

National participation of the Republic of Bulgaria in the 60th International Art Exhibition La Biennale di Venezia 2024

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At an official press conference organised by the Ministry of Culture, the National Gallery, and National Commissioner Nadezhda Dzhakova, PhD, the results of the competition for Bulgarian participation in the 60th International Art Exhibition La Biennale di Venezia 2024 and the winning project itself will be announced. Altogether, 17 projects were submitted, and were judged by a seven-member jury.

The press conference will be attended by Ms Amelia Gesheva, Deputy Minister of Culture; Nadezhda Dzhakova, PhD, National Commissioner and Head of the Sofia Arsenal – Museum of Contemporary Art; Prof. Venelin Shurelov, PhD, Jury Chair; the curator and creators of the winning project. Journalist and producer Evgenia Atanassova will moderate the press conference.

The 60th edition of La Biennale di Venezia, set to take place from 20 April to 24 November 2024 (pre-opening on 17, 18 and 19 April), is curated by Adriano Pedrosa under the motto *Foreigners Everywhere - Stranieri Ovunque*. This installment will focus on the themes of migration, exile and 'foreign origin'. 'The Biennale itself—an international event with the official participation of numerous countries—has always been a platform for the exhibition of works by foreigners from all over the world. Thus, the 60th International Art Exhibition of La Biennale di Venezia will be a celebration of the foreign, the distant, the outsider, the queer, as well as the indigenous,' stated Pedrosa.

In 2024, Bulgaria will register its eleventh national participation (the first was in 1910, followed by 1942, 1948, 1964, 1993, 1999, 2007, 2011, 2019, and 2022). The event will take place in the Sala Tiziano at the Centro Culturale Don Orione Artigianelli, near the Ponte dell'Accademia.

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