

# Circolo Scandinavo

Skandinaviska Föreningens Konstnärshus i Rom

## Circolo Scandinavo's General Assembly and Annual Meeting

Date: 27.4.2023

Time: 18.00

Location: Circolo Scandinavo

1. Opening of the General Assembly and the Annual Meeting, and approval of that the annual meeting was convened in accordance with the statutes

Kolbrún Hallórsdóttir opens the meeting at 18.17 and welcomes everyone. The meeting is convened in accordance with the statutes and established as legitimate.

2. Election of chairperson, secretary and two reviewers for the minutes of the Annual meeting

Kolbrún will be chairing the meeting, Charlotte Jansson is the secretary, and Lone Falster and Richard Lydiker the reviewers for the minutes.

3. Approval of two Election officials

Mattias Palsson and Eva Holten are chosen as election officials.

4. Approval of the Agenda

Approved by the members.

5. Approval of the Board's Annual Report 2022

Circolo is part of a big network in Rome and has actively been collaborating with universities, institutes, academies and embassies. One of the bigger collaborations this year was Circolo's participation in *Novembre Nordico*, a Nordic festival in Rome arranged together with the Nordic Institutes and embassies.

Konstsamfundet i Finland gave Circolo a grant for a Swedish speaking Finnish artist. The artist, Laura Böök, had residency in Naples. Circolo visited Laura in Naples and Laura presented her work at Circolo. The residency in Naples worked well and the discussion with Konstsamfundet is continuing. For the second year Circolo collaborated with students at *Istituto Europeo di Design (IED)* that resulted in a successful event taking place at Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Moderna.

In September 2022 Charlotte Jansson started her 11 month internship as the assistant of Circolo. Ida Helsighoff, a Danish art history student from Århus University, did her internship here in October and November. Elizabeta, the cleaning staff, continues working for Circolo. As part of the rental contract the property has a gardener, Michel, who takes care of the garden twice a month.

The members approve the annual report.

## 6. Approval of the accounts for 2022

Circolo's director is presenting the difficult financial situation Circolo is in due to the cuts in the budget and previous years debts that had to be paid. The director and the board members have worked hard to change the minister's minds about financing our operations, but as for the year 2024 there is no budget granted. Circolo needs 1,3 million DKK per year to continue to operate. The residency moving from Via Lungara to Santa Sabina has reduced the costs significantly, due to a stable rental contract (instead of the former commercial contract) and a 30 % less monthly rent.

The meeting approved the accounts.

## 7. Approval of the budget for 2023

The meeting approved the budget for 2023.

## 8. Election of five members of the Executive Board and two substitute members

The candidates attending the meeting give a short presentation of themselves.

Mårten Westö, Morten Kyndrup, Kolbrun Hallórsdóttir, Lone Falster and Lars Strandh got elected as board members.

Mia Törnqvist, who is representing the Nordic art organisations, and Björn Ross are resigning as board members.

Christine Aspelund is stepping down as a board member but will remain as a substitute member of the board.

Linda K. Gaarder, who is representing the Nordic Embassies in Rome, and Ulf R. Hansson, who is representing the Nordic Institutes in Rome, will continue as board members.

## 9. Proposals received

No proposals received.

10. Any other business

No objections are raised.

The Annual Assembly Meeting ends at 21.12