

International Glass Symposium RONA 2014

Dates: 23 - 28 June 2014

Place: RONA a.s., Schreiberova 365, Lednické Rovne, Slovakia

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At present Glassworks Rona a.s. belongs to the world important producers of quality drinking glassware. During more than 120 years history of its existence the factory aims to remain at the top of the technological development in the glassmaking industry.

From the recent innovations to mention just the few is the fact, that Rona factory, as the first maker in the world, started in the year 2001 automatic production of stemware with the pulled stem, using the so called double blowing technology. For the quality and aesthetic design look of its products the factory received many international rewards. In the recent years these were the awards from the Ambiente in Frankfurt . In the year 2006 the award „ Desing Plus“ and in the year 2008 the award „FORM“ . Currently the factory has some 1270 employees and disposable capacity of 7 machine made lines, hand made production and decorated techniques. Yearly´ s production capacity represents some 65 million pieces.

Tradition of the international glass symposiums dates back to the year 1992. Since the beginning they are related with Rona factory, where every second year meet the Slovak and foreign artists to create, with the help of the skilled glassmakers, their pieces of art works.

This year the symposium will host total 14 artists and among the local Slovak participants, there will be glass artists from Mexiko, Denmark, Belarus, Poland Lithuania, England, Czech Republic.

The programe of the symposium includes various promotional and also professional glass field events.

Part of the Symposium will include lectures´ afternoon rounds of discussion of the renown Slovak and foreign art glass theoretians.



Week's Symposium will culminate on Saturday June 28, when the results of the Symposium and common Works of the participants „Glassmakers Tree“ are going to be presented in the exteriors of the late baroque castle – headquarters of Rona glassworks. Visitors are welcomed to spend the morning touring the production plants, watching the glass makers at work and also visiting the exhibition of the current Rona production.



Accompanying event will be the exhibition of the Slovak Glass Art „HLADINY“ , representing the selection of the glass artist's pieces of various generations - Zora Palová, Štěpán Pala, Miloš Balgavý, as well artists of younger and middle generation Patrik Illo, Oliver Leššo, Palo Macho. Preview will take place on Friday June 27. Visitors will be able to see the exhibition in the premises of the Slovak Glass Museum until the end of August.



Palo Macho



Zora Palová



Miloš Balgavý



Patrik Illo

PROGRAMME OF THE INTERNATIONAL GLASS SYMPOSIUM RONA 2014
23. – 27. 6.

Production/Creation of the symposium pieces

Participating artists: Valeria Florescano /MEX/, Indre Stulgaitė /LTV/, Jessamy Kelly /UK/, Emma Woffenden /UK/, Maria Bang Espersen /DK/, Aleksandra Stencel /PL/, Elena Atrashkevich /BLR/, Jakub Berdych /CZ/, Lukáš Jabůrek /CZ/, Miloš Janků /CZ/, Marika Račková /SK/, Laco Teren /SK/, Palo Macho /SK/, Patrik Illo /SK/

24. 6., 15.00 House of Culture, Lednické Rovne

Glass Art – rounds of lectures

Participating art theoreticians:

Krzysztof Kucharczyk /PL/ - Glass and Ceramics Gallery, Wrocław

Anita Bialic /PL/ - Gallery BB Krakow, European Glass Festival, Wrocław

Sylva Petrová /CZ/

Vladimíra Bungeřová, Slovak National Gallery

Vladimír Beskid /SK/

Štefan Chrástina /SK/

Adriana Lopusná /FR/

Lecturers and presentations of Works of participating artists.

27. 6., 17.00, Glass Museum, compound RONA, a. s.

„HLADINY“ - present Slovak Glass

Curator: Viera Kleinová, SNG Bratislava

Exhibiting artists: Miloš Balgavý, Ašot Haas, Patrik Illo, Ivan Illovský, Oliver Leško, Palo Macho, Lukáš Mjartan, Martin Múranica, Tomáš Ondroušek, Juraj Opršal, Štěpán Pala, Zora Palová

28. 6., 8.00 - 12.00, compound RONA, a.s.

Open Day

- Glassmaker's exhibition and exposition of the present production – Rona factory
- Glassmaker's Tree Reveal – compound of the Rona castle (9 am)
- Preview of the Symposium participating glass artists' pieces – Rona castle 9am - 12.00
- Exhibition „Hladiny - Present Slovak Glass“
- Rona showrooms tour
- Sales of the Rona glassware – special offers and prices
- Rona Brass Band Music