## 12th International Exhibition Glass Sculpture and Garden in Munster Jury selects artists to participate

From more than 50 applications, 47 artists were selected and invited to participate in the 12th International Exhibition Glass Sculpture and Garden. From 27 August to 18 September, they will exhibit a total of 82 works of art on the meadows and parks around the Ollershof and the St. Urbani Church, transforming these areas into a large open-air gallery.

A call for entries last year invited international artists to apply for participation by submitting designs, sketches or photos of their glass objects by 1 December 2021. The jury consisted of Birgit Ruf, Uta von Loh, Gaby Skottke and Siegfried Irion, delegated by the parliamentary groups in the council, Mayor Ulf-Marcus Grube, Head of Department Benjamin von Ahlen and also Rudolf Horst, who was called in because of his experience with the exhibition. They examined the submitted documents and selected the artists who will be invited to the exhibition.

The artists admitted come from six European countries, 37 of them have already exhibited in Munster once or several times, 10 are participating for the first time. The fact that the number of applications from abroad has declined slightly compared to the last exhibition may be due to the pandemic and the resulting uncertain economic conditions, especially in the field of art and culture. However, the members of the jury agreed that the design, technical and artistic range of the proposed works promises a diverse and interesting exhibition and will provide a good overview of contemporary glass art for outdoor spaces.

All the artworks exhibited in the outdoor area will take part in the competition for the city's art prize of  $\notin 6,000$ . An international jury will award the art prize on the day of the opening.

In addition to the exhibition of large-scale artworks in the outdoor area, 67 small objects made of glass will also be shown as special exhibitions in the hall of the city library and in the St. Urbani Church.