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# PRIX ÉMILE HERMÈS INTERNATIONAL DESIGN AWARD • 2016

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## WINNING ENTRIES

The jury gathered on May 4 to examine the anonymous prototypes developed by the twelve finalists for the Prix Émile Hermès 2016. Following their deliberations, the Fondation d'entreprise Hermès is delighted to announce the winners of its fourth international design award:

**1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE** • *VIBRATO* by **JEAN-SIMON ROCH** (France)

**2<sup>nd</sup> PRIZE** • *TALU* by **VICTORIA GRAVELIER** (France)

**Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE ex æquo** • *LUC* by **MATHIEU LANG** (Switzerland)

**Joint 3<sup>rd</sup> PRIZE ex æquo** • *DEMI-JOUR* by **LÉA PEREYRE** and **CLAIRE PONDARD** (Switzerland)

Since its creation in 2007, the Prix Émile Hermès has supported innovation and promoted the talented young designers whose work will reflect and shape our lifestyles into the future. For the fourth edition of the prize, the Fondation d'entreprise Hermès has chosen a theme reflecting a distinctive, universal activity stimulating the senses and intellect alike: **PLAY**.

Following a call for projects in September 2015, the jury selected a shortlist of twelve entries. Each finalist received funding for the production of a prototype (up to 8,000 €), and retains the rights to his or her work. The 12 shortlisted projects may be viewed online at the Prix Émile Hermès website: [www.prixemilehermes.com](http://www.prixemilehermes.com). The prototypes will be on show at the Espace Communes, as part of Paris's D'Days design festival, from May 31 to June 5, 2016.



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The 1<sup>st</sup> prize winner, Jean-Simon Roch, receives 50,000 euros for his project *Vibrato*; the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winner, Victoria Gravelier, receives 25,000 euros for *Talu*. The joint 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winners each receive 7,500 euros.

**THE JURY FOR THE PRIX ÉMILE HERMÈS 2016:**

**matali crasset** *Designer, President of the jury*

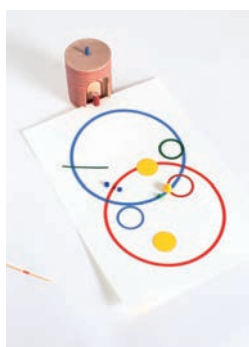
**Pierre-Alexis Dumas** *member of the board of the Fondation d'entreprise Hermès and General Artistic Director, Hermès*

**Chantal Hamaide** *Editorial Director, Intramuros magazine*

**Pascale Mussard** *Vice-President of the Fondation d'entreprise Hermès and Artistic Director, 'petit h', Hermès*

**Stéphane Corréard** *Journalist, Art Critic and Exhibition Curator*

**Thierry Wendling** *Anthropologist, Researcher at France's National Research Centre, the CNRS*



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# VISITOR INFORMATION

## «JOUER / PLAY»

Exhibition design: Antoine Lesur & Marc Venot

## ESPACE COMMINES

17, rue Commines – 75003 Paris

From Tuesday May 31 to Saturday June 4, 2016  
– noon to 8 p.m.

Except Sunday June 5, 2016 – noon to 7 p.m.

Online exhibit from June 2, 2016:

[www.prixemilehermes.com](http://www.prixemilehermes.com)

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