

## **Open Studio #3 | Arnaldo Pomodoro. La Sfera**

Curated by Federico Giani

October 19, 2024 – June 1, 2025

Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro, Via Vigevano 3, Milan

The **Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro** is pleased to announce the third edition of **Open Studio**, an exhibition project dedicated to rediscovering the work and artistic journey of **Arnaldo Pomodoro**. The exhibition, titled “**Arnaldo Pomodoro. La Sfera**”, will be open to the public **from October 19, 2024, to June 1, 2025**, at the artist’s studio at **Via Vigevano 3 in Milan**. It will offer an unprecedented exploration of the most emblematic form of the artist’s entire production: the Sphere.

### **The Sphere: A Magical and Perfect Shape**

This third chapter of **Open Studio** focuses on **the Sphere**, the work that more than any other has determined Arnaldo Pomodoro’s international success, eventually becoming a true “sculptural double” of the artist. The exhibition delves into the origins and evolution of this shape, from the first experiments to the most monumental results, revealing the creative processes and stories behind some of the most renowned Spheres.

### **A Dialogue Between Works and Archival Materials**

Through a **careful selection of sculptures, drawings, photographs, documents, and other archival materials** – most of which have never been seen before – visitors can follow the evolution of the Sphere throughout the different phases of Arnaldo Pomodoro’s career. Starting from the technical and poetic genesis of the work, the exhibition will show how the Sphere has transformed over time, becoming deeply embedded in the visual culture of Italy and abroad.

The exhibition offers a rare opportunity to admire in person the first two Spheres created by Arnaldo Pomodoro in 1963 – the *Sphere n. 1* from the Foundation’s Collection and *Sphere within Sphere* from the National Gallery of Modern and Contemporary Art in Rome – and to discover, through original documents, the stories behind the most famous Spheres spread around the world, including those at the **MoMA in New York**, the **Farne-sina in Rome**, the **Pesaro seafront**, the **Vatican Museums**, **Trinity College** in Dublin, and **The Hakone Open-Air Museum** in Japan.

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## **A Project of (Re)Discovery**

*Open Studio* is a series of exhibitions launched by the Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro with the aim of offering the public new insights into the artist's work and life by investigating less-known themes or moments in his production and presenting the fundamental stages of his journey in a fresh way. After the focus on his spatialist experiments of the 1950s and his minimalist experiments during his American years (1966-1970), this third appointment concentrates on the most representative form of Arnaldo Pomodoro's work: the Sphere, a sculpture that lends itself to infinite interpretations and reinterpretations.

## **Opening Hours**

The exhibition will be open every Saturday and Sunday from October 19, 2024, to June 1, 2025, from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM (last admission half an hour before closing).

## **Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro**

The Fondazione Arnaldo Pomodoro was established on April 7, 1995, by Arnaldo Pomodoro, with the aim of ensuring the proper conservation and dissemination of all his works, as well as promoting research and discussions around the most important themes and figures of contemporary avant-garde. With the commitment to spreading the material and immaterial heritage entrusted to it by its founder, the Foundation has conceived and organized numerous exhibitions, events, and initiatives over the years.

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