

HOROLOGICAL ACADEMY OF INDEPENDENT CREATORS

THE AHCI AT BASELWORLD 2018

Since 1987, AHCI has participated at Baselworld, the renowned and prestigious Swiss exhibition, as well as at many other watch fairs all around the world. This gives collectors, connoisseurs of authentic horology and the international press an opportunity to get in contact with the real watchmakers, who personally present their innovations and high-quality masterpieces. 2018 will mark the 31st year at Baselworld for our Academy.

Our goal is to perpetuate the heritage of horological art and also to promote this exceptional avocation where the young, talented watchmakers are granted a possibility to present and exhibit their creations by participating at the different watch fairs together with the members of the AHCI.

We are happy to announce that 8 of our exceptional watch and clockmakers will expose their chef-d'oeuvres at the AHCI's booth (Hall 2.0 C15) along with 6 candidates and 1 new applicant for candidacy.

Last year, the members of AHCI took part in more than four fairs as representatives of the Academy and also at many small private events and exhibitions as single and independent creators. The latest models of high horology created by nine members and candidates were on display at the Watch Gallery organized by AHCI in Hong Kong and, soon after, at the China Watch and Clock Fair in Shenzhen. Four of our prominent watchmakers were invited to present their creations at the Jeweluxe Singapore exhibition. In November, one of the UK's largest luxury watches fairs, Salon QP, opened its doors to the greatest creators of fine horology among whom were also ten members and candidates of AHCI.

2017 was marked by the great victory of Kari Voutilainen at the Grand Prix D'Horlogèrie De Genève. He was awarded the "Aiguille d'Or" ("Golden Hand") in the "Artistic Crafts Watch Prize" category. We are also very happy to report that six of our members and candidates put up their watches for sale at the charity auction "Only Watch" held in Genève. Many of them were sold at prices higher than previously estimated.

Now, our horological academy counts 30 active members, 8 candidates and 8 honorary members from 15 different countries.

You can meet our members, candidates and applicants at the AHCI booth and get acquainted with their timepieces.

Exhibiting members:

- Svend Andersen, Switzerland
- Robert Bray, United Kingdom
- Vincent Calabrese, Switzerland
- Frank Jutzi, Switzerland
- Sebastian Naeschke, Germany



- Asaoka Hajime, Japan
- Konstantin Chaykin, Russia

Exhibiting candidates:

- Alessandro Rigotto, Italy
- David Candaux, Switzerland
- Ludovic Ballouard, Switzerland
- Lin Yong-Hua, China
- Zehua Tan, China
- Ming Guo, China

Exhibiting applicant:

- Florian Schlumpf, Switzerland

We are looking forward to welcoming all aficionados of fine horology in Basel!

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