

BALTIC SNOW CALL



INTERNATIONAL SNOW
SCULPTING CONTEST

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**THE INTERNATIONAL SNOW SCULPTING CONTEST BALTIC SNOW CALL IS APPROACHING!
A FESTIVAL OF ART AND SNOW IS CELEBRATED NEXT WEEK IN NALLIKARI 21.-25.2.2018**

TOP PROFESSIONAL SNOW SCULPTORS IN NALLIKARI

BALTIC SNOW CALL 2018 is a snow sculpting contest for the Baltic countries and gathers top sculptors to battle for gold and glory in Finland and specifically in Oulu Nallikari 21.-25.2.2018. The contest is held as an invite-only contest and is a one-of-a-kind international snow sculpting contest held in Finland. The contest is also a part of the official event calendar of AISNG (The International Association of Snow and Ice Sculpture).

The invited teams are arriving from Finland, Sweden, Norway, Germany, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Russia. A world-renowned team from China was invited instead of the Danish team. All of the teams represent the best of their respective countries and are renowned in various international snow sculpting events all around the worlds. **Now is the time to enjoy excellent snow sculpting art in Nallikari!**

RENOWNED SNOW SCULPTORS FACE OFF AT BALTIC SNOW CALL

The **art director of the contest is Anna Koivukangas**. Her team, Tuulispäät Snow Sculpting Team won the Finnish championship this year and are representing Finland in the Sapporo Snow Festival of 2019. The **head of the contest, Janne Andberg** will arrive to Baltic Snow Call almost directly from Sapporo, where he was representing Finland alongside his team Ragnarök SST. Ragnarök placed fourth in the Snow

Sculpting Competition Sapporo Snow Festival 2018 event. The chairman of the contest's judges is the acclaimed chairman of the international association of snow and ice sculpture **Juhani Lillberg**. The judges also include **Antti Tenetz**, an artistic mastermind and the provincial art laureate for bio art. One of the shining stars of the judges is Swedish **Olympic medalist Ricky Sandberg**, who has won **the gold medal in snow sculpting in the Albertville Olympic Arts Festival in 1992**. He has won awards in many significant international competitions around the world and is without a doubt a preeminent figure in the snow sculpting community.

A CELEBRATION OF LIGHT AND SNOW IN THE WINTRY SCULPTURE PARK

After the Saturday's contest, the area is transformed into a unique wintry art exhibit. The enchanting **Winter Art Park** is illuminated in cooperation with the **Lumo Light Festival**. Winter Art Park is illuminated Saturday evening 21:30-24:00 and Sunday evening 18:00-21:00

The award ceremony for Baltic Snow Call is held Sunday 13:00 in the competition area. Three best teams are awarded. An all-time favorite air guitar star **Nordic Thunder** will perform during the ceremony. Entrance to the events is free.

Additional pictures and event schedule: <http://www.snowcall.fi/media-press>

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