



Austrian Bodypainting & Make-up Awards
powered by the World Bodypainting Association

14 & 15 November 2026

Vienna, Austria

ARTIST INFORMATION

CHANGES MAY APPLY (UPDATED MARCH 2026)



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.**

www.wb-association.org.

ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Competitions are a powerful opportunity for artists to gain professional recognition, strengthen their portfolio, and present their skills in front of an expert jury. We are proud to offer a professional stage where creatives can showcase their work in an inspiring environment and connect with industry professionals, and build strong new contacts within the creative field.

For the first time, we are excited to present the **Austrian Bodypainting & Make-up Awards in 4 different categories in the heart of Austria - Vienna.**

Join us, show your talent, and become part of a growing and ambitious artistic community.



ABOUT THE LOCATION

Pyramide Wien/Vösendorf

The Pyramide is **one of Austria's most distinctive event venues**, located just south of Vienna. Known for its striking glass pyramid architecture, the venue offers spacious, light-filled exhibition halls and modern conference facilities, making it an ideal setting for large-scale fairs, creative festivals, and professional networking events. Its convenient location near Vienna ensures easy access for both national and international visitors.

Address: Parkallee 2, 2334 Vösendorf, Austria

ABOUT THE EVENT

Photo+Adventure is **Austria's largest photography and adventure fair-festival**, bringing together photography, travel, outdoor and content creation under one roof each November at the Pyramide Wien/Vösendorf. The event features a rich mix of exhibitions, workshops, expert talks, hands-on gear testing, creative seminars and inspiring travel and photo presentations, making it a vibrant hub for photographers, videographers and adventure enthusiasts of all levels.

TIMELINE BODYPAINTING & BEAUTY MAKE-UP

NOVEMBER 14TH, 2026

C A T E G O R Y : C L A S S I C B O D Y P A I N T I N G

08:00

09:00 - 14:00

Registration and welcoming
Competition

14:00 - 16:00

14:30 - 17:00

Jury

Photoshooting

C A T E G O R Y : B E A U T Y M A K E - U P

10:00

11:00 - 12:00

Registration and welcoming
Competition

12:00 - 13:00

13:15 - 17:00

Jury

Photoshooting

17:30 - 18:00

Presentation & Awarding
for both categories



NEW

UPDATE

Due to changes in the exhibition closing time, some adjustments have been made to the schedule.

NOVEMBER 15TH, 2026

CATEGORY: CREATIVE MAKE-UP

09:00

10:00 - 12:00

Registration and welcoming
Competition

12:00 - 13:00

12:00 - 16:00

Jury
Photoshooting

CATEGORY: FACEPAINTING

11:00

12:00 - 14:30

Registration and welcoming
Competition

14:30 - 15:30

14:30 - 16:00

Jury
Photoshooting

16:15 - 17:00

Presentation & Awarding
for both categories

TIMELINE CREATIVE MAKE-UP & FACEPAINTING



Artist Nadja Hluchovsky | Photographer Daniel Janesch

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PRIZES FOR EVERY CATEGORY

1st place: Trophy & € 500 + product prize

2nd place: Trophy & € 300 + product prize

3rd place: Trophy & € 200 + product prize

sponsor tba

Austrian Award: Facepainting: The **TOP 3 winners** will receive product prizes from

Superstar 

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Austrian Award: CLASSIC BODYPAINTING

Metamorphosis

Transformation is the essence of bodypainting. In this category, artists are invited to show the beauty of change - from one form into another, from reality into fantasy. Let the body become the canvas of an inspiring metamorphosis.

Austrian Award: BEAUTY MAKE-UP

Power of Color

Color is one of the most powerful tools in beauty make-up. Artists are invited to create a striking look where colors play the leading role, enhancing the model's features and expressing creativity. Bold, harmonious, or unexpected combinations are welcome.

Austrian Award: CREATIVE MAKE-UP

Galactic Queen

Travel beyond the stars and imagine a powerful queen of the universe. Artists are invited to create an imaginative make-up design inspired by cosmic beauty, futuristic elements, and celestial power. Let your Galactic Queen shine with originality and creativity.

Austrian Award: FACEPAINTING

Spirit of Vienna

Vienna is a city of art, music, culture, and elegance. Artists are invited to capture the spirit and atmosphere of Vienna through their facepainting design. Interpret the city's charm, history, and artistic heritage in your own creative way.

RULES FOR ALL CATEGORIES:

- 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 of the model **must be covered**; You are allowed to use all kind of special covers with various materials and silicones.
 - **Working space** will be equiped with a table, chairs and electriscity.
 - To **present your work** in front of the judges please be ready to do it **in 2 minutes** .
 - Presentation on stage will be in the catwalk style, music will be provided by the organizer!
 - All **models** obligatory should **visit** the official **photo area** after the jury.
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- 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.

The link to the form will be sent to you in the confiramtion letter and must be filled BEFORE the event.

RULES FOR ALL CATEGORIES:

Hygiene & Cleanliness of the working space

- Only clean, cosmetic-grade products to be used
- Brushes and sponges are clean and disinfected
- Water containers are clean and changed regularly
- Work surface is tidy and well organized
- No products placed directly on the floor
- Wipes, tissues, and waste disposed properly
- Overall appearance is neat and professional

At the registrations desk every participant will get a goodie bag with NOMA Cosmetics.

NOMA COSMETICS

BE BOLD, BE BRIGHT, BE YOU

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CATEGORY **CLASSIC BODYPAINTING**

This category focuses on the classical painting technique.

Time: 5 hours (The Assistant is **ALLOWED** to work at all time)

- No extra assistants are allowed for hairstyling etc.
- Airbrushing is not allowed in this category.
- The use of attachments is not allowed in this category.
- The work must be original and not previously published.

Jury judges:

- Painting 1 – 10 points
- Color decision 1 – 10 points
- Composition 1 – 10 points
- Theme & Originality 1 – 10 points

ALLOWED to use:

- ✓ False fingernails, eye lashes, eye lenses
- ✓ Headpieces, wigs or hair attachment
- ✓ Sketches
- ✓ Stencils
- ✓ To use blue print or transfer paper
- ✓ Imitation of the **bald head** is allowed to glue **before the competition**
- ✓ Shoes coming up not higher than the knee
- ✓ Glitter in loose form or in spray form
- ✓ To hold props in hands

Anything not included in this list is not to be used and is against the rules.

It is **NOT ALLOWED** to use:

- ✗ Crystal diamonds
- ✗ Glitter in a glue form or attached with glue
- ✗ Anything attached to the skin with any type of glue masks
- ✗ Anything attached to the body with string, elastic, or tape - other than decorative headwear as specified above.

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CATEGORY **BEAUTY MAKE-UP**

Create a look as if a client has hired you to design an outstanding style for a **professional photoshoot**. Your make-up, outfit, hair, and any headpiece should all **follow one clear concept**. Everything must **match and support the same idea**. The **half-body look** should feel complete, harmonious, and well planned.

Time: 1 hour

- Your look must follow the given theme.
- You should concentrate on the technique, cleanliness and trends.
- However, if your makeup is very extreme or artistic, it may be better suited for the Creative Makeup category.
- Get inspired by: Theme, Met Gala, Red carpet events, Editorial photoshoots and of course your model.

The **jury judges**:

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|---------------------------------|---------------|
| ◦ Base & cleanliness of make-up | 1 – 10 points |
| ◦ Use of color | 1 – 10 points |
| ◦ Technique | 1 – 10 points |
| ◦ Theme & Overall look | 1 – 10 points |

Can be prepared before the competition start:

- ✓ Hair, Costume or outfit, Nails
- ✓ Wigs, headpieces, hair accessories

ALLOWED to use:

- ✓ False eyelashes
- ✓ Eye contacts
- ✓ Glued-on items (like rhinestones, glitter, decorations)
- ✓ Wigs, headpieces, hair accessories

It is **NOT ALLOWED** to use:

- ✗ Prosthetics or SFX makeup
- ✗ Mask pieces
- ✗ Any product that is not safe for the skin

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CATEGORY CREATIVE MAKE-UP

The aim of this category is to perform a **creative look** that harmonizes with current **TRENDS** in make-up, fashion and photography, together with a given **theme**. It is important to pay enough attention to the technique, perfection, cleanness and the overall quality of the make-up. The **half-body look** should feel complete, harmonious, and well planned.

Time: 2 hours

- The participant **must work alone**.
- The **face and neck** may be worked on and **will be judged**.
- Make-up base or false eyelashes are not allowed to be applied before to the start of the competition.
- It is allowed to prepare hair, imitation of the bald head, hands and nails before the competition.

The **jury judges**:

◦ Base & blending	1 – 10 points
◦ Color decision & color complexity	1 – 10 points
◦ Quality & Technique	1 – 10 points
◦ Theme, creativity	1 – 10 points

ALLOWED to use:

- ✓ False eyelashes, nails, eye lenses
- ✓ Glitter, Crystals, Feathers
- ✓ Wigs, imitation of the bald head
- ✓ Decoration accessories on the head and shoulders

All decorations on a glue base should take no more than 20% of the face.

It is **NOT ALLOWED** to use:

- ✗ Prosthetics or latex-based items, sfx or masks
- ✗ Glasses
- ✗ Airbrush
- ✗ Stencils
- ✗ Any material that obscures more than 20% of the face

For drawings and illustrations on the face, there is a special category "Facepainting"

SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR THE CATEGORY **FACEPAINTING**

This category represents skills of the artist in fitting a painting of story on a model's face.

Time: 2.5 hours

- An assistant is NOT allowed.
- The **face, neck and décolletage** may be painted and will be **judged** only.
- All work outside these areas are not going to be judged.
- It is allowed to work on hair, do an imitation of bald head, nails, painted hands before the competition.

The **jury judges**:

Quality and technique of painting	1 – 10 points
Color decision	1 – 10 points
Composition of the work and use of face shape	1 – 10 points
Interpretation of the theme, idea and originality	1 – 10 points

The **half-body look** should feel complete, harmonious, and well planned.

ALLOWED to use:

- ✓ Fake eyelashes
- ✓ Nails
- ✓ Eye lenses
- ✓ Wigs, imitations of bald head
- ✓ Glitter in loose form or spray on form
- ✓ Decoration accessories on the head and shoulders

NOT ALLOWED to use:

- ✗ Masks, mask pieces or other SFX.
- ✗ Pieces that are glued to the face.
- ✗ Airbrush technique

REGISTRATION



Artist Nadja Hluchovsky | Photographer Daniel Janesch

Registrations

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

deadline for sending the application form
October 12th, 2026

Portfolio photos must be attached

Registration fee is € 30 per category

without it we cannot proceed with your registration.

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

GOOD LUCK!



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