

ARCTIC ART WEEK 2020 / Apply now!

The 17th International Sculpture Symposium in Finnish Lapland

From 6th to 12th of August 2020

Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Kiilopääntie 9, 99830 Saariselkä, Finland

Arctic Art Week Symposium has brought international artists together since 2003 in order to create new sculptures or other art works in the area of Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort. There are already more than 180 art works to be found around the Kakslauttanen Resort, inside or outside.

Now, in 2020, we are again looking for fresh proposals and, specially, new participants!

The symposium rules:

Organizer: Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Saariselkä, Finnish Lapland, 250 km north from the Arctic Circle (40 km from Ivalo Airport). Please see: <http://www.kakslauttanen.fi/>

Material provided by organizer: Very old pine tree logs (diameter 35-50 cm, length 200-400 cm), timber wood, steel plates and bars, concrete...also other material wishes can be considered.

Theme: "THE SPIRIT OF THE FOREST"

The art work can be abstract, realistic, an installation or land art (environmental art).

This year we are specially looking for reliefs, mountable to the outside walls of the log houses.

A picture of a log house / log igloo is attached.

Also proposals for a free standing sculpture (outside) can be considered. But it should include a roof upon it or should be of other material than wood (like steel or concrete).

The art work proposal must be new, not previously shown in other occasions, and it should adapt to the harsh winter climate in Lapland. In the winter there could be about one meter snow outside by the log house wall and temperatures up to minus 40 degrees Celsius.

Travelling: The organizer will pay as travel costs a fixed cash amount of **500 €** for artists from Europe and **800 €** for artists from other continents once arrived in symposium. The closest airport is Ivalo (transfer bus to Kakslauttanen takes about 40 min). It is also possible to fly/travel by train to Rovaniemi and catch a bus from there to Kakslauttanen (3,5 hours drive). Persons accompanying the artist must pay their own travel costs.

Accommodation: Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort will provide free accommodation for the artists (2 pax in an apartment or a log house) and free meals (breakfast, soup lunch, dinner) during the whole symposium. Persons accompanying the artist should pay their own accommodation and meals (special price: 70 € /person /day). Bed linen and towels are included.

Tools: The artists are asked to bring their own tools. The organizer has some chain saws and small grinders and a welding machine. Technical and lifting help will be provided.

Art Works: The artist must complete the sculpture/art work during the Arctic Art Week.

The workplace is outside and it is covered by a waterproof sheet.

The art works made during the symposium become property of Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort and will be installed and shown in a public space at the Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort area. The artist should be involved in the installation of his/hers work at the end of the symposium.

Insurance: The artist should have his/her own personal insurance in order to be able to participate in the symposium. The artist works under his/her own responsibility.

Application: Free application should be sent to hanna.kress@kakslauttanen.fi before **15th of March 2020** (deadline). Please include some sketches of the proposal (or pictures of a model), your name, address, nationality, email address, phone number, possible web page, photos of your previous work and a short cv or resumé. However, your email should not exceed 3 MB.

Please follow the information on <https://www.facebook.com/arcticartweek/> where you can also find pictures of the Arctic Art Weeks held previously.

The artist should arrive one day before the symposium begins and could stay until 13th of August. If you wish, it is possible to stay in Kakslauttanen for a longer time; in that case please ask for special accommodation prices for the participating artists.

The symposium also includes some leisure program such as gold panning and a visit to Kakslauttanen Art Gallery, Igloo Tower and Planetarium.

For any further questions please feel free to contact me anytime!

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