



Collegiate Ice Carving Invitational Two-day event

The Collegiate Ice Carving Invitational (CICI) is designed to help young college students prepare for buffet and competition sculpting. The focus will be on the education of young carvers and not as much on the scoring system and competitive rules.

We will crown individual winners and the overall college team. This format fits well in preparing the student for Collegiate Nationals. This program will also encourage young carvers to carve ice at their place of employment.

Compulsory Event: Friday, January 8th, 5-8pm – 1 Block / 1.5 Hours / “Buffet Style”

Students will be given a template at random. This will simulate the compulsory event at the Collegiate National Championships. Design will be a “buffet” style sculpture with no fusions. Students will be given their designs at check-in and will have some time to consult with their coach about the carving. Students will practice their “buffet” sculpture skills and their ability to carve a new or never seen design. After the student is finished carving they will need to move their sculpture and set it up at a designated spot. This will simulate the commercial delivery process used in the ice carving industry. This compulsory is optional and will not be tied to the scores or prizes on Saturday, January 9. Prizes and gift cards for meals will be given for each participating team for participating.

Seminar: Saturday, January 9th, 10-11am

First we will have a seminar that will be made available to all students who attend the competition it will take place before the NICA competition. This class may also be extended to any university students who attend a school that is participating in this program. For example, if one school has enough tools for 4 competitors but has 6 students in the carving program, those students would still be allowed to attend the seminar even if they are not competing that day.

Competition Ice Sculptures : Improving your scores

This seminar will go over the NICA guidelines using a demonstration sculpture as an example of how to improve your scores in competition. NICA certified Judges will be on hand to field any questions or comments from the students, coaches or crowd. We will go over common mistakes in competition and reinforce where “easy” points can be scored. We will also cover the judging process so that it is better understood.

Competition: Saturday, January 9th, 12:30- 4:30 pm – 1 Block / 4 hours / Freestyle

This NICA style competition will be a single block, freestyle, with a four-hour time limit. This extended time format is designed for students who need help finishing their sculptures. The competition will be one in which the judges and coaches are allowed to help the students when they have questions. By this I mean that a judge or coach will be permitted to use the students tools to demonstrate on their sculpture how to complete a particular technique. For example, if a student is carving a swan and is detailing the wing, a judge may come over and carve one or two feathers to demonstrate to the student how it could be done. This will be a teaching competition so coaches and teachers are allowed in the carving area. Those students who need more help will have it during the competition as opposed to only before and after the event. Competition will be judged using NICA guidelines. There will be no medals awarded as this will be a learning style competition.

Scoring System:

The competition scores of each competitor on a two-person team will be combined with the to declare the final winners. NICA will not give out medals to students but will provide ribbons for placement

We will also provide prize ribbons for first to fifth place for individual and teams. Each school will form a team by pairing up two students, if you have four students then you have two teams, six students then you have three teams and so on. To compete as a team you must have at least two competitors present from each school. The school may have more students, or an odd number of students.

Judges:

The high and low scores will be dropped; an average of the three remaining scores will be used to determine the final score. Judges will be college coaches, instructors, and NICA officials.

Schools:

NICA will charge each participating school \$225. This will allow for 5 students to attend and compete in the competition. The school is allowed to bring as many students as they wish to attend seminars but only five can compete. All entry fees will go to NICA. Each additional student will cost \$25.00 to compete.

Students:

Students must be full or part time status at a university. Students not on a team may attend even if their school chooses not to pay the \$225 participation fee. Those students will be required to pay an entry fee of \$65 per student. All entry fees will go to NICA. Awards ceremony could be at the dinner location. If lodging is not available we must have a host hotel with a very reasonable rate for students.

Travel Stipends:

NICA will provide each school's coach with a travel stipend to help off-set the cost of hotel rooms and travel. Please try and get your school to pay the entry fees for the students. This will allow you to use this travel stipend for lodging and travel.

Meals:

The City of Holland will have an awards banquet dinner after the competition is over. They will also be providing lunch and snacks.



**Entry Form for Collegiate Invitational
Holland Michigan January 8-9, 2010
Students must be NICA members**

Coaches Name _____ PHONE# _____

Schools Name _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Fax # _____ E-mail _____

ENTRY FEE is \$225.00 for each school up to 5 students can compete. \$25.00 for each additional student. Travel stipends will be provided

\$65.00 for individual students not coming with a school.

Will you be participating in the Compulsory event on Friday night ? Yes _____ No _____

Make check payable to NICA or pay by VISA or MASTERCARD

Credit Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

Please return this application and entry fee to:

**NICA, P.O. Box 2314, Columbus, OH 43216 or
fax back with credit card payment to 1-(630)-868-8393.**

Please contact the NICA office at (630) 871-8431 if you have any questions.

Information about lodging is included with this packet. Also a schedule of events is included. Please have all of the paperwork filled out ahead of time and either mail it in or contact the office to let us know if you are attending.

Students Information:

Students Name _____

School _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-mail _____

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**WAIVER AND RELEASE FORM
LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT
FOR**

**Downtown Holland Ice Carving Competition
January 8-9, 2010**

The undersigned acknowledges that he/she has requested and made formal application for participation in **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition and the City of Holland Principal Shopping District**, sponsored by **City of Holland Principal Shopping District and The National Ice Carving Association** understand that participation in said competition will involve the use of chain saws and other articles of equipment necessary to shape and sculpt blocks of ice weighing in excess of 300 pounds. In consideration for and as a condition of being permitted to participate for any purpose in **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition**, the undersigned, for himself and personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin, agrees that he/she has or will, prior to his/her participation in **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition and the City of Holland Principal Shopping District**, sponsored by **City of Holland Principal Shopping District and The National Ice Carving Association**, acknowledge that he/she can fully participate in all areas the competition will encompass without restriction, that he/she is fully aware of the responsibilities his/her participation will require and the dangers wherein thereto, and does further warrant that his/her participation constitutes an acknowledgment that he/she has inspected the location where the competition is to be held and the equipment to be used and that both are safe and reasonably suited for their intended purposes.

In addition, **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition**, will not be responsible for theft or damage to any personal property, tools, or equipment before, during, or after **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition**.

Therefore, the undersigned hereby voluntarily releases, waives, discharges, and covenants not to sue **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition or the City of Holland Principal Shopping District or the National Ice Carving Association**, its officers, directors, employees, or agents all for purposes herein referred to as Releases, from all liability to the undersigned, his personal representative, assigns, heirs and next of kin for all loss or damage and any claim or demands therefore, on account of injury to the person or property or resulting in death of the undersigned whether caused by the negligence of the Releases or otherwise from participation in the **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition**, referred to above.

Signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

In Case of an Emergency Contact _____ Phone# _____

Relationship _____

**PUBLICITY RELEASE FORM
FOR**

**Downtown Holland Ice Carving Competition
January 8-9, 2010**

As a competitor, I hereby assign and grant the right and permission to copyright and/or use and/or publish photographs of me which may be included in whole or part of composite or reproductions thereof for publicity or advertising purposes.

Accordingly, I release and discharge the persons hosting/sponsoring the event, **Downtown Holland Ice Sculpting Competition and the City of Holland Principal Shopping District** and the **National Ice Carving Association**, and persons acting for or on behalf of them, from any liability by virtue of any blurring, distortion, alteration, optical illusion, or use in composite form that may occur or be produced in the taking of said picture or in any processing thereof through completion of the finished product. I have read this release and agree to abide by it.

Signature _____ Date _____

Title of piece: _____

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____

Affiliation _____

Address/City/State _____

Telephone Number (day) _____ (night) _____

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Invitational
2010 Hotel Information

A total of 15 rooms have been blocked off at a special reduced rate for Collegiate Invitational students, judges, and officials at a hotel just a 5 minute drive from Downtown Holland. Rooms have been blocked off for Friday, January 8 and Saturday, January 9. In order to guarantee a room at the reduced rate, you must book your room **no later than December 15**. When you call to make your reservation, please tell them you are calling with the Ice Sculpting Competition.

Hotel Name: Microtel Inn & Suites
Address: 643 Hastings Avenue
Holland, MI 49423
Phone: 616.392.3235 • 1.866.595.6564 (Toll Free)
Website: www.microtelinn.com
Room Price: \$49.00 Per Standard Room (One or Two Queen Beds) or \$59.00
Per Suite
Check In/Out Times: 3:00 pm/11:00 am

For those wishing to stay in the heart of Downtown, the two distinctive Downtown hotels are also offering a special reduced rate for Collegiate Invitational students, judges, and officials. While no rooms have been blocked off, you can receive the reduced rate when you call to make your reservation by telling them you are with Ice Sculpting Competition. If you are looking for an exceptional lodging experience close to the competition for an incredible price, look no further!

Hotel Name: CityFlats Hotel
Address: 61 East 7th Street
Downtown Holland, MI 49423
Phone: 616.796.2100 • 1.866.609.CITY (Toll Free)
Website: www.cityflatshotel.com
Rate: \$85.00 Per Standard Room
Check In/Out Times: 4:00 pm/11:00 am

Hotel Name: Haworth Inn & Conference Center
Address: 225 College Avenue
Downtown Holland, MI 49423
Phone: 616.395.7200 • 1.800.903.9142 (Toll Free)
Website: www.haworthinn.com
Rate: \$89.00 Per Standard Room (Includes Continental Breakfast)

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Schedule of Events

Competitors, coaches, and officials are invited to enjoy hot beverages and other refreshments in the lobby of the Warm Friend (Corner of 8th Street and Central Avenue) throughout the competition.

Friday, January 8:

5:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Check In

Warm Friend Lobby (Corner of 8th Street and Central Avenue) **If you can not check-in by 5:30 please let me know and we will try to make it work so you can compete in the compulsory.**

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Compulsory Event (2 Hours)

Carving Locations (Throughout 8th Street)

8:00 pm

Dinner On Your Own

84 East Pasta and Spirits (84 East 8th Street)

8th Street Grille (20 West 8th Street)

Use your \$10 gift card towards dinner at either of the restaurants above!

Saturday, January 9:

8:30 am to 9:30 am

Check In

Avenue)

Warm Friend Lobby (Corner of 8th Street and Central

10:00 am to 11:00 am

Seminar and Demonstration (1 Hour)

GDK Park (8th Street Next to Cold Stone Creamery)

“Competition Ice Sculptures: Improving Your Scores”

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Lunch

Alpenrose Restaurant (Corner of 8th Street and Central Avenue)

A private room has been reserved for lunch. All competitors, coaches, and officials are invited to enjoy the lunch buffet, featuring a wide variety of salads, soup, entrees, sides, and desserts.

12:30 pm to 4:30 pm

NICA Collegiate Invitational Competition (4 Hours)

Carving Locations (Throughout 8th Street)

6:00 pm

Dinner and Awards Ceremony

New Holland Brewing Co. (66 East 8th Street)

A private room has been reserved for dinner and the awards ceremony. All competitors, coaches, and officials are invited to enjoy dinner while we find out who the winners are!