

## ICEHOTEL 34 IS NOW OPEN – TAKE A FIRST LOOK INSIDE THIS YEAR'S UNIQUE AND BREATHTAKING ART SUITES



ICEHOTEL 34 Main Hall, photo Asaf Kliger

On December 15th, the doors to this year's winter and art hotel in Jukkasjärvi, ICEHOTEL 34 were opened. The hotel, where every room is a work of art, makes the destination a unique art gallery. Its suites, sculptures, and halls are entirely made of ice and snow, all of which have been created by artists worldwide.

This year's rendition of the hotel was created by 32 artists from 14 different countries all over the world, together with the hotel's construction team and Luca Roncoroni, Creative Director at ICEHOTEL. This year, there are 15 art suites, a main hall, and a ceremony hall which forms the hotel's heart.

- *We are thrilled to have collaborated with artists from 14 countries - some for over two decades, others for the first time. That's what makes ICEHOTEL unique and still exciting after 34 years. ICEHOTEL 34 has expanded with a new layout, presenting multiple art suites, the Ceremony Hall, and our 'Main Hall,' making a grand comeback after a 4-year hiatus, says Luca Roncoroni, Creative Director ICEHOTEL.*

### The creation of ICEHOTEL 34

ICEHOTEL 34 has taken six intense weeks to build, with 500 tonnes of ice and 10 Olympic swimming pools of "snis" – a mix of ice and snow. Working on ICEHOTEL 34 started in the spring when ice

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blocks were harvested from the Torne River to be kept cold in the ice warehouse in Jukkasjärvi. The ice harvested in the spring has been used to make 34 the magical experience it is. Artists from all over the world – Sweden, Poland, Japan, Italy, Belgium, Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Romania, France, Singapore, Belgium, Slovakia, and the UK – were selected by a thorough jury to create unique art suites and halls for guests to experience.

- *This year marks the inauguration of the 34th edition of ICEHOTEL, and once again, our international artists have created something unique and spectacular. The art suites of this year showcase an incredible height of creativity and form an exciting collection of artistic dreams, expressions, and ideas. Guests this year will be captivated by art suites that evoke thoughts of fairy tales, nature and cultural tradition to name a few. I am excited to unveil ICEHOTEL 34 to all our guests from around the world, says Marie Herrey, CEO ICEHOTEL.*

## **ICEHOTEL 365**

ICEHOTEL 34 will be available to experience during the winter season of 2023-2024 before it melts and returns to the Torne River in the spring. What remains is the permanent part of the hotel, called ICEHOTEL 365. ICEHOTEL 365 contains art and deluxe suites, an ice bar, and a movie theatre. Two new suites in ICEHOTEL 365 were completed in November of 2023: *The Breach*, created by Annie Locke Scherer and Tobias Kiefer, and *Mystery on the ICEHOTEL Express*, created by Jonas Johansson, Jordi Claramunt, and Abel Pruñonosa.

## **Jury of ICEHOTEL 34:**

Marjolein Vonk, stylist, NLD

AnnaSofia Mååg, artist, SWE

Linnea Lundkvist, photographer, SWE

Joakim Enmalm, ICEHOTEL Ice and Design Manager, SWE

Luca Roncoroni, ICEHOTEL Creative Director (jury leader), ITA

## **ART AND ARTISTS**

### **ICEHOTEL 34 – 15 ART SUITES, 1 CEREMONY HALL, 1 MAIN HALL**

#### **OH MY GODDESS**

Ulrika Tallving – Sweden

Giovanna Martinez – Italy

#### **Torne River Anomaly**

Jack Prescott – United Kingdom

Mathew Foster – United Kingdom

#### **INCEPTION**

Nicolas Triboulot – France

Karl Gilles - France

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**Morning Song**

Natsuki Saito – Japan

Shingo Saito – Japan

**Katt & Råtta**

Tjåsa Gusfors – Sweden

Hanneke Supply – Belgium

**Eternal Flow**

Maxime van Besien – Belgium

**Nebula's Child**

Edmund Chan – Singapore

TaiTien Tan – Singapore

**Siella**

Laila Kolostyak – Norway

Elisabeth Kristensen – Norway

**Beaver Lodge**

Dawn Detarando – Canada

Brian McArthur – Canada

**Obscura**

Lukas Petko – Slovakia

**Don't Get Up**

Wilfred Stijger – Netherlands

Edith van de Wetering – Netherlands

**Minus 10**

Luc Voisin – France

Mathieu Brison – France

**DREAM WITH A THORN**

Monica Popescu – Romania

Emmylou Varon – Philippines/Sweden

**Light Collectors**

Lisa Lindqvist – United Kingdom

Kate Munro – United Kingdom

**SEA INSIDE**

Kristina Möckel - Germany

Sebastian Scheller – Germany

**LattICE – Main Hall**

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Kendo Hamaguchi – Japan  
Taku Ohuchi – Japan

**Slava - Ceremony Hall**

Tomasz Czajkowski – Poland  
Grzegorz Olczak – Poland

**ICEHOTEL 365 – New deluxe suites**

**THE BREACH**

Annie Locke Scherer – USA  
Tobias Kiefer – Germany

**MYSTERY ON THE ICEHOTEL EXPRESS**

Jonas Johansson – Sweden  
Jordi Claramunt – Spain  
Abel Pruñonosa – Spain

**Facts about Icehotel 34**

- 32 artists from 14 different countries
- 500 tonnes of ice were used to build ICEHOTEL 34
- 10 Olympic swimming pools of "snis" – a mix of ice and snow
- ICEHOTEL 34 has a constant inner temperature of -5 degrees Celsius
- The hotel took about 6 weeks to build
- A total of around 90 people were part of building this year's hotel.
- In the open competition, there were 157 applicant artists who submitted contributions to be involved in designing and building this year's edition of ICEHOTEL

**New for this year ICEHOTEL:**

- The Main Hall is back after a few years' absence. The main hall this year is designed by Japanese artists Kendo Hamaguchi and Taku Ohuchi
- More art suites than previously. This year Icehotel have 15 instead of the usual 12
- Two new suites in ICEHOTEL 365 were completed in November of 2023.

**Brief fact about ICEHOTEL**

- 44 warm hotel rooms
- 28 warm chalets
- 18 year-round open art & deluxe suites of ice (-5 degrees Celsius/ 23 Fahrenheit)
- 35 Winter Open Art Suites & Ice Rooms (-5 degrees Celsius/23 Fahrenheit)
- 1 accessibility adapted Art Suite made of ice (-5 degrees Celsius/23 Fahrenheit)
- 3 Conference rooms
- 1 ceremony hall made of ice and snow in the winter hotel (mid-Dec - mid-April)

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- 1 movie theater made of ice and snow for 29 guests, open all year round
- 1 exhibition room made of ice and snow
- 1 Icebar
- 3 restaurants
- 4 wilderness Camps

**Press images and movie of ICEHOTEL 34:**

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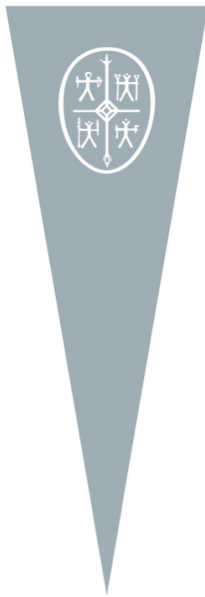
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