

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Institute for Art and Olfaction celebrates the finalists of the 9<sup>th</sup> Art and Olfaction Awards at a special announcement at Esxence in Milan.

March 31, 2023, Milan - **The Institute for Art and Olfaction** is proud to announce the finalists for **the 9<sup>th</sup> Art and Olfaction Awards**. Launched in 2014, the Art and Olfaction Awards have become a highly distinguished recognition of excellence in the field of independent perfumery. This event aims to promote public interest and awareness of the latest developments in perfume, and recognizes outstanding creators in the Independent, Artisan, and Experimental perfume categories. The awards acknowledge a diverse range of styles and techniques, honoring creators from various backgrounds and perspectives.

The Art and Olfaction Awards' Golden Pear statuette is presented annually to eight deserving recipients at events held in different cities across the globe. Through this recognition, the organization has helped to foster innovation and creativity in the art of perfumery, while inspiring a new generation of independent perfumers. Cemented by its the three juried categories (artisan category, independent category, and the Sadakichi Award for Experimental Work with Scent), awards are also given in three discretionary categories: The Contribution to Scent Culture Award, The Septimus Piesse Award for Exceptional Vison, and the Aftel Award for Handmade Perfume.

The announcement of the winners will take place in our annual public ceremony. This year we return to Los Angeles, hosting the awards at the stunning art deco Cicada Club on May 11, 2023 during **SCENT WEEK Los Angeles**.

As with past years, our panel of esteemed judges was made up of important and objective voices from the perfume and art worlds. This year's jury included Ashley Eden Kessler, Jeffrey Paul, Julianne Lee, Maxwell Williams, Rubia Chaudri, Sarah Horowitz-Thran, Spyros Drosopoulos, Chi Wai Tang, Dana El Masri, Daniel Krasofski, Ida Meister, John Biebel, Lakenda Wallace, and Minetta Rogers. Together, these judges blindly selected the finalists and the winners in the artisan and independent categories. The Sadakichi Award was juried by Darin Klein, Kaya Sorhaindo, Klara Ravat, and Simon Niedenthal. The Aftel Award

for Handmade Perfume was selected in a separate blind judging process by Jean Godfrey June, Jessica Matlin, and Mandy Aftel.

It gives us great pleasure to announce the finalists for the 9th awards. Please join us in congratulating these outstanding creators.



## THE FINALISTS FOR THE NINTH ART AND OLFACTION AWARDS

#### INDEPENDENT CATEGORY FINALISTS

Animal Café, by ExtraVirgo

Perfumer: Michele Marin for ExtraVirgo, Italy Creative Director: HH. Prince Alex of Limbin

extravirgo.com

Flamingo, by Blackcliff

Perfumer: Kyle Mott Kannenberg for Blackcliff, Barbados

Creative Director: Tomilson Bynoe

blackcliff.com

Fuchsrot Men, by Bodé Studios

Perfumer: Andreas Wilhelm for Bodé Studios, Switzerland

Creative Director: Lino Bottani, Nicola Deflorin

bode-studios.ch

Hora de la Verdad, Sombra, by Senyokô Perfumer: Euan McCall for Senyokô, France

Creative Directors: Joseph and Eglantine Berthion

senyoko.fr

lerofante, by Parfums Quartana

Perfumer: Luca Maffei for Parfums Quartana, USA

Creative Director: Joseph Quartana

six-scents.com

Los Angeles, by de Kloka X Death & Co

Perfumer: Jackie Brenner for de Kloka X Death & Co, USA

Creative Directors: David Kaplan and Nick Fauchald

deathandcompanymarket.com

dekloka.com

Mansa, by Pernoire

Perfumer: Andreas Wilhelm for Pernoire, Switzerland Creative Directors: Robin Dünner and Nico Mannino

pernoire.com

Room No., by Perfumehead

Perfumer: Constance Georges-Picot for Perfumehead, USA

Creative Director: Daniel Patrick Giles

perfumehead.com

Tri-Goddess, by Sage Goddess

Perfumer: Alexandra Bisson for Sage Goddess, USA

Creative Director: Athena Perrakis

sagegoddess.com

Wind Blows, by QIUHAO

Perfumer: Yili Olfactory Art for QIUHAO, China

Creative Director: Qiu Hao & Huang Jun

qiuhaoqiuhao.com

# **ARTISAN CATEGORY FINALISTS**

Alter Oud, by d.grayi Perfumer: James Miju, USA v1.studio/collections/dgrayi

Encore du Temps, by Meo Fusciuni Perfumer: Giuseppe Imprezzabile, Italy

meofusciuni.com

Filament, by nosey people society Perfumer: Breanne Patterson, USA

noseypeoplesociety.com

Garden Heaux, by SAMAR

Perfumer: Na-Moya Lawrence, USA

samarpitcrew.com

La Tacita De Cafe, Extrait, by Day Three Fragrances

Perfumer: Michael Paul, USA daythreefragrances.com

Osmanthus Floral, by Rebel Perfume / Neshama Perfume Perfumer: Simon Shaer, UK

etsy.com/shop/RebelPerfume

Solario, by OSMOFOLIA Perfumer: Sab Finn, USA osmofolia.com

Tobacco Smeraldo, by Miguel Matos Perfumer: Miguel Matos, Portugal

Tatami Dreams, by Tavie Belle Perfumer: Lavinia Cheng, China taviebelle.wordpress.com/our-scents/

Voices, by House of Mammoth Perfumer: Benjamin Esposito, USA houseofmammoth.com

# SADAKICHI AWARD FINALISTS

*Aerosculpture*, by Maki Ueda Perfumer: Maki Ueda, Japan

ueda.nl

Aquanauts, by Pompe Hedengren Perfumer: Karolina Stockhaus, Sweden

aquanauts.se

Lágrimas, Terra e Crisântemo, by Karola Braga Perfumer: Leandro Petit (Givaudan), Brasil karolabraga.com

NEGR-OID, by Rhea Dillon Perfumer: Rhea Dillon, UK dillonrhea.com

Salt Flowers, by Peter de Cupere, Perfumer: Peter de Cupere, Belgium peterdecupere.net

Scent Clock / The Koepenicker, by Patrick Palcic Perfumer: Patrick Palcic Studio, Germany patrickpalcic.com

#### **DISCRETIONARY AWARDS**

## <u>AFTEL AWARD FOR HANDMADE PERFUME</u>

This award will be given to one outstanding small batch perfume that was 100% perfumer-created, in-house, with no use of outsourced compounding or expansion at any stage of the process.

## CONTRIBUTION TO SCENT CULTURE AWARD

This award will be given to one outstanding person who made significant contributions to global public awareness of artisan, independent and experimental practices with scent in 2019.

## SEPTIMUS PIESSE VISIONARY AWARD

This award is given to an outstanding person or group showing proof of exceptional vision with regards to how scent is used, developed, or imagined.

Winners in all categories will be announced at the 9th annual Art and Olfaction Awards on May 11, 2023.

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Because the Art and Olfaction Awards are so competitive, many excellent projects don't make the finals. We would like to honor the runners up in each category.

# In the artisan category:

American Pharaoh by Folkwinds (USA) Enlightenment by Christèle Jacquemin (France) Lunar Dust by Mabelle O'rama (England) No. 44 by COGNOSCENTI (USA) Red Skies by Maher Olfactive

## In the independent category:

Ceremony by In Fieri (USA)
Corpalium by Marlou (France)
Gold Spot by Sarah Baker (England)
Tong Ren by Elementals (Germany)
White Whale by Masque Milano (Italy)

**The Art and Olfaction Awards** was founded in 2013 as an independent awards mechanism designed to celebrate innovation and excellence in artisan and independent perfume, and experimentation work with scent. The Art and Olfaction Awards are a program of The Institute for Art and Olfaction.

**The Institute for Art and Olfaction** is a 501(c)3 non-profit based in Los Angeles, CA. The Institute for Art and Olfaction advances public and artistic engagement with scent. We do this by initiating and supporting arts projects that utilize the medium of scent, by providing accessible and affordable education in our experimental laboratory as well as in partnership with institutions and community groups, and by celebrating excellence in independent and artisan perfumery through our yearly award mechanism, The Art and Olfaction Awards. Through these efforts, we extend the world of scent beyond its traditional boundaries of appreciation and use.

#### **MORE INFORMATION:**

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