

Press release  
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## **INDOOR ICE-RINK AND SANTA WEEKEND FILLED WITH HIGHLIGHTS AT GALERIA KATOWICKA**

**Free-of-charge ice-rink with skates rental, drop-in child care center, meeting with the Santa Claus, theater play performed by learners from the Silesian Theater's Acting School, acting and vocal workshops, LEGO video games tournament and other attractions – Galeria Katowicka is turning into the Christmas Land.**

"Yesterday we lit up over 16,000 lights on our Christmas tree at Plac Szewczyka. Galeria Katowicka's tree is over 15 meters high and boasts more than 700 ornaments. Combined with the mall's Christmas decorations, it creates magical atmosphere in the city center," says Dawid Prymas, Marketing and PR Director at Galeria Katowicka. "Throughout December we are going to host a lot of specials events that are supposed to evoke the Christmas spirit," he adds.

Galeria Katowicka has an indoor ice-rink at level +2, next to the viewing point overlooking Plac Szewczyka. The rink is made of synthetic panels. Its measures are 10 x 6 meters. Customers can use it Monday through Friday, 2 p.m. – 8 p.m., and at weekends, from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. The on-site skates rental offers sizes 27-46.

Starting from Saturday, December 5, children will be able to focus on games, animations and special workshops in the HIGHER LEVEL PROJECT Zone at floor +2 while their parents are doing shopping. Babysitting staff will be taking care of kids in Galeria Katowicka's Christmas Land Monday through Friday, 3 p.m. – 7 p.m., and at weekends, from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Another place featuring Christmas spirit and special events is an area next to Blikle café at level +1. On Saturday, December 5, 1:00-2:30 p.m. and 4:00-5:30 p.m., we will be holding Elves Workshops called "Sing out for Christmas." Everyone will get a chance to participate in vocal training, sing carols with live music accompaniment, as well as read parts of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

Galeria Katowicka has also prepared a range of special attractions for Saint Nicholas' Day, December 6 (Sunday).

The "Mall Stage" (at level +2) will see "The Enchanted Suitcase" play for kids, performed by learners from the Silesian Theater's Acting School at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Between midday and 7 p.m. (excl. a break for the theater

play) the mall is going to offer acting classes, "New Urban Myths," run by Artur Pałyga, playwright from the Silesian Theater. Children will be developing their own professional plays.

Saint Nicholas' Day (Sunday, December 6) would be incomplete if there was no meeting with the Santa Claus. He and some elves will be waiting for children between 12 p.m. and 4 p.m. in Galeria Katowicka's Christmas Land at level +2. A photographer is going to be on site during all workshops, meetings and games held from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Customers can collect their pictures from Fotojoker at level -1.

The upcoming weekend (December 5-6) will also offer visitors a chance to have some fun with LEGO Video Games. On Saturday and Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Galeria Katowicka's ground floor is going to turn into a venue of a huge LEGO games tournament. Finals can be watched on a big screen installed specifically for this event. Everyone is invited to use PlayStation 4 consoles to play Batman 3: Beyond Gotham, Marvel Super Heroes and other games. Visitors can also get their faces painted with video games' characters and motifs.

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**Galeria Katowicka** is a unique retail and transport center located in downtown Katowice. Its retail space of 53,000 m<sup>2</sup> hosts over 250 units. Galeria Katowicka attracts more than a million consumers each month. Customers can leave their vehicles at a two-level underground car park with 1,200 spaces. The mall offers direct access to a railway station and an underground public bus terminal. It has a Multikino cinema with 10 screening rooms, incl. an ultra-modern "Xtreme" room equipped with Dolby Atmos sound system. Galeria Katowicka was opened on September 18, 2013.

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