

International Prize Travel Culture 2013

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The bi-annual International Prize Travel Culture established by C.I.R.V.I. with the support of the City of Mancalieri, has been awarded for the first time in 2011 to Anita Garibaldi, grand-niece of Giuseppe Garibaldi, the hero of the two Worlds, for her book Nate dal mare (Born from the Sea), published by Il Saggiatore, 2010.

This award is not and it's not intended in any way as the usual literary prize. It's certainly a unique prize in its category, invented in Moncalieri the city that hosts also the unique inter-university Center for Travel Research, which has elaborated, over the last thirty-five years of ongoing and outstanding studies, a peculiar analysis of "Travel Culture", well-known all over the world. According to this concept it's the actual "travel" event that counts, although it will be conveyed through different means of expression: therefore we welcome literary works, but also other artistic forms, such as painting, music, dance, cinema, photography, net art, digital artworks, or even scientific research which might be the intellectual product of an eventful "voyage", and as such it can also be studied.

The unique characteristics of the prize derive from the interdisciplinary and intercultural perspective which C.I.R.V.I. has always considered the foundation and essence of all its research activity, as it is also the basic standard that has guided the formation of the Tursi Collection at the Biblioteca Nazionale Marciana in Venice, whose catalogue the Center has been editing and publishing in its "Bulletin".

The Prize is announced on each "even" year for the next; the announcement is published within the end of December; later on, the submitted works will be judged by panels of experts, that include all the categories admitted. The selection is concluded when the panels of experts sanction and publish both the names of the winners and of those that have distinguished themselves. Both Winners and Distinguished Participants will then receive their assigned rewards during a public ceremony which usually takes place in September.

The deadline for application is March 31 2013. Candidates can apply by mail (letter), fax, or e-mail, and then submit their works for the panels of experts by April 10 2013. All submitted material must be unpublished or published within the past year.

Submissions for the 2013 Prize should be made to C.I.R.V.I:

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