



Hvar Bodypainting Festival

powered by the World Bodypainting Association

13 & 14 June 2026

Hvar, Croatia

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ARTIST INFORMATION

CHANGES MAY APPLY (UPDATED DECEMBER 2025)



THE WORLD BODYPAINTING ASSOCIATION - WBA

The World Bodypainting Association was founded in Austria in October 2001. The association began as a result of the yearly World Bodypainting Festival which started in Austria. The **WBA focuses on networking artists and bodypainting interested people** and companies all around the world with many different events, and education programs. Even though the goal of the WBA to promote bodypainting as an art form was reached years ago, **we connect creative minds to keep pushing limits.**

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ABOUT THE EVENT

For the past two years, the event has taken place on the beautiful island of Hvar, Croatia. Following this success, we are excited to announce **the 3rd Hvar Bodypainting Festival!** The first day will feature an **exciting contest** where artists will compete in **two categories**, inspired by the theme of "Tropical Chic" On the second day, artists can **freely showcase their creativity** in a relaxed jam session. With Hvar as the backdrop, this promises to be an unforgettable celebration of art and community.

JUNE 13TH 2026 - COMPETITION DAY

CATEGORY: OPEN BODYPAINTING

LOCATION: **TBA**

THEME: Stories in Wonderland - where everyday life turns into a fairytale

09:00
10:00 - 16:00

Registration and welcoming
Competition

16:00 - 17:00
17:00 - 20:00

Jury
Photoshooting

L O C A T I O N C H A N G E

21:00 - 22:00
22:00 - 00:00

Presentation
Awarding & Celebration

JUNE 14TH 2026 - JAM SESSION

LOCATION: TO BE ANNOUNCED

Transfer will be organized by the organizer (detailed info will be given on site)

09:00 - 17:00

THEME: ARTIST'S CHOICE
Painting Session

Sunset
until 00:00

Photoshooting with our crew
photographers
Performance & Presentation

THEME

Hvar Bodypainting Festival 2026



Artist Bella Volen | Photographer Alex Barendregt

ABOUT THE LOCATION

Hvar, a Croatian island in the Adriatic Sea, boasts a unique landscape with a fertile coastal plain, pine-covered hillsides, and agricultural areas with vineyards, olive groves, fruit orchards, and lavender fields. Its strategic location has made it historically significant, serving as a hub for trade and cultural development since ancient times.

Nearest airport: Split, Croatia

Ferry transfer from Split - Hvar - Split:

<https://www.ferrycroatia.com/en/split-hvar/>

Hotels: Cosy Island Hvar offers a diverse range of hotels and apartments, it is easy to reach any location on the island.

More about HVAR on their SM channel:

Instagram Page <https://www.instagram.com/visithvarhr/>

Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/visithvar.hr>



Artist Florine Colledara | Photographer Daniel Janesch

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Open Category Bodypainting

1st place: Trophy & € 1,000 in cash

2nd place: Trophy & € 500 in cash

3rd place: Trophy & € 250 in cash

Other sponsors may be added later

PRIZES THEMES

THEME:

Stories in Wonderland - where everyday life turns into a fairytale

RULES FOR ALL CATEGORIES:

- The artist may work **with 1 assistant** during the whole competition.
- **No extra assistants** are allowed for hairstyling etc.
- You are allowed to prepare the hairstyle of the model before the beginning of the contest.
- **Only bodypainting colors** are to be used for any painting on the body. We ask you to please think of the safety of your model – let your model drink and eat, visit the bathroom at any time during the competition.
- Please note: **No** using of any **color**, basis, make-up or attachments **before the official start**.
- **Any brand** of paint product may be used.
- All **supplies** have to be provided by participants themselves.
- The **genitals and nipples** of the model **must be covered**; You are allowed to use all kinds of special covers with various materials and silicones.
- **Working space** will be equipped with a table, chairs and electricity.
- To **present your work** for the judges please prepare text about your work **max. 300 words** translated to ENGLISH and PRINT in 4 copies.
- **Music** for the presentation on stage **max. 2 min.** must be sent **as a file** (NOT as a link) **2 weeks before** the event!
- The model must be at least **18 years old**.
- The model must agree, by **signing a form before the start** of the competition, that the photos and video-films made may be further used.
- The artist must also agree by **signing a form before the start** of the competition, that the photos and video-films made may be further used.

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS:

BODYPAINTING AWARD: OPEN CATEGORY

This category is an open category, where a mix of techniques is allowed (airbrush and brush/sponge)

- Submitted work must be fully original and not previously published or used in any form.
- The head piece can be chosen (wigs, bald caps, decoration)
- The use of attachments is allowed in this category.
- SFX parts could be pre painted
- Any kind of headpiece is allowed.
- A bald head is NOT allowed to glue before the competition

The jury judges:

Quality, technique and ability of painting	1 – 12 points
Use and quality of the SFX or costume parts	1 – 9 points
Interpretation of the theme, idea and originality	1 – 9 points
Composition of the work, overall impression	1 – 9 points

For a fair evaluation, entries in this category must include both bodypainting and decorative elements (such as headpieces, attachments, or additional artistic features).

The following is a list of **THINGS ALLOWED** in this category:

- ✓ Sketch, stencils and transparent paper
- ✓ Eye lenses, eyelashes, false fingernails
- ✓ Headpieces, wigs or hair attachment
- ✓ Shoes coming up not higher than the knee
- ✓ Glitter and/or Crystal diamonds
- ✓ Anything attached to the skin with any type of glue masks
- ✓ Anything attached to the body with string, elastic, or tape.



REGISTRATION



Winners of the Brush/Sponge category | Photographer Daniel Janesch

Registrations

should be done via the **online form only!**
wb-association.org.

deadline for sending the application form
May 24th, 2026

Portfolio photos must be attached

without it we cannot proceed with your registration.

Registration fee is € 30

JAM SESSION is FREE of charge

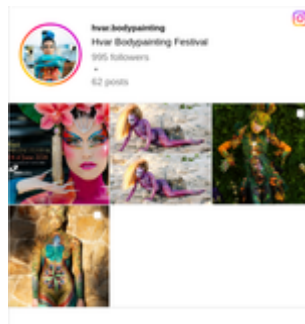
To ensure your spot, payment should be made **within 7 days** after the confirmation letter was sent.

Complete your registration

AFTER you got your ID via the ONLINE SHOP

WEBSITE: WWW.HVAR.WB-ASSOCIATION.ORG

GOOD LUCK!



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