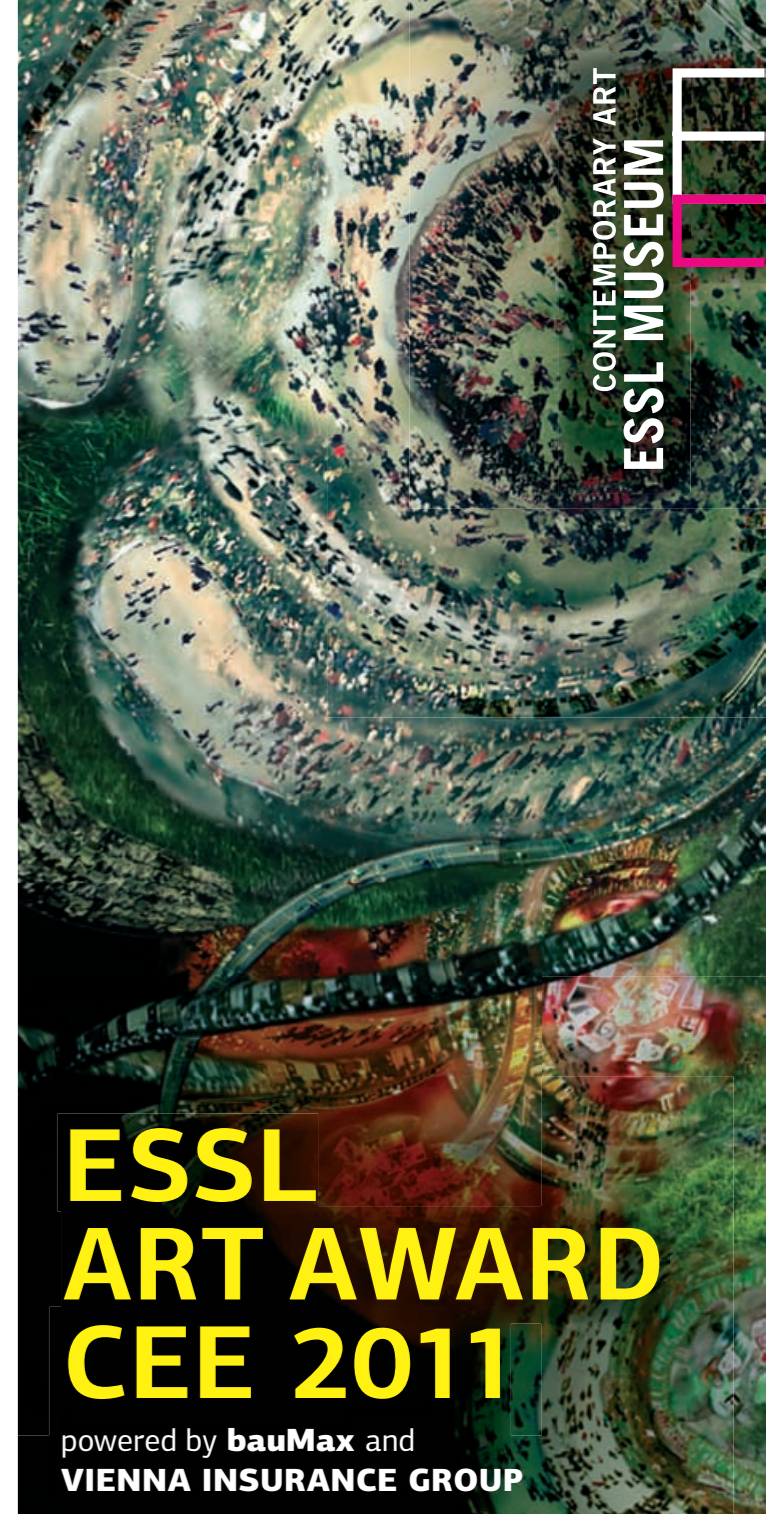
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The Vienna Insurance Group is one of the leading listed international insurance groups in Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). The Group, headquartered in Vienna, operates around 50 insurance companies in 24 countries.

As a long-term partner of the Essl Museum, VIENNA INSURANCE GROUP supports the ESSL ART AWARD CEE as the sponsor of the award category "VIG Special Invitation". The award-winning works of art will be presented at a separate exhibition at Ringturm, the headquarters of Vienna Insurance Group in Vienna. The VIG Special Invitation expresses the commitment of VIG to fostering the cross-cultural understanding of current and upcoming art movements from the CEE region. Moreover, the award is a symbol of the close partnership between the Essl Museum and Vienna Insurance Group.



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