International Illustrated Silent Book Contest

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The town of Mulazzo and the International Organisation of Book Towns present the first edition of the **International Illustrated Silent Book Contest** expressly dedicated to Silent Books, that is, illustrated books without words.

Given that the illustrated book and the visual language of illustrations and pictures is in no way secondary to written language, with a universal power and potential that supersedes any barrier of language or genre, the Silent Book Contest invites authors and illustrators to think up and design a book conceived exclusively for the telling of a story through illustrated images, **on any subject** and intended for a wide and diverse section of the reading public, regardless of genre or age.

For each book project sent to the competition (max. 3 per author) a complete layout should be created. The layout must be a single digital file with a maximum size of 10Mb, exclusively in high quality PDF format. The book project should be presented on double pages with a format of 57cms in width by 28.5cms in height (to give a closed format of 28.5cms x 28.5cms and opening from right to left).

Entry fee is 50 Euro (approx. 68 USD).

Eligibility

Participation is open to all illustrators of any nationality, place of birth or residence, provided that they are over the age of 18 on the 31st of December 2013.

Prize

From the book designs sent to the competition, an international Jury will select from five to ten finalists to be announced at the Bologna Children's Book Fair during *March 2014*.

The author of the book project selected as winner by the International Jury will receive an award of **Euro 4.500** (approx. 6,120 USD) as advance against copyright with regular publishing contract and the winning book project will be published by Carthusia Edizioni. The book will be presented at the award ceremony to be held in *September 2014* at Montereggio di Mulazzo (Italy).