

Call for Application: Study Award 2025/26 of the HGB Friends e.V. and Sparkasse Leipzig

Conditions of application

All HGB students who have not yet registered for their diploma and are not Meisterschüler*innen are eligible to participate.

Application deadline is **Sunday, December 7, 2025 at 23:59**. Please note that applications must be submitted by this deadline. Applications must be submitted digitally by uploading data to a folder you have created in the HGB nextcloud. Send the link to this folder to oarbeit@hgb-leipzig.de by the application deadline.

The application must be submitted with an already existing artistic work / design or complex of works / designs (no project ideas please), which must be briefly described and clearly presented in a PDF (approx. 1,800 characters, PDF with a maximum of 12 pages + plus 1 page cover sheet as described below. In the case of film work, a summary of max. 3 minutes should also be submitted).

The PDF must be accompanied by a cover page containing the following information (you are welcome to use the attached form):

- Name, e-mail address
- Subject area (book art/graphic design, photography, painting/graphics, media art)
- Supervising professor
- Title of the submitted work
- Biographical details with date of birth and details of any previous exhibitions/awards/

Attention: Missing information can lead to exclusion from the procedure!

Procedure / Exhibition / Prize money

The jury, which is made up of one representative each from the HGB Friends e.V., Sparkasse Leipzig, the Rectorate, the hgb gallery, the students and two external members, will select four works from all submitted applications, which will be shown in the study award exhibition parallel to the HGB Rundgang in February 2026 in the hgb gallery.

The total prize money of € 10,000 will be awarded to these four students in such a way that each prize winner receives € 2,000. In addition, the jury will select one of these four prize-winning works to be presented as a “special award” in the study prize catalog. The HGB Friends e.V. supports the production of the study award catalog with a sum of up to € 2,000.

The winners will be announced in December and the award-winning works will be presented on the HGB website. The prize money will be transferred in the form of one-off payments and, in the case of the study prize catalog, against proof of invoices. The official award ceremony with an exhibition of the prizewinners' works will take place in February 2026 as part of the HGB Rundgang.

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PLEASE NOTE: The data below will be made available to the jury members.

Name of the applicant

Postal address / e-mail address / telephone number

Field of study / study programme

Name of the supervising professor

Title of the submitted work

Biographical details (date of birth, any previous exhibitions / prizes / scholarships in the last two years)