## **Tuesday, January 28 – Opening Ceremony**

Location: Baljuwstraat 2, 3039 AK Rotterdam

• **Arrival**: 18:30

- Participants and guests arrive, register, and enjoy welcome drinks.
- Start: 19:00
  - Official opening of the event. Brief introduction and outline of the competition details.
     The evening will include a Q&A session, giving participants a chance to ask questions and clarify any details about the competition.
- End: 21:00
  - The opening ceremony concludes with networking and the chance to meet other competitors and attendees.

## Wednesday, January 29 - Competition Day 1

Location: Baljuwstraat 2, 3039 AK Rotterdam

• Breakfast: 08:00 - 09:00

- A light breakfast provided for participants to start the day.
- Breakfast will be served at the Baljuwstraat
- Carousel: 09:00 10:30
  - Participants will rotate through three challenge stations:

## **Herb Identification**

**Distillate Identification** 

#### **Free Pour Challenge**

- Each station will test bartending skills, from recognizing ingredients to demonstrating free-pouring techniques.
- Classic to Signature: 09:55 16:00
  - o Participants will create a classic cocktail and then innovate with their own signature drink, showcasing their creativity and flair.
- Lunch: 11:30 13:30
  - Lunch break to recharge.
- Walking Dinner: 18:00 21:00
  - Enjoy a walking dinner at Albeda Groos for a casual and enjoyable evening of food and conversation.

#### Thursday, January 30 – Competition Day 2

Location: Lutonbaan 9, 3045 AZ Rotterdam

Breakfast: 08:00 - 09:00

- A final breakfast to prepare for the last day of competition.
- Breakfast will be served at the Lutonbaan
- Mystery Box Challenge: 09:00 15:45
  - Participants will receive a mystery box containing:

A distillate from Lucas Bols

A fruit ingredient

Herbs/spices

A cress from Koppert Cress

- They will need to create a unique cocktail using all the mystery ingredients provided within the given timeframe.
- Lunch: 11:30 13:30
  - o A break for lunch, allowing participants to relax and refocus.

• Gala Dinner: 17:45 – 22:00

• Arrival: 17:45

- o Participants and guest arrive and will be welcomed with a drink and light bites
- Start diner: 18:15
  - The gala diner officially begins, featuring the awards ceremony where the winners of the competition will be announced.

**Location:** Rosestraat 1101, 3071 AL Rotterdam

The Gala Dinner at Albeda Vipz, marks the grand conclusion of the event. During the
evening, the winners will be announced, and prizes will be awarded to the top
competitors.

# Friday, January 31 - Departure Day

- For participants staying at the hotel, check-out and departure.
- We do not provide breakfast, this will be at your own expense.