



# Piolets d'Or 2023



An International  
Celebration  
of Grand  
Alpinism

## PROGRAMME

### TUESDAY, 14 NOVEMBER

- Piolets d'Or opening night
- Film screening and discussion evening

### WEDNESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER

- 11 am to 4 pm: Abseil descent from the Pont d'Asfeld bridge with mountain guides from the Briançon Bureau des Guides.
- 2 pm to 4 pm: Book fair and signing sessions.
- 4 pm: Presentation of the ascents and press conference.
- 6:30 pm: Drinks and hors d'oeuvres.
- 8 pm: Gala evening.
- 10 pm: Concert and drinks.

### THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER

- Introduction to climbing with the awards.

**We are pleased and proud to welcome all of you to the 2023 Piolets d'Or, which will be held in Briançon for the third consecutive year from 14 to 16 November. As the highest city in the Alps, Briançon is actively seeking to put a strong mountain culture at the heart of its development.**

The 2023 event promises to be a rich one, thanks to numerous notable ascents in 2022 on the biggest peaks in the Himalaya, Karakoram, and Tien Shan, but also in the rugged, wild mountains of Patagonia, Alaska, and Greenland.

The international technical jury, which includes two women for the first time, has the difficult task of selecting the most significant ascents of the year 2022, based on the values of the multifaceted charter: innovation, commitment level, technical difficulty, economy of means, exploration, team spirit, etc.

> MEMBERS OF THE 2023 INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL JURY

> LIST OF SIGNIFICANT ASCENTS OF 2022

## An event you won't want to miss !

The rich programme of festivities includes films, round tables, a book fair, outdoor activities, and of course the gala evening and awards ceremony, which will be held at the Briançon Theatre once again this year. It's an opportunity for sharing, discovery, and exchange with alpinists from all over the world.

## Briançon, a paradise for mountaineering and rock climbing.

Briançon's reputation is now firmly established as an ideal basecamp for alpinists. It is surrounded by a variety of limestone and granite ranges like the mountains of Ecrins National Park, home to famous peaks such as La Meije, which was the last major summit in the Alps to be climbed.

The city is certainly a paradise for alpine climbing! But it's also a prime spot for sport climbing! Not only has Briançon recently been awarded "2024 Land of the Games" status (as an official sport climbing training centre for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games), it also just inaugurated a new covered, international-level sport climbing wall, which hosted the world's best climbers as they went head to head in competition in the summer of 2023.



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