

## OPEN CALL

### YOUNG SYRIAN ART AWARD 2025

This year's theme of the Takla Foundation's Scholarship for Young Syrian Art is "Confidence & Sensitivity". It centres on the medium of paper with all its innate characteristics, its fragility, and its tremendous versatility.

Artistic works on paper: **drawings, collages, paper cutouts, photographs, artist books, and paper objects in formats up to A3, folded up to A2, may also be submitted by mail (only upon request!).**

#### Conditions

The Takla Foundation is dedicated to the promotion of contemporary Syrian art. In 2025, the Foundation will award a scholarship for young artists, which will be linked to an exhibition in 2026 at the House of Syrian Art in Bremen. The prize is endowed with a total of €5,000, with the winner of the first prize receiving €2,500, the first runner-up receiving €1,500, and the second runner-up receiving €1,000.

#### Jury

An expert jury consisting of an art historian, an artist, and the director of the House of Syrian Art, will decide on the Award and the participation in the exhibition. A selection of applicants, submitted exclusively by email, as well as the award winners, will be represented in the exhibition with one or more works. There is no right to display all submitted works. The jury will decide on the Award and the exhibited works. **The winner will be announced at the exhibition opening in February 2026.**

#### Application

The Takla Foundation's Young Syrian Art Award is aimed at young artists of Syrian origin who are no older than 40 (deadline: November 30, 2025). They should have completed an artistic degree or be working full-time as a freelance artist.

Up to five works on paper in formats up to A3, folded up to A2, can be submitted online only via email as JPG or PDF files. Please do not send originals; these will only be requested in the second selection round.

Applications, including digital images of the artistic works, may be emailed to:

[Kunstpreis2025@Takla-Stiftung.org](mailto:Kunstpreis2025@Takla-Stiftung.org) (subject: Kunstpreis 2025). A brief CV, an artist statement on the work (idea sketch), contact information, and information about the submitted work, including title, material, technique, and dimensions, should be included to:

[Kunstpreis2025@Takla-Stiftung.org](mailto:Kunstpreis2025@Takla-Stiftung.org) (subject: Kunstpreis 2025).



**The deadline for applications is November 30, 2025.**

**Formats: Attention!**

**Works on paper may not exceed A3 format , if folded A2 format, and may be submitted by mail only upon request in the second round.**

**Procedure:**

Notification of participation in the Exhibition will be sent after the jury meeting in January 2026. **By submitting the documents, applicants accept the conditions of participation. Legal recourse is excluded.**

The prize consists of a one-time cash payment and participation in a group exhibition at the House of Syrian Art in Bremen.