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The Art and Olfaction Awards are proud to present the finalists for the 7th annual awards.

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LOS ANGELES – Since the program's inception in 2014 by **The Institute for Art and Olfaction, The Art and Olfaction Awards** have become a prestigious celebration of excellence in independent perfumery. Designed to raise public interest and awareness around new developments in perfume, the Art and Olfaction Awards' **Golden Pear** statuette is handed out to eight outstanding creators in the categories of independent, artisan, and experimental perfume, at its yearly awards events in cities around the world.

The Art and Olfaction Awards honors excellent work being done in a broad range of styles. 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 in September 2020. Each winner will receive the *Golden Pear*, which continues to cement its status as an important achievement in the perfume world.

As with past years, our panel of esteemed judges includes luminaries from the perfume and art worlds. This year's jury included Anahita Mekanik, Andreas Wilhelm, Ashley Eden Kessler, Bibiana Prival, Dana El Masri, Dawn Spencer Hurwitz, Eddie Bulliqi, Frederic Jacques, Mark Behnke, Marta Siembab, Sherri Sebastian, Yosh Han. Together, these judges blindly selected the finalists and the winners in the artisan and independent categories. *The Sadakichi Award* was juried by Anna Gerber, Darin Klein, Deji Bryce Olukotun, Peter de Cupere, and Simon Niedenthal. *The Aftel Award for Handmade Perfume* was selected in a separate blind judging process by Mandy Aftel, Jana Blankenship, and Jane Larkworthy.



It gives us great pleasure to announce the finalists for the 7th annual awards. Please join us in congratulating these outstanding creators.

THE FINALISTS FOR THE SEVENTH ANNUAL ART AND OLFACTION AWARDS

INDEPENDENT CATEGORY FINALISTS

Due to several ties, there are 12 finalists in the independent category.

20/20, by J. F. Schwarzlose Berlin

Perfumer: Veronique Nyberg (Mane) for J. F. Schwarzlose Berlin, Germany

www.schwarzloseberlin.com

Accento Overdose, by Xerjoff

Perfumer: Christian Carbonnel (C de la Niche) for Xerjoff, Italy

www.xerjoff.com

Amyi VIII, by Amyi

Perfumer: Samuel Moraes (Citratus Symrise) for Amyi, Brazil

www.amyi.co

Bee, by Zoologist

Perfumer: Cristiano Canali (Argeville) for Zoologist, Canada

www.zoologistperfumes.com

Behique, by Renier Perfumes

Perfumer: Christian Carbonnel (C de la Niche) for Renier Perfumes, Czech

Republic/Cuba

www.renierperfumes.com

Ganymede, by Marc-Antoine Barrois

Perfumer: Quentin Bisch (Givaudan) for Marc-Antoine Barrois, France

ww.marcantoinebarrois.com

Love Kills, by MASQUE Milano

Perfumer: Caroline Dumur (IFF) for MASQUE Milano, Italy

www.masquemilano.com



Moire, by Les Nez Parfums d'Auteurs Perfumer: LD Garnier (Independent) for Les Nez, Switzerland www.lesnez.com

November 2019, by Scent Trunk Perfumer: Tyler Monk (Luvandus) for Scent Trunk, USA www.scenttrunk.com

Post_Hume, by Son Venïn Perfumer: Rosine Courage (Fragworld/Sozio) for Son Venïn, Norway www.sonvenin.com

Squid, by Zoologist Perfumer: Celine Barel (IFF) for Zoologist, Canada www.zoologistperfumes.com

Young Hearts, by Bruno Acampora Profumi Perfumer: Miguel Matos (C de la Niche) for Bruno Acampora, Italy www.brunoacampora.com

ARTISAN CATEGORY FINALISTS

Due to several ties, there are 13 finalists in the artisan category.

Absinthe-Minded, by Anka Kuş Parfüm Perfumer: Ali Erkekli, Australia www.instagram.com/ankakusparfum

Bonsai, by House of Matriarch Perfumer: Christi Meshell, USA www.matriarch.biz

Eve, by St. Clair Scents Perfumer: Diane St. Clair, USA www.stclairscents.com

Fall, by Criminal Elements Perfumer: Corey Newcombe, Australia www.criminalelements.net



Impermanence, by Christèle Jacquemin Perfumer: Christèle Jacquemin, France www.christelejacquemin.com

Keman, by DI SER Perfumers: Rajesh Balkrishnan and Yasuyuki Shinohara, Japan www.diser-parfum.com

Nepenthe, by En Voyage Perfumes Perfumer: Shelley Waddington, USA www.envoyageperfumes.com

Nimbis, by Parallax Olfactory Perfumer: Linda Sivrican, USA www.parallaxolfactory.com

OBO #302, by OK Fine Fragrances Perfumer: Steven DeMercado, USA www.okfinefragrances.com

Perfumista, by Anatole Lebreton Perfumer: Anatole Lebreton, France www.anatolelebreton.com

Rasa, by Pomare's Stolen Perfume Perfumer: Rachel Binder, USA www.pomaresstolenperfume.com

Weinstrasse, by Chatillon Lux Perfumer: Shawn Maher, USA www.chatillonlux.com

Wild Child, by CognoScenti Perfumer: Dannielle Sergent, USA www.cogno-scenti.com



SADAKICHI AWARD FINALISTS

Cerca (Closer), by Pablo Eduardo Schanton and Alejandro Ros Perfumer: Various (IFF), Argentina alejandroros.com.ar/artes/

Jónsi (Hvítblinda / Í blóma / Svartalda), by Jónsi Birgisson Perfumer: Jónsi Birgisson, Iceland/USA www.jonsi.com

Notes, by Lauren Jetty Perfumer: Renske van Vroonhoven (Attic Lab), The Netherlands/UK www.laurenjetty.net

Olfactory Labyrinth V. 5: Invisible Footprints, by Maki Ueda Perfumer: Maki Ueda, Japan www.ueda.nl

Tree VR, by Milica Zec and Winslow Turner Porter III Perfumer: Laurent Le Guernec (IFF) www.treeofficial.com

DISCRETIONARY AWARDS

AFTEL AWARD FOR HANDMADE PERFUME

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

New to the awards this year, this award will be given to an outstanding person showing proof of exceptional vision with regards to how scent is used, developed, or imagined.

Winners in all categories will be announced at the 7th annual Art and Olfaction Awards in September 2020.

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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.

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