



FESTIVAL LESA

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FESTIVAL OF WOOD REPORT 2016

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1. INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN "Primal chair" - FROM IDEA TO PROTOTYPE

In the period from 6 September to 16 October, the 2nd international competition for the design of a wooden chair was held as a tribute to the Kočevje primeval forest. 18 proposals by 20 authors were applied. We received seven ideas (Primal) chairs by foreign authors from France, India and Serbia.

A jury of the International Competition for Industrial Design Primal chair, in the same composition as last year, president prof. dr. Niko Torelli, prof. dr. Janez Suhadolc, Tomaž Hartman, Lela B. Njatin and Andrej Palman, chose one main award and three special mentions.

The main award went to "Chair in a picture" by Ines Rotar. The special mention of the jury went to Origin (Jurado Michael), picCHAIR (Jasna Hrovatin, Rok Hrovatin) and Panj (Snežana Jeremić).

From the selected proposals, Andrej Palman made prototypes for the selected authors and the archive of the Festival of wood, which we will promote next year.

Number of participants: 20



2. OPENING OF THE GUEST EXHIBITION AND DESIGN MARKET

Sreda, 9. 11. , 17.00, Zakladi lesa, TZO 80, Kočevje

We hosted the exhibition of the Secondary Vocational School Slovenj Gradec and Muta "Touch of Wood", which is the result of the project Design Workshop Touch of Wood 2015/16, which took place in cooperation between the Secondary Vocational School Slovenj Gradec and Muta and the Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Ljubljana. The one-year project began with design at the Academy of Fine Arts and Design, where students, with the

help of professors, designed various wooden products in a one-week workshop. Then the students of Secondary Vocational School Slovenj Gradec and Muta produced them. Throughout the festival, a sales exhibition of regional designers of wooden products and products of students of the Grammar school and Secondary School Kočevje was open. On Saturday, November 19, other Slovenian creators of wooden products also presented themselves at the market.

Participants:

Franc Levec - Peter, Atropa, PROKOM doo,., Poropat odd, Andrejka Orsag odd, Janko Marinč odd, Mateja Dekleva, Matija Praznik, Dile za darile, Matej Košir, Srečko MOLK, Metka ZVER O2, FORMAWOOD, HELLO MOI, Boštjan Meglič , Katarina Jože Ambrož, Riba Alenka, Košmrlj Silvester, Loščika Boreci, Sodarstvo Učakar, SODKOSOD Ivan Avsenik

The sales exhibition was also attended by high school students with various wooden products, which were made in the period before the Festival at the school as optional content and in art and practical classes. The funds raised from the sale were donated to the Student Social Fund. The number of participants: the opening of the exhibition 20



3. LIGHT UP THE FESTIVAL - SOCIAL EVENING

Wednesday, November 9, 6 pm, Kočevje Cultural Center, TZO 62, Kočevje

We started the festival with a social evening with the lighting of torches of the fiery heart - the trademark of the Festival and a music program prepared especially for the Festival by musicians from the Association of Kočevje Musicians.

Number of participants: 70



4."WOOD - TECH - TALKS" - OPENING OF THE WOOD FESTIVAL

Thursday, November 10, 18:00, Kočevje Cultural Center, TZO 62, Kočevje

The official opening of the Festival was prepared as a professional educational presentation of innovations and high technologies in the field of wood, with the participation of experts from various fields.

Participants:

- prof. dr. Primož Oven, University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty, Department of Wood Science;
- Assoc. prof. dr. Miha Humar, University of Ljubljana, Biotechnical Faculty, Department of Wood Science;
- prof. dr. Samo Kreft, mag. farm., The University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Pharmacy, Department of Pharmaceutical Biology;
- Assoc. prof. dr. Andreja Kutnar, University of Primorska, Faculty of Mathematics, Natural Sciences and Information Technologies, Department of Applied Natural Sciences
- dr. Igor Mihelič, Technology and Investment Manager, Melamine Chemical Factory d.d. Kočevje

The festival was officially opened by Borut Pahor, President of the Republic of Slovenia.

Number of participants: 140



5. STARTUP WEEKEND KOČEVJE 2016

Friday, 11 November (17.00) - Sunday, 13 November (15.00)

Kočevje Entrepreneur Incubator, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje

This year's Startup Weekend Kočevje 2016 was connected with the public competition for the Best Entrepreneurial Idea in the Municipality of Kočevje.

5 business ideas were submitted. The winners of the Most Entrepreneurial Ideas 2016 were Nataša Škufca and Katarina Hoeffler. Nataša Škufca is a seamstress and designer of unique fashion clothes and accessories. Her creations are mostly worn by teenagers and adult women. Katarina Hoeffler applied with a business idea - the Toy Institute. Its goal is to bring together manufacturers, designers, sellers of children's toys. She came up with this entrepreneurial idea because of her own negative experience. The start-up weekend was intended for all entrepreneurs who have an idea and want to develop it within the competition and place the final service or product on the market.

Number of participants: 30



6. TISLARSKA SOBOTA # 1 - TABLE RESTORATION

Saturday, November 12, 10.00 - 17.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje

The first Tišlar Saturday was led by renowned academic sculptors Jernej Mali and Boštjan Majcen (Dile za darile). Workshop participants brought worn-out wooden chairs and restored them under professional guidance until reused. At the same time, they learned the classic procedures of restoration and according to the "do it yourself" model, tested the materials of the Samson Kamnik company and hand carpentry tools.

Number of participants: 8



7. WE DISCOVER WOOD - A CREATIVE WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES

Sunday, 13 November, 10.00 - 12.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje
At the first family workshop, visitors led by Drago Brinšek and Nataša Gašparac made a candlesticks and a carrot.

Number of participants: 20



8. NEW KNOWLEDGE FOR ALL CITIZENS -

LECTURE ON THE VALUE AND CERTIFICATION OF WOOD AND SAFETY AT WORK IN THE FOREST

Monday, 14 November, 17.00 - 19.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje

To raise awareness of safe work in the forest, learn about certificates of wood quality and origin, and knowledge of tree evaluation, we have prepared a set of three lectures.

Participants:

Jaka Klun, B.Sc., Forestry Institute of Slovenia, Department of Forestry Engineering and Economics:

VarBiom project - ensuring safety in the implementation of works in the forest and the preparation of wood biomass.

Peter Bele, B of Wood Science, Head of the Certification - Forestry and Woodworking Unit, Bureau Veritas, d.o.o. :

FSC and PEFC certification schemes and Regulation no. 995/2010 on legal logging (EUTR); PEFC and FSC standards

Jože Mori, B.Sc. of Forestry, Slovenian Forest Service, KE Radeče-Mokronog: How to evaluate wood

Number of participants: 10

The number of lecture participants was small. But they were from the relevant professions.

Together, we found that such lectures are also needed several times a year and closer to forest owners. We agreed to organize lectures in neighbouring municipalities in the coming year.



9. CREATIVE AFTERNOON - WORKSHOP FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Tuesday, 15 November, 17.00 - 19.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje
In cooperation with the Kočevje Pensioners' Association, we prepared a workshop for the elderly and made stands for bottles and glasses and wooden spruces. The participants showed great enthusiasm and desire to create. Therefore, we will prepare a set of thematic workshops in the coming year. The workshop was led by Drago Brinšek, B s cof Woodworking, Andrej Palman, associate technologist and Nataša Gašparac, BA.

Number of participants: 16



10. WOODEN HOURS - WORKSHOPS WITH WOOD FOR CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTENS

Wednesday, 16 November and Thursday 17 November

As a positive attitude towards the environment needs to be encouraged at an early age, we prepared workshops for the youngest and wanted to inspire them and bring them closer to wood, a natural value that has already served our ancestors. In cooperation with the Kočevje Kindergarten, we visited all units of the kindergarten (Kekec, Ostržek, Čebelica, Narcisa and Mojca) and organized workshops for preschool groups making wooden magnets.

At the same time, children got to know the types of wood, the Wood Festival, and finally they sanded wooden magnets. In the end, children painted magnets.

Number of participants: 160



11. WOOD INDUSTRY OF THE 21ST CENTURY - PRESENTATION OF INNOVATIONS AND NEWS FOR ENTREPRENEURS

Thursday, November 17, 5 pm, Ribnica Rokodelski center, Cesta na Ugar 6, 1310 Ribnica
After last year's successful cooperation with the neighbouring municipality of Ribnica, this year we decided to organize one event together with the Chamber of Crafts Ribnica. It was intended for entrepreneurs from the wider region.

Participants:

Franci Bratkovič, B.Sc. Econ, director of the Development Center Novo mesto, d.o.o. .:

Presentation of the project Introduction of industrial robotics in production processes.

Dušan Radoš, director of Silvaprodukt d.o.o. and Gregor Rep, univ. dipl. chem., Silvaprodukt d.o.o

Presentation of the award-winning Silvapro® thermal modification process.

Iris Ksenija Brkovič, Secretary of the Wood Professions Section, Chamber of Craft and Entrepreneurship of Slovenia: Presentation of the online manual for performing wood activities - legal framework

On this day, in the period from 9.00 to 15.00, the open day of the new drying room of the wood processing centre Kočevski les also took place.

Number of participants: 35



12. FROM 0 TO 100 WITH GASPER AND ANDREJ - PROTOTYPING WEEKENDS

Friday, November 18 - Sunday, November 20, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje

As an upgrade of the Startup weekend, this year we decided to take a step forward in terms of developing business ideas. Thus, we prepared a weekend workshop for participants who would also develop their wooden product for the prototype. The workshop was held as a presentation and practical demonstration on the design, preparation and production of a prototype of wooden products on a CNC machine. The workshop was led by industrial designer Gašper Premože (Polygon Creative Center, Zen Egg) and Andrej Palman, a wood

engineer. Due to the desire for additional knowledge and interest, we will continue the workshop next year.

Number of participants: 6



13. AWARD CEREMONY OF THE "(PRA) STOL" DESIGN AWARDS

Friday 18.11., 18.00, Cultural Center Kočevje, TZO 62, Kočevje

The awards of the design competition were presented at a solemn announcement and the prototypes were presented for the first time.

The awards ceremony was attended by three award recipients.

Number of participants: 120



14. TISLARSKA SOBOTA # 2 - RECYCLING AND PALLET FURNITURE

Saturday, 19 November, 9.00 - 13.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje

On the last Saturday of the Festival, there was a workshop on making trays from pallets and a presentation of the use of pallets in processing with Palletstory and a presentation of the operation of the Upcycling Center.

Number of participants: 8 per workshop

50 visitors to the presentation of the operation of the Upcycling Center



15. WE DISCOVER WOOD - CREATIVE WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES

Sunday, November 20, 10.00 - 12.00, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, TZO 22, Kočevje
The last family workshop was thematically coloured. We made Christmas decorations, spruce and wreaths from wooden rings. The workshop was led by Drago Brinšek, BSC of Wood science, Jože Pavlič, BS of Wood science, Nataša Gašparac, BA.
Number of participants: 25



16. MADE IN RIBNICA EXHIBITION

Wednesday, 9 November - Friday, 18 November, Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, Ljubljanska 12, Kočevje

In the spirit of neighbourhood integration, we invited the Ribnica Handicraft Center to participate on the Festival with the exhibition Made in Ribnica. This represents three sets of modern products made of wood and clay, which originate from the pond tradition. These three sets are the Biennial of Design (BIO 50), industrial design in the wickerwork and pottery school, which is carried out at the Ribnica Handicraft Center, and Ribrand's brand of modern wooden products. All three sets are connected into a whole, which represents a collaboration between artisans (craftsmen) and designers.

Number of participants: 150



17. STUDENT CORNER - OPENING OF SOCIAL SCHOOL SPACE

Gimnazija in srednja šola Kočevje, Ljubljanska cesta 12, Kočevje

Due to the high occupancy of other events of the Festival, we have not yet managed to realize the opening of student corners. This will be realized in the future.

For the better well-being of students at the Kočevje Gimnazija in srednja šola, the grammar school students, together with teachers and Urban Brlog, prepared a proposal for a "student corner", which will also be implemented by secondary school student carpenters.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE FESTIVAL:

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