We are happy to invite you to participate in the International Symposium of Garden-park Ceramic Sculptures!

For the third consecutive year, Lopota Lake Resort & Spa and the Georgian ceramics studio "White Studio" are jointly hosting the renowned international symposium of ceramic sculptures known as "Bird of Paradise".

In 2022, the inaugural international Ceramic Park Sculpture Symposium took place at Lopota Lake Resort & Spa in collaboration with the Georgian Ceramic Studio "WHITE Studio."

Following the success of the first event, the symposium has evolved into an annual tradition. The 2023 edition witnessed an expansion in both scope and scale, spanning two weeks. Artists from Georgia and around the world, representing nine different countries, converged in the picturesque setting of Kakheti to craft new ceramic masterpieces.

These creations were sculpted and painted live, providing an immersive experience for the attending guests. The resulting works now adorn the landscape at Lopota.

The symposium also featured artists' workshops and master classes, enriching the experience for guests. As we approach May 2024, Lopota is poised to once again host this artistic gathering, bringing together talented artists from diverse corners of the world.

The cornerstone of the symposium is our ultimate wish to establish the first outdoor museum in Georgia and through gathering talented people, contribute to various art fields' further development. The sculptures made under the Caucasus mountains, surrounded by deep forests and in the welcoming atmosphere of Lopota, will be seen and appreciated by people from all around the world.

The symposium is based on a passionate idea that was born many years ago. The wish decorate Lopota ceramic sculptures belonged Goga with to Maisuradze the resort's late founder. The symposium will take place annually give birth to and magnificent creations in his memory.

Lopota Lake Resort & Spa, known for its handcrafted hospitality, embarked on a journey to enhance the region's touristic dimension in 2008 with a single modest cottage. Today, from 231 rooms to various recreational facilities, to gyms and spas and restaurants, adventure activities like horse riding, cycling and fishing, it's a true microcosm of its kind.

Come to the cradle of wine and Join the International Symposium of Garden-park Ceramic Sculptures from May 15 to spend 14 days in the creative flourishment!

Please find more info about the International Symposium of Garden-park Ceramic Sculptures below:

1- Sending the draft projects/preliminary sketch of your works

<u>Deadline: March 5, 2024</u> <u>Email: host@lopotaresort.com</u>

1-Resumes (CVs)

Please send us your CV/resume with a profile picture (high resolution) and short information of your latest works with photos.

Email: host@lopotaresort.com

Deadline: MARCH 5, 2024

Please note that artists without preliminary sketch confirmation will not be allowed to participate

in the symposium.

2-Travel/Health Insurance

Please don't forget to have your travel/health insurance for the dates you are traveling.

3- Works for the Exhibition

Since we are organizing our third symposium, we would like you to bring one or two of your works with you to Lopota Lake Resort & Spa for donation.

4-Symposium Final Works

All artists have to finish their works before leaving the symposium.

>The works made during the Symposium will be placed on the concrete postaments around the Lopota Lake area. Please keep in mind that the works must be around 100-180 cm

>There is no theme, the artistic aesthetics of the works will be chosen by the Host and Sponsors

Things artists need to take into account:

Look into some useful technical info that will be helpful to you while creating your draft projects:

A- Main Material used in our Symposium:

Ceramic Symposium consists of works of art with <u>ceramic</u> works.

The Symposium's main material is **stoneware** (or Chamotte) which has 1100-1150 degrees and fired color is.

The materials will be provided by Sponsors.

Please take your favorite tools with you.

B- Special Material Requirements:

If there are special requirements, the symposium organization team tries to meet these requirements as possible. (*However, please give details, such as dimensions, weight, color, quantity etc. of the required special materials.*)

C- Kilns Specifications:

There are three 1150-degrees gas kilns with 1m, 0,8 volumes for firing the works, 1 raku kiln

What we offer:

1-Transportation

We provide you with the transfer from/to the airport. Flight Tickets is the artist's responsibility. Please send us the ticket to arrange the car for transfers.

(if you have a special requirement on dates, please advise us soon.)

The symposium area is approximately 2,5-3 hours drive from the Airport.

Arriving at Lopota: 15 MAY

Departure To Tbilisi: 29 MAY

2-Accommodation

A shared double room at Lopota Lake Resort & Spa for the whole duration of the symposium

3-Food

Full Board.

4.-Excursions in the Kakheti region

Sightseeing; visiting museums, trying traditional Kakhetian cuisine.

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We exclusively offer accommodation at Lopota Lake Resort & Spa in Kakheti throughout the symposium duration. If participants wish to stay in Tbilisi, they will be responsible for covering the associated expenses personally.

You can see the details of the hotel via the link below.

https://lopotaresort.com/

For any queries in regard to the International Symposium of Garden-park Ceramic Sculptures, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards, Lopota Lake Resort & Spa

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