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Official Opening for Skammdegi Festival 2016 in Ólafsfjörður (North Iceland)

*25 Artists from all over the world.
3 months during winter in Ólafsfjörður, North Iceland.
1 month of showcase from 28 January - 21 February 2016.*

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Listhus Artspace is proud to present Skammdegi Festival 2016, an annual festival of music, visual arts and mixed media created by international artists. A total of 25 artists were selected from 71 applications from all over the world. The Festival is in its second year, and aims to bring innovative works to local Icelandic and international audience.

You are cordially invited to the opening group exhibition on **28 January 2016, Thursday, 7pm at Listhus Gallery, Ólafsfjörður, North Iceland**. 11 of the participating artists will be showcasing their works during the opening exhibition.

Festival Highlights

The Key Man

Banana Effect, a theatre group from Hong Kong, presents *The Key Man*, an Immersive Game Theatre combining shadow puppet elements on **29 January 2016, Friday, 7pm at Menningarhús Tjarnarborg, Ólafsfjörður, North Iceland**. There will be participation from the local students who have participated in the workshops prior to the performance as well.

Open House

There will be a guided tour on **14 February 2016, Sunday**, to selected houses of locals living in Ólafsfjörður in which visitors will have a sneak peak at the art collections and their own artworks.

Music Soup

During the closing of the Festival on **21 February 2016, Sunday**, there will be an informal concert, in which anyone is welcomed to join and perform music, inspired by the dark winter.



Programme for First Week (28 - 31 January 2016, Thursday to Sunday)

Here are the programme for the different venues in Ólafsfjörður during the first week:

Listhus Gallery

Group exhibition (OPENING) on 28 January 2016, 7pm

Joe's Guesthouse

- Scott Probst, a versatile artist from Australia will open room 203 to the public on 30 and 31 January 2016, from 3 - 4 pm
- Judy-b, a writer from San Francisco, USA, will showcase her installation work, *What Am I Saying?/Hvað er ég að segja?* in Café Klara, which is located at the guesthouse.

Menningarhús Tjarnarborg

The Key Man, an Immersive Game Theatre performance piece by Banana Effect (Hong Kong) on 29 January 2016, 7pm.

Artist Talk for First Week

Jack Duplock (London, UK) will be doing an artist talk, *The Gathering*, on **31 January 2016, 5pm**, in Listhus Gallery. He will be talking about the influence of Folk Art in contemporary culture.

For detailed program for the rest of the 4 weeks of the Festival, and the bios of the participating artists, please click [here](#).

Please also visit www.skammdegifestival.com for more information.

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