



ICOM
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UMAC AWARD 2026 NOMINATION FORM

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR NOMINATION



DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF NOMINATIONS IS 30 JULY 2026

HOW TO NOMINATE

Please complete this form. Except for a short description, all information supplied will be treated as strictly confidential and used only by the Evaluation Panel for the purpose of selecting the winner.

This form, once completed, must be emailed to secretary.umac@icom.museum

You may include any additional information to support your nomination, such as pictures, files or testimonials, together with your emailed nomination form.

You will receive a confirmation of receipt for your emailed entry. If you have not received this within 48 hours please contact us again. These entries will all be forwarded to the UMAC Award Chair once the submission deadline has arrived.

The deadline for nominations is 23:59 (CET) on 30 July 2026.

Read the UMAC AWARD RULES carefully before you start:

<http://umac.icom.museum/umac-award/rules/>

Queries regarding the nomination process should be emailed to the UMAC Award Chair:

Joshua Gorman

joshua_gorman@fas.harvard.edu

(Queries regarding the nomination process should be sent to Joshua Gorman only – your completed nomination and supporting documentation must be emailed to secretary.umac@icom.museum for registration and confirmation purposes)

Cover image: from the 2025 UMAC Award winning project

"ARTS AND LIFE. A CASE STUDY OF RESEARCH, TEACHING, AND DISSEMINATION OF THE MEDICAL SPECIALTY OF PALLIATIVE CARE THROUGH ART AND THE ARTISTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NAVARRA MUSEUM (MUN)", Spain.

NOMINATION STEPS

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Step 1: CONFIRM YOU MEET NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

The entry is submitted by two UMAC members in good standing (this means 1. you are an ICOM member who has chosen UMAC as committee of first choice AND 2. that you have paid the annual membership fees). Contact details and ICOM membership numbers will be asked in the next section.

Step 2: CONFIRM YOUR NOMINEE MEETS THE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible:

- The UMAC Award is open to all university museums and collections, whether they are ICOM or UMAC members or not.
- Projects or initiatives nominated must demonstrate: INNOVATION / CREATIVITY, EXCELLENCE, TRANSFERABILITY of ideas that can be adopted by other university museums and collections and IMPACT on the host university, the community or society at large.
- Projects or initiatives must have been active between 2024 and 2026.
- You can nominate your own university museum or collection.
- Projects or initiatives can be of any size.
- Projects or initiatives can be formal or informal.

Step 3: BEGIN SUBMISSION

It is important that your entry is clear, concise and unequivocally demonstrates how your nominee meets all the criteria above.

You must submit the form completed in all respects - you may not send your entry in successive parts at different times. Be prepared to include all the necessary information (name of the project or initiative, name of the university museum or collection, name of the director/individual responsible, university, location, start and end dates) and detailed justifications.

Please note that the Evaluation Panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

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NOMINATION FORM

Reminder: Both Nominators must be UMAC Members (Institutional or Individual) in good standing

Details of the First (1st) Nominator

Name of Member	
Email address	
ICOM membership number	

Details of the Second (2nd) Nominator

Name of Member	
Email address	
ICOM membership number	

UMAC AWARD 2026 NOMINEE

General information about the NOMINEE

Name of University Museum or Collection	
Full Address	
Website	
Name of the person in charge (to be contacted in case the nominee wins)	
Job title of person in charge (director, curator, etc)	
Email address of the person in charge	

Justification for nomination

Name of Project/Initiative	
Start and end dates	

Short description (to be made public) (max. 100 words)

Justify EXCELLENCE (max. 200 words)

Justify INNOVATION/CREATIVITY (max. 200 words)

Justify IMPACT on the university, the community or society at large (max. 200 words)

Additional comments (max. 200 words)

List any additional material included with the nomination email (e.g. images, files, testimonials) to secretary.umac@icom.museum

Please note: You may be contacted should further information or clarification be required. The winner of the UMAC Award 2026 will be announced during the UMAC Annual General Assembly in Patras, Greece, October 2026.

The UMAC Secretary will confirm receipt of your submission. If you have not received a response within 48 hours, please contact us to ensure your submission has been received: secretary.umac@icom.museum

Thank you for your nomination to the UMAC AWARD 2026