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**Goodbye Aguilas.
See you next year.**



Photo Daniel Janesch, Artist: Yuri Falzetti & Christel Van Den

WBF Spain 2026 Jury Photos Now Online!

The official jury pictures from **WBF Spain 2026** in **Águilas** are now available in our online gallery!

Take a look behind the scenes and revisit the unforgettable moments with our incredible international jury who helped shape the first World Championship of the 2026 season.

WBF Spain 2026 A Colorful World Championship



Photo: Daniel Janesch

On **February 7th, 2026**, the city of **Águilas, Spain**, became the international stage for the first World Championship of the season within the new World Bodypainting Festival series. Held during the world-famous **Carnival de Águilas on the Costa Cálida**, WBF Spain 2026 welcomed artists from over **10 nations**, creating a vibrant celebration of creativity, culture, and artistic excellence.



The Jury

The competition was evaluated by an experienced international jury panel whose expertise, professionalism, and dedication ensured a fair and high-level judging process. We sincerely thank our jury members - **Alex Barendregt, Elena Tagliapietra, María Alcaina Romera and Houyam Hajlaoui** - for their invaluable contribution to the success of the event.



The Winners

Competing in the category **World Award: Bodypainting & Show**, participants presented breathtaking live performances under the inspiring theme: **“Circus – Balancing Fantasy and Reality.”**

The competition showcased extraordinary technical skill, imaginative storytelling, and powerful stage presence, transforming the human body into spectacular living artworks. It really was a party on stage!





1st Place: Yuri Falzetti & Christel Van Den (Italy / Spain)



2nd Place: Lee Chaewon & Jang Eunbi (South Korea)



3rd Place: Yim Nayeon & Kim Yewon (South Korea)

Congratulations to all participating artists for their outstanding performances and to the winners for earning the first World Champion titles of the 2026 season.

For more information, please visit our **official website**.

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Reminder WBF Italy 2026
2 days, 2 categories and a workshop

Sterzing/Vipiteno, Italy | 3rd & 4th July 2026



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Photo: Johannes Stötter

We have a second category for you

We also have an exciting surprise for the **World Championships in Italy.**

Just like last year, the **Camouflage World Championships** will return to **Sterzing / Vipiteno**.

In addition, we are thrilled to introduce a **second World Championship category: Facepainting**. Thanks to a new sponsor, **Superstar**, we are able to offer this additional World Championship category and expand the creative possibilities even further.



Photo: Wolfgang Honzejk

The Theme for Facepainting

The Theme for the category Facepainting will be **Spiritual Guardians**.

This theme encourages artists to explore the deep connection between **spiritual protection and identity**. Whether interpreted as a powerful inner force, a guiding ancestor, or a symbolic creature from myth and nature, *Spiritual Guardians* represent the energy that surrounds, protects, and strengthens us.

Designs may be subtle or bold, ancient or futuristic — as long as they convey a sense of guidance, resilience, and sacred presence brought to life through facepainting.

More Infos
on our WBF website

Workshop at the WBF Italy 2026

And one of last year's highlights is back again

Photo Day with Tobias Spranger & Lora Tulchinski – Stunning Creations

July 2nd, 2026

The workshop is already available in our shop — and it might just be the **perfect gift** for yourself or a creative friend.



Photo: Tobias Spranger

Workshop Day Booking

WBA Events in 2026



Hvar Bodypainting Festival 2026

Hvar, Croatia | 13 & 14 June 2026

An open category contest in a stunning Mediterranean location presented by KRYOLAN. Creativity, freedom of style, and summer vibes come together on the island of Hvar.

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Austrian Bodypainting & Make-up Awards

November 14–15, 2026 | Pyramide Vösendorf | Photo+Adventure Fair

The **Austrian Bodypainting & Make-up Awards 2026**, organized by the **World Bodypainting Association (WBA)**, will take place on November 14th and 15th, 2026, at the Pyramide Vösendorf as part of the renowned Photo+Adventure fair.

This unique collaboration creates a spectacular symbiosis between body art and photography. The integration into Photo+Adventure offers an exceptional platform where international artists, photographers, and creative professionals come together to produce powerful and lasting visual impressions.

A special highlight for photographers: a dedicated photo ticket provides exclusive access to defined shooting areas, allowing direct collaboration with models to capture high-quality images of these extraordinary and temporary artworks.

Competition Categories

The event is divided into four categories:

Saturday, November 14

- Bodypainting – the supreme discipline where the entire body becomes a canvas
- Beauty Make-up (Commercial Make-up) – professional aesthetics for advertising and fashion

Sunday, November 15

- Creative Make-up – imagination without limits
- Facepainting – artistic transformation focused on the face

The Austrian Bodypainting & Make-up Awards promise two days of artistic excellence, creative exchange, and inspiring moments at the highest international level.

Further details will be announced soon. Stay tuned and join our growing global WBA community!

[More infos](#)

Relive the highlights of WBF Spain 2026 through our official photo galleries: Thank you to all artists, partners, and supporters for making this event unforgettable.

Your Team from the **World of Bodypainting**

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