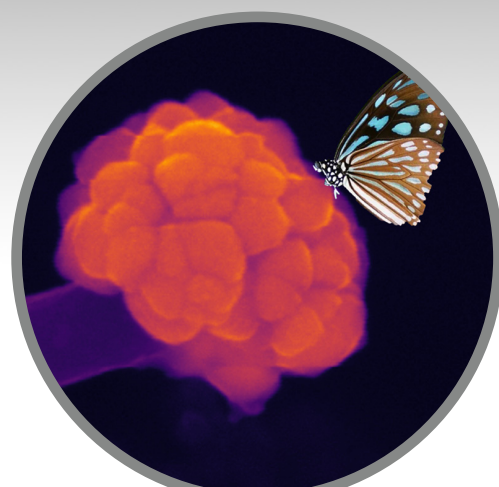


CONTEST RULES

INTRODUCTION

ART meets NANO is a contest aiming to engage the ICN2 community in the act of connecting art and science. Our goal is to encourage art as an attractive tool for communicating our nanoscience.

Through this contest we aim to promote interaction through the creation and sharing of images. We would also like to use the images to showcase the beauty of our research on the walls of the ICN2.



PARTICIPATION

All ICN2 members can submit images to this contest.

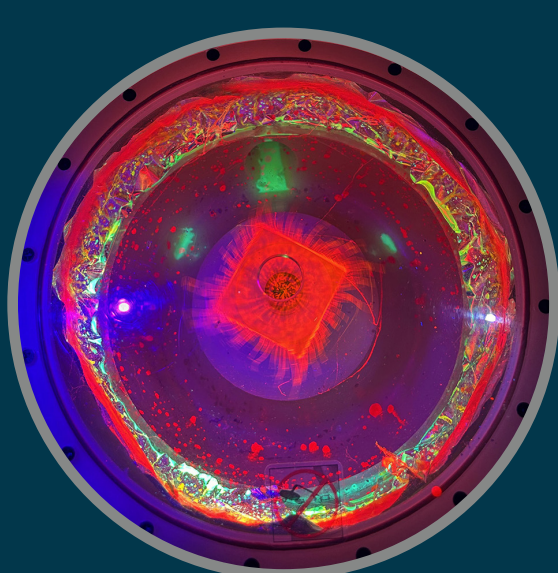
Images can be acquired either using ICN2's or external equipment. Nevertheless, all images must be clearly related to the research developed within the ICN2. In case the relationship is not clear, clarification might be demanded by the contest organisers.

Images submitted to ART Meets NANO must not have been awarded any prize in another imaging contest.

The author must be the holder of the rights of all the submitted images.

Participants retain ownership over the images and descriptions submitted to the ICN2 as part of ART Meets NANO.

As a condition of applying to the contest, the participant grants the ICN2 a perpetual, transferrable, irrevocable, worldwide, royalty-free and non-exclusive license to use, reproduce, adapt, modify, publish, distribute and publicly display any image submitted to this contest.



TOPIC

The images must be related to nanoscience and nanotechnology research developed at the ICN2 and its technological or industrial application, reflecting the motivation, instrumentation and/or technologies used for its development.

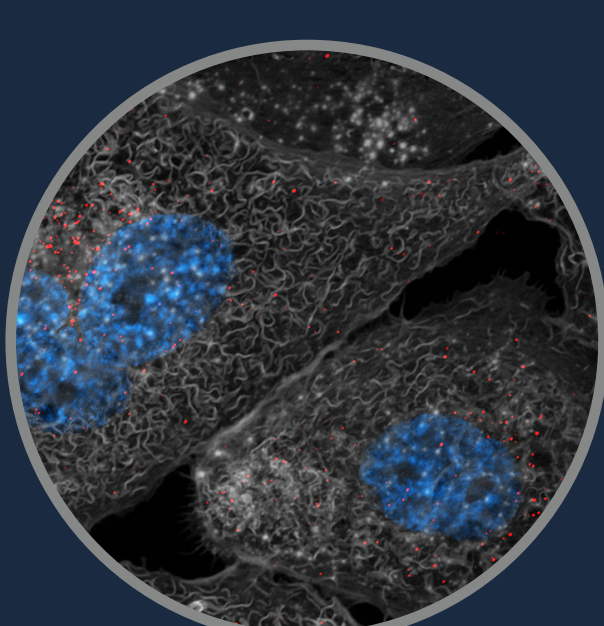
There are two main categories:

- ➔ **Nano/micro:** Images acquired with any kind of microscope (optical, electron, SPM, etc.)
- ➔ **General:** Other scientific images including photos (set-ups, samples, equipment, etc), theoretical simulations, data visualisation and any type of scientific illustration. It also includes all forms of artistic data representation, from data simulations to other creative visual formats.



SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- ➔ **Submission of images will be open up to 9 November 2025.**
- ➔ Images must be submitted in digital format.
- ➔ Images and their description (**use the attached template also available on the Intranet**) must be submitted via e-mail to artmeetsnano@icn2.cat
- ➔ Participants may submit images to both categories.
- ➔ Each image will be evaluated individually as a standalone piece, meaning it must have its own description.
- ➔ The same image may not be submitted more than once by different participants.
- ➔ Participants must have the consent of any third parties involved in the generation of the image prior to submission (e.g. sample owner, editor of the image, etc.).
- ➔ The image description will include a box to explain how the image has a direct link with the research performed at ICN2.
- ➔ Both the title and the description must be written in English.
- ➔ **Images must be sent in JPG format and have a minimum of 1024 x 1024 pixels and 300dpi resolution.**
- ➔ False colouring and editing of the images is permitted, provided the scientific information is kept. **In case of any modification of the original image, participants must also include the raw file in their submission e-mail.**
- ➔ Images that do not comply with the above rules will not be accepted. The ICN2 also reserves the right to reject images which include elements that do not respect the basic rules of education, civility and decorum.



SELECTION AND AWARDS

- ➔ **Accepted images will be published on the ICN2 Intranet by 17 November.**
- ➔ The winning images (two, one per category) will be selected by popular vote in a process open to all the ICN2 staff via the ICN2 Intranet. ICN2 members will be able to vote for up to **three** different images (three in total, not per category). At least one vote must fall in each of the two categories.
- ➔ Voting for an image more than once per person will not be allowed.
- ➔ **The voting period will extend from 17 to 24 November.**
- ➔ The winner in each category will be the one that received the most votes in that category.
- ➔ Contest winners will be announced at the ICN2 Season's Greetings event by the end of the year.
- ➔ **The winners of each category (one per category) will be rewarded with €150 in exchange for sharing the image rights.** The winning images will be printed and exhibited in the ICN2.
- ➔ The images will be featured on a surprise gadget that will be distributed to attendees at the ICN2 Season's Greetings event.
- ➔ **ICN2 Season's Greetings card:** One of the submitted images may also be selected to feature in the official ICN2 Season's Greetings card. Any image from either category could be chosen for this purpose. Participants who believe their image could be suitable are kindly asked to indicate this in the Description section of the submission form. Please note that this recognition is optional and may remain unawarded if no suitable proposals are received.



We can't wait to MEET your NANOART !

The **Organisation Committee** is made up of:

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