

# THE INTERNATIONAL SNOW SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM

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**Festival du Voyageur**



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Hello!

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to Winnipeg to participate in our **International Snow Sculpture Symposium (February 14 - 19, 2018)** during the 49<sup>th</sup> edition of Festival du Voyageur. This year, Western Canada's largest winter festival will be taking place from February 16 - 25, 2018.

The Festival du Voyageur International Snow Sculpture Symposium gives sculptors from around the world an opportunity to express themselves through this medium in a spirit of mutual support and cooperation. Please note that this is not a competition or contest.

We are currently looking for potential teams to participate in the 2017 International Snow Sculpture Symposium. Should you be interested, we request that you send us a proposed project including an image, description and team members' information before **October 20, 2017**. Confirmation letters will be sent to the selected teams by **October 27, 2017**. Your application may be submitted either by fax, e-mail, mail or in person.

Please send us an image of your proposed project as well as a resume for your team members (one resume per team) indicating past snow sculpting experiences. Teams will be limited to 3 people. Please note that the snow blocks provided will be 3m x 3.7m x 3.7m.

We will be able to provide some financial assistance to help with transportation to Winnipeg. Local transportation, meals and lodging will be provided. Sculptors will be lodged (1 hotel room per team for a maximum of 6 nights) at the Fairmont Winnipeg located in downtown Winnipeg just a short distance from the Symposium site.

Should you require any additional information, feel free to contact us at (204) 237-7692 and/or by e-mail: **sculptures@heho.ca**

Hope to see you in 2018!

**Christel Lanthier**

International Snow Sculpture Symposium 2018  
Festival du Voyageur Inc.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Date and Location of the Symposium

The International Snow Sculpture Symposium will take place **February 14 to 19, 2018** in Voyageur Park in Saint-Boniface, Manitoba, Canada during the Festival du Voyageur, Western Canada's largest winter festival.

### Symposium Theme

There is no theme imposed for the snow sculpture symposium. You may entertain any ideas that you have been anxious to create in a large format. This is an opportunity to explore a marriage of your creative ideas and the wonderful medium of snow.

### Selection Criteria

The Symposium is open to all those who have experience in snow sculpting and/or sculpture. The teams will be selected according to the following criteria:

- Team members' experience in sculpture
- The originality and visual interest of the chosen subject
- Previous experience in ephemeral materials
- The physical and artistic qualities of the proposed sculpture

### Registration Method

There are no registration fees. Each team must complete the following:

- A registration form filled and completed with all the pertinent information
- A precise drawing of the sculpture and a description of the concept. (Photos of a scale model will also serve the purpose)
- Photos of previous sculptures (snow or other medium) created by the members of the team
- A description of the experience of the team members

The registration form must be completed and sent to the Festival du Voyageur inc. office by **October 20, 2017**.

### Number of Participants per Team

Each team can have a maximum of three (3) participants but a minimum of two (2) must reside or be native to the country they represent. We recommend that each team have a minimum of two (2) members represented by a captain and sculptors.

## **Block Dimensions**

The dimensions of each block are 3 m x 3.7 m x 3.7 m (10' x 12' x 12'). All sides of the block should be sculpted, as visitors will have access to all sides of the sculpture. All blocks are formed with natural snow.

## **Equipment and Services Provided by Festival du Voyageur**

The sculptors must provide most of their sculpting tools. The Festival du Voyageur will provide a heated rest shelter, toilets on site and a basic toolkit for each team. We will also make available ladders, shovels and other snow moving equipment. **Electric and mechanical tools are prohibited.** Sculptors should bring their own finishing tools. Water and snow are the only materials allowed in the construction of the sculpture. Ice will be permitted but not provided. No other support materials will be permitted.

## **Clothing**

Winter clothing will not be provided by the organization. All sculptors are responsible for adequate winter clothing for the conditions including outerwear (jackets and pants) boots, mitts and toques.

## **Symposium Work Schedule**

A work schedule will be created in order to maximize the hours spent creating the sculpture during the four (4) days of the symposium. However, we ask all sculptors to respect the times for all meals and the work schedule will remain flexible allowing all to complete their sculpture.

## **Expenses Covered by the Festival du Voyageur**

We will be able to provide some financial assistance to help with transportation to Winnipeg. Local transportation, meals and lodging will be provided. Sculptors will be lodged (1 hotel room per team for a maximum of 5 nights) at the Fairmont Winnipeg located in downtown Winnipeg just a short distance from the Symposium site. *The Festival du Voyageur will not be responsible for personal expenses. The hotel will ask for a credit card once registered for such expenses.*

If teams are comprised of additional members, travel cost will have to be paid by the individuals. Local transport between the airport, hotel and Voyageur Park will be provided and coordinated later upon arrival.

*\*The Symposium sponsors are subject to the renewal of their agreements and may change at any time without notice.*

## REGISTRATION FORM

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Please fill out the registration form with all the information, the descriptions, the drawings and send them all by **October 20, 2017**. Any registration form deemed incomplete may risk not being selected for the Symposium in 2018.

***Please note: all the names of the participants must be identical to the names on their passports.***

**TEAM CAPTAIN FROM:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name :	Date of Birth :
Mailing Address :	
City :	Postal Code :
Country :	
Telephone (home) :	Telephone (work) :
Fax :	E-mail :
Spoken Language(s) :	
Correspondence Language : English	French
Allergies and Special Diet :	

### SECOND MEMBER

Name :	Date of Birth :
Mailing Address :	
City :	Postal Code :
Country :	
Telephone (home) :	Telephone (work) :
Fax :	E-mail :
Spoken Language(s) :	
Correspondence Language : English	French
Allergies and Special Diet :	



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**THIRD MEMBER**

Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth : \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address : \_\_\_\_\_

City : \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code : \_\_\_\_\_

Country : \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (home) : \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (work) : \_\_\_\_\_

Fax : \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail : \_\_\_\_\_

Spoken Language(s) : \_\_\_\_\_

Correspondence Language : English \_\_\_\_\_ French \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies and Special Diet : \_\_\_\_\_



## **PREVIOUS SCULPTING EXPERIENCE (INCLUDING SNOW)**

Please include the biographies of the team members experience and a portfolio (photos, articles, etc...) of previously realized sculptures.

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## **TITLE AND DESCRIPTION OF YOUR TEAMS SCULPTURE**

Please title your sculpture and write a brief description and justification of your proposal.

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Description :

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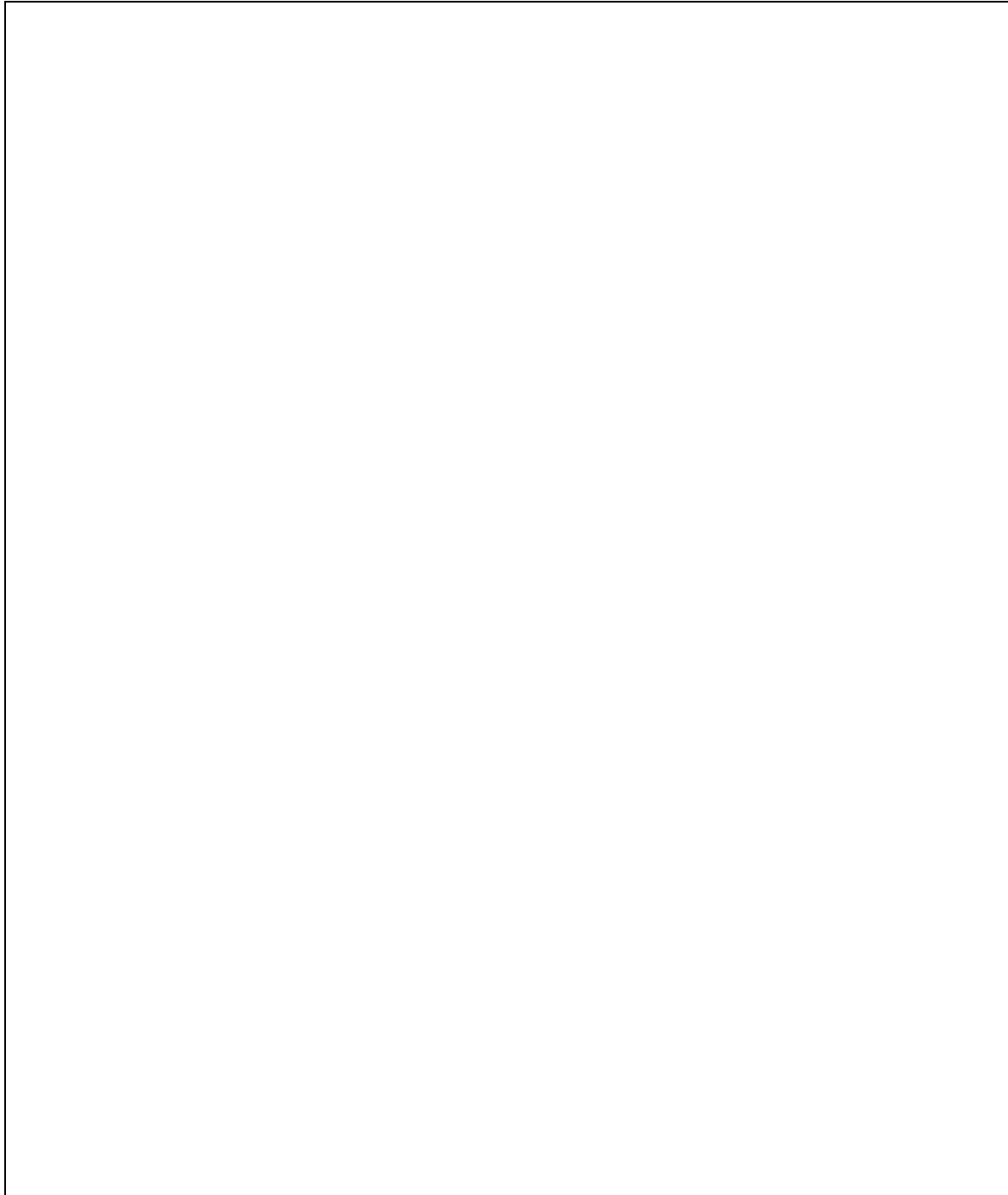
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## DRAWINGS OF YOUR SCULPTURE

Please submit drawings of several angles of your sculpture including; front view, back view and  $\frac{3}{4}$  view. Please remember the dimensions of the blocs are 3 m x 3.7 m x 3.7 m (10' x 12' x 12') and all blocs are constructed **horizontally** and not vertically.



\*The important dates and information is on the following page.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Application deadline – **October 20, 2017.**
- Confirmation with participating teams deadline– **October 27, 2017.**
- Arrivals in Winnipeg – **February 14, 2018.**
- The International Snow Sculpting Symposium – **February 14-19, 2018.**
- Symposium banquet – **February 18, 2018.**
- Departures from Winnipeg – **February 20, 2018.**
- Festival du Voyageur – **February 16-25, 2018.**

Please send your completed registration form with portfolios and drawings to the following addresses:

**Festival du Voyageur inc.  
233 Provencher Boulevard  
Winnipeg (Manitoba) Canada  
R2H 0G4  
Attention: Christel Lanthier**

You may also send your documents by fax to **(204) 233-7576** or by e-mail to **sculptures@heho.ca**

We thank you for your submissions to our Symposium. Please note only the selected teams will receive a letter of confirmation. Good luck and hope to see you soon!

Christel