

56th Marmomac scheduled at Veronafiere until Friday 30 September

MARMOMAC: ARCHISTAR CRAIG COPELAND PROCLAIMED MASTER OF STONE 2022

Pierluigi Testi, Luca Todeschini and Elena Amadini also received the award at Veronafiere yesterday.

Verona, 28 September 2022 - Craig Copeland, the internationally renowned architect, sculptor and industrial designer who has won many awards for his futuristic projects in New York and Washington was proclaimed Master of Stone 2022 yesterday. The award was presented to him yesterday during **Marmomac**, the leading exhibition for the natural stone value chain scheduled at **Veronafiere** until Friday 30 September.

This award continues the tradition of the Ancient Free Corporation of Stone Arts in Verona founded in 1319 and as of 1980 is made to people who have distinguished themselves in upholding and promoting the natural stone sector.

The ceremony organised yesterday at Veronafiere was attended by President **Federico Bricolo** and CEO **Maurizio Danese**.

Copeland received the official insignia of the Award (a cube of Verona Red marble, a bronze tile and a silver chisel) for his role as *"world ambassador of natural stone materials, in architectural and design applications alike"* and *"for having experimented boldly with futurist projects while interpreting the uniqueness and ductility of marble and natural stone"*.

Three other new Masters of Stone were proclaimed alongside Copeland: **Pierluigi Testi**, President of Testi Group, *"for the entrepreneurial spirit applied in developing new market realities and commitment to promoting and safeguarding natural stone, with AS.MA.VE. and Confindustria"*; **Luca Todeschini**, CEO of La Ponte Marmi, *"for the enthusiasm and perseverance in guiding the family business, qualities also shared with the Young Business Group of the Valpantena Marble Consortium"*; **Elena Amadini**, Exhibition Manager of the Stone & Design Area with Veronafiere, *"for having built Marmomac, year after year, together with exhibitors, institutional and category partners, always with an eye to innovation for products and the exhibition format alike"*.