Call for applications

Selection 2016 of the winners

“Villa Le Nôtre”

Deadline :

The 16th of September 2016
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**Villa Le Nôtre**

ENSP, AVIP * and their partners

opened in 2015, the Villa Le Nôtre, offers a fellowship for landscape architects, artists, and designers working on different issues concerning landscape. During their residency of 3 or 6 months at the Potager du Roi of Versailles, in the house built for Jean-Baptiste de La Quintinie, the first gardener, the winners of the different programs of Villa Le Nôtre experiment, deepen and develop the project for which they were selected.

Villa Le Nôtre, is a platform that promotes the intersection and the hybridization of knowledge, cultures and innovations in the landscape architecture field. It is a space within which to invent new and creative approaches.

The edition 2016 : call for applications

As in 2015, the selection of the winners of the Villa Le Nôtre for 2016 will correspond with the objectives of the programs identified by four emblematic figures:

**André Le Nôtre**
To accompany a writing project and/or a reflexion on a professionnal experience, whether that be as a landscape architect, a designer, an artist or a scientist.

**Jean-Baptiste de la Quintinie**
Intended for designers, artists and scientists working on the interface between the landscape project and the major environmental issues: preservation of biodiversity, water resources; climate change and energy transition.

* Association pour la Villa Internationale des Paysagistes.
Jean Claude Nicolas Forestier
This program aims to accompany new work on territorial or urban prospective planning. The work should be built upon landscape propositions or on a reflection concerning landscape conception and garden art.

Yves Brunier
For young creative talents in connection with contemporary art pieces. It aims to support the project of a designer or artist based on an artistic expression that enriches the graphic communication of landscape projects.

Among the grants awarded in 2016, one will be awarded to:

(an) applicant(s) aged under 35 years
The foundation Crédit Agricole Ile-de-France Philanthropy, which supports the Villa le Nôtre, specifically aims to promote young talents.

And one will be awarded to:

a project with a theme related to reduced energy use
The « Landscape and Energy » professorship, financed by RTE and ENSP as part of its science program, aims to support artistic creations through the the Villa Le Nôtre.

Terms of application
Candidates can be French or foreign, young talents or confirmed, with an international scope or perspective.

Applicants must:
• meet the conditions attached to the program they apply for,
• speak French or English,
• commit to being present at the Villa Le Nôtre, for the period concerned by the award.
Composition of the application

The application contains a fact sheet, a summary of the project, a detailed presentation of the project (maximum 10 pages), a detailed CV and identity card or passport copy. The application file should be downloaded from the ENSP website: www.ecole-paysage.fr.

Transmission of application

Applications should be sent by email to: villa-lenotre@ecole-paysage.fr.
They cannot exceed 5 Mo.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Calendar:

Date for submission of applications (for all grants):
Friday, September 16, 2016 (midnight).

Selection of winners

The jury is made up of qualified individuals, French and foreign, teachers and, where appropriate, representatives of our partners. It is chaired by an international personality.

The files are sent to the jury members. This defines the selection process and the criteria. They meet mid-October for the final selection of the winners.

The winners of the previous edition

In 2014-2015, the Villa Le Nôtre hosted five winners:
- Amélie BLACHOT
  La représentation des territoires via les arts plastiques
- Laurence CREMEL
  Cartographier l’horizon
- Léna SOFFER
  La résurgence des sols dans la ville
- Isabelle OLIVIER
  Don’t worry, be HaRpy
- Eugénie DENARNAUD
  Bateau Pirate
How the Residence goes

Where

The National School of landscape provides a studio (studio / apartment) in the historical context of the house of Jean-Baptiste La Quintinie.

How long

3 or 6 consecutive months.

Grant

The winner receives a monthly living allowance of €2,000, intended in particular to cover food costs, accommodation, local transport, materials, etc... It is subject to social security declarations and the tax regime to which the winners are affiliated.

In accepting their award, the winners agree to do the work and research mentioned in their project during the scheduled period. The winners sign an agreement with the ENSP and AVIP.

Valorization

During his residency, ENSP, AVIP, partners and winners make every effort to promote projects and participate to the influence of the Villa Le Nôtre.

They agree to mention the Villa Le Nôtre, in their communications. ENSP facilitates meetings with students and the staff of the institution. The AVIP (Association for International Villa of Landscape architects), promotes the Villa Le Nôtre with French and international professional organizations.
With support from:

- AVIP, Association pour la Villa internationale des paysagistes
- Crédit Agricole Île-de-France Mécénat
- La Chaire d’entreprises Paysage et Énergie
- RTE, Réseau de transport d’électricité
- Val’hor, interprofession du végétal