

FORCI ART FOUNDATION





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The Forci Art Foundation was established in 2023 by Melanie and Nina van Ogtrop - art loving mother-in-law and daughter-in-law

The foundation's principal aim is to fund the annual artists-in-residence program for a minimum of three artists at Tenuta di Forci. Our vision and the mission of the foundation is to empower and enable emerging artistic talent to create thought provoking art inspired by the Forci passion for regeneration and sustainability.

Our ambition is simply to spread the regenerative message through brilliant art and thereby creating a network of like minded artists, art connoisseurs, art institutions, galleries and collectors.

Art Residency Program

Guided by its advisory board, Forci Art Foundation will select and invite annually three emerging artists, active in different media, to reside at the 14th century Tenuta di Forci in Lucca for up to two months. It is hoped that the artists will find inspiration in Forci's sublime surroundings, and the sustainable and regenerative principals that guide the estate.

The foundation will support the artists by facilitating connections with the local community, annually introducing them to one globally established artist, and coordinating a highly-promoted ten-day exhibition to showcase the art created during their residency.



Art Residency 2024 - Artists



Ellis Holman became fascinated by the textures of the rocks and cloud formations in the Italian mountains. In her research, she seeks a disconnection from society and explores the theme of Solitude and Loneliness, an emotion often associated with the mountains.



Felix Reiterer delved into the overlap between human and machine perceptions of the environment through the experimental technique of photogrammetry, also known as 3D scanning.



Matilde Sambo has developed artworks as the result of encounters, entanglements, knowledge and recognition, focusing on questions related to sensory perception, the relationship of the body to space and surroundings, the definition of home and time.

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Rogier Houwen photographed Forci's magical natural surroundings accentuated by light and dark and radiating his theme of cosmic awareness.

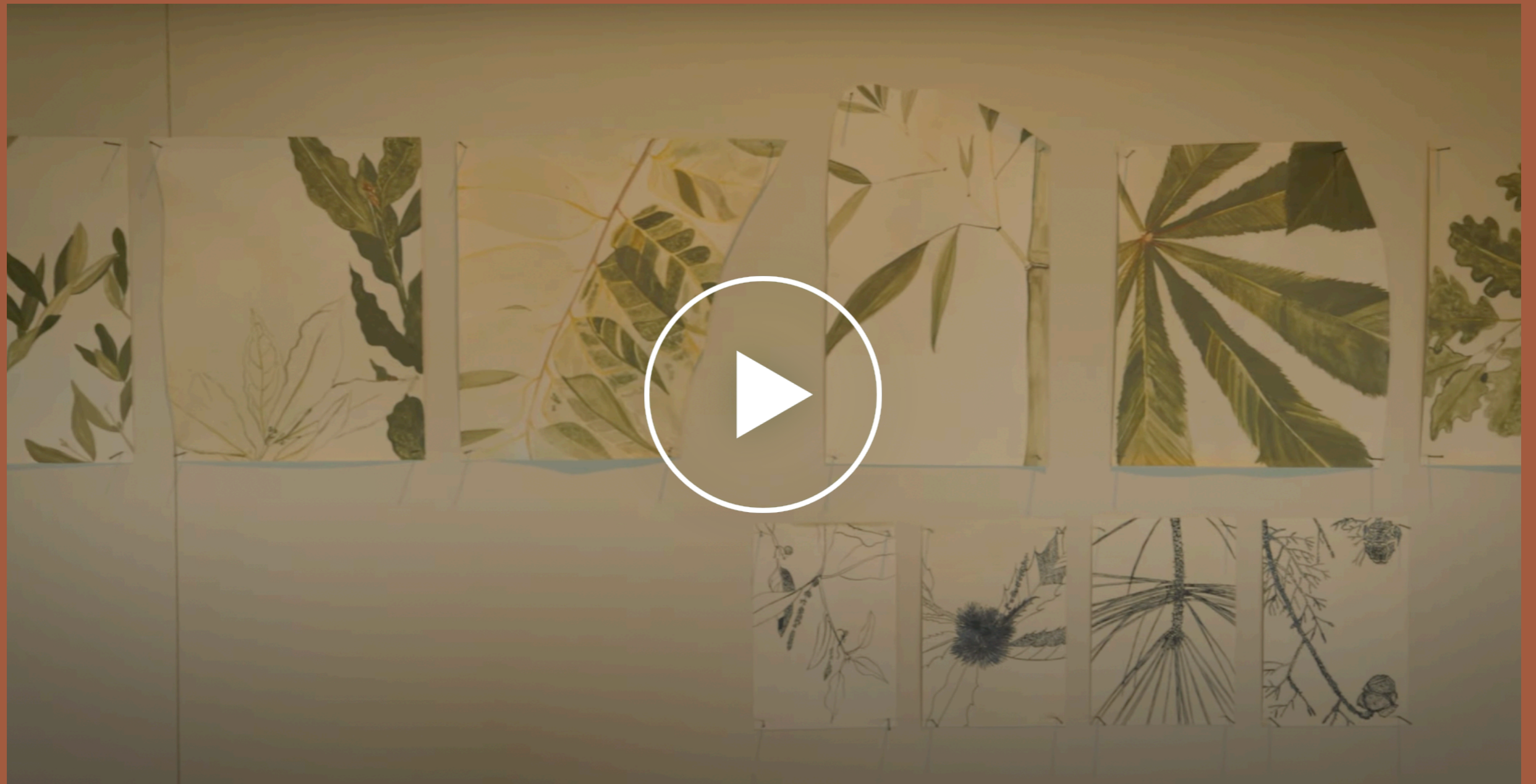


Vincent Mock cognisant of too many people's lack of awareness and possibly interest in our extraordinary world aimed to reconnect us to nature in a physical way and draw attention to our depleted oceans.



Clementine Robertson responded to Forci's complex heritage and deep ecology by capturing the resonant hum between mountain and sea through botanical painting, sculpture and performance.

Art Residency 2023



A scenic landscape view of a valley. In the foreground, there are several olive trees and a vineyard. The middle ground is dominated by a dense forest of green trees. In the background, a town is visible in a valley, with mountains in the distance under a hazy sky. The text "Art Residency 2025" is overlaid in the center of the image.

Art Residency 2025

Dates

Arrival week: 26 May - 1 June 2025

Residency: 2 June - 23 July 2025

Exhibition: 26 July - 3 Aug 2025

Departure week: 4 - 8 Aug 2025



Forci Art Foundation offers:

- All reasonable travel expenses
- Accommodation including individual bedrooms in the main house
- Private artist studios & access to a well-equipped communal workspace
- Guidance by curators Melanie & Nina throughout the residency
- Connection to the local community by organising studio visits & events
- Connection to collectors, art professionals & press during the exhibition days
- Online promotion through Forci's newsletter, website & Instagram
 - Car available on request
- Tour of the property & welcome lunch
- Closing dinner with curators, advisory board and supporters

Forci Art Foundation requests from the resident:

- To create a minimum of 2 artworks
 - The artist is responsible for the transportation, removal or storage (elsewhere!) of their works and all the materials that will be used
- 40 percent commission on sales during the exhibition. Each sale will benefit the foundation & perpetuate its mission
- Any donated art will become part of the permanent Forci Art Collection that will be on permanent display



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