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Since 2009 *Hans Manneby Memorial Fund for Museum Development, Museum horizon,* has awarded an international prize to a person who has contributed in an innovative manner to develop and change the role of museums in contemporary society, local as well as global.

**The Prize Winner for 2016 is Janusz Byszewski**

for his interdisciplinary and unconventional work to establish a role for museums and art for local community activities where issues on today´s society are raised with the living in the area, his innovative workshops and seminars to share experiences with museum professionals and educators in Poland and elsewhere and social work in open public spaces, museums and galleries giving young people and disadvantage groups possibilities to articulate their thoughts and dreams by working together with artists.

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The prize ceremony will take place on

**Thursday, September 22 at 15.00**

**Gothenburg Book Fair**

**Kulturskriftsmontern, B02:41**

***Programme;***

Presentation of Hans Manneby Memorial Fund and the Prize winner 2016. Distribution of the Prize by the President of the Foundation Mr Bertil Falck. The Prize winner Janus Byszewski will present himself and the methods he his developed in collaboration with the visitors of the Book Fair.

*The Foundation Hans Manneby Memorial Fund for Museum Development, Museum horizon,* was initiated in 2008 by Samp intercontinental museum network and Swedish ICOM. The prize has been awarded to Mr Paul Msemwa, Museum and House of Culture, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, Ms Teresa Morales, Uníon de los museos comunitarios, Oaxaca, Mexico, Ms Elizabeth Codova La’O, Museo Sang Bata Sa Negros, the Philippines, Mr Stephen Inglis, Aanischaaukamikw Cree Cultural Institute, Oujé-Bougoumou, Canada,Ms Suad Amiry, Riwaq Centre for Architectural Conservation, Ramallah, Palestine, Ms Giane Vargas Escobar, Museu Comunitário Treze de Maio, Santa Maria, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil and Mr Roeland Paardekooper, Archäologisches Freilichtmuseum Oerlinghausen, Germany. The Board of the Foundation Hans Manneby Memorial Fund for Museum Development has five members: Mr Bertil Falck, president,Gothenburg, Ms Elisabet Olofsson, secretary, Stockholm, Ms Inkyung Chang, South Korea, Ms Elina Nygård, Jokkmokk and Ms Anita Modin, Fiskebackskil.For more information:[www.museumhorizon.se](http://www.museumhorizon.se)or contact secretary Ms Elisabet Olofsson, [info@museumhorizon.se](mailto:info@museumhorizon.se), 070 49 52 913.