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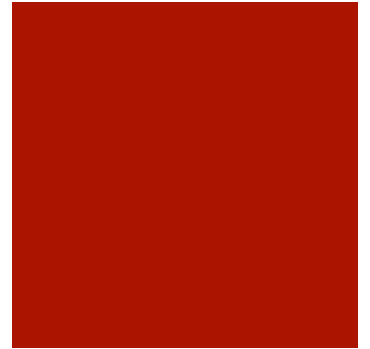
AQUINAS

FOUNDATION

“Where if not in Aquino,,
PAUL VI 14 September 1974

Mission

The **Aquinas Foundation** is a non-for-profit entity promoting a comprehensive social and cultural project.



Vision

Integral humanism. Combining social, economic and cultural development. Combining tradition and innovation.

“We cannot allow economics to be separated from human realities, nor development from the civilization in which it takes place,,

LOUIS-JOSEPH LEBRET





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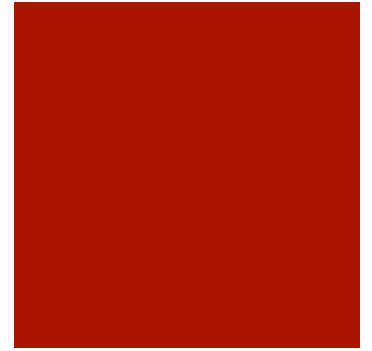
- Gardens of Beauty

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Pillar 1 Culture and Art

“You should choose to enter not immediately into the ocean depths, but rather through small streams, for one should reach more difficult matters by going through the easier ones first,,

THOMAS AQUINAS



Aquinas Prize

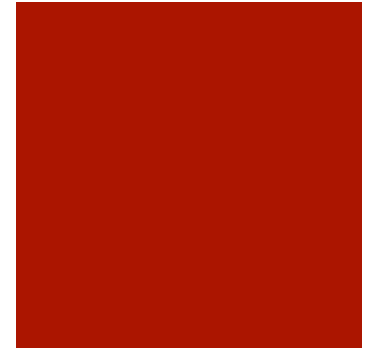
Prize for a prominent personality that stands out in the world of culture or art.

Scientific Committee

Culture: Thomas Bonino, President of the Pontifical Academy of St. Thomas. John Finnis, University of Oxford. Wojciech Giertych, Theologian of the Pontifical Household.

Art: Micol Forti, Director of the Collection of Contemporary Art of the Vatican Museums. Roberto Almagno, Artist.





Awarded Prizes

- 2010 Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi
- 2011 John Finnis, University of Oxford
- 2013 Inos Biffi, University of Lugano
- 2014 Jean-Pierre Torrell, University of Fribourg
- 2015 Pasquale Porro, University of Sorbonne
- 2016 Ruedi Imbach, University of Sorbonne
- 2017 Gilles Emery, University of Fribourg

Veritas et Amor Contest

Contest for young scholars and artists of an age not exceeding 35 years.

Divided into sections Culture and Art, provides for the supply of two awards of Euros 2,000. The first for an original thesis (degree or doctorate) or monograph on the thought of Thomas Aquinas, even in non- strictly philosophical or theological fields. The second for a work of art inspired by the figure or the thought of Thomas Aquinas.



Aquinas Scholars

Grants for graduate and post-graduate scholars.

The project supports talented scholars and their introduction to the best universities.



Publications

Quaderni Aquinati

Series of Studies and Documents

Co-edited by the Vatican Press

Issues

1 Thomas Aquinas and Islam

Preface by **Cardinal Jean-Louis Tauran**

2 The integral humanism of Thomas Aquinas

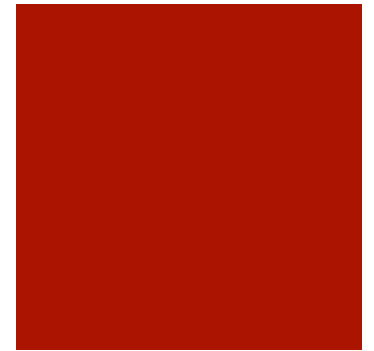
Cardinal Gianfranco Ravasi

3 God, men, world and society in Aquinas

John Finnis

4 The theological meaning of Philosophy and the liberation of reason

Inos Biffi



Thomas Aquinas, a child like us

Publication for children and young people proposing the illustration of 12 episodes of the life of Thomas Aquinas with the language of comics.



Other activities

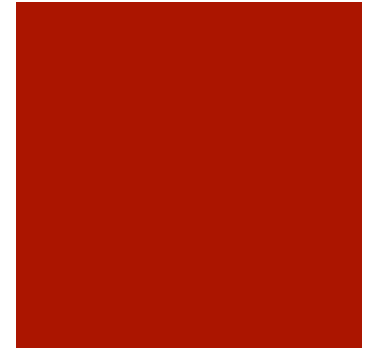
- Conferences and Seminars
- *Studium Aquinatis*: workshops
- *Disputationes*: games of philosophy in the style of medieval disputes
- Library



Pillar 2 Development

*“To live well is to work well,
to show a good activity,,*

THOMAS AQUINAS



Aquinas Lands

Discovery of castles and churches linked to the memory of Thomas Aquinas and his noble family.

Aquino, Montecassino, Roccasecca are still keeping the Aquinas' living memory.



Gardens of Beauty

Grants to young farmers living and working in the ancient lands ruled by the noble Aquinas family.

*“I was told that this town has now become an industrial town ... but please, do not abandon your fields because they are **gardens of beauty**,,*

PAUL VI

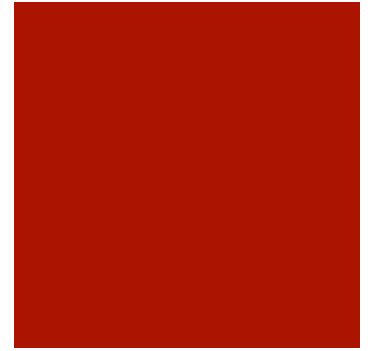


*Philo*Gardens

Guided visits at the Gardens of Beauty.

Thomas Aquinas used to quote plants and flowers in elaborating philosophic arguments.

The *Philo*Gardens are places where culture is promoted through the beauty of the nature and where young farmers experience the deeper meaning of their work.



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