

HELLO  
WOOD

VELUX®

# CABIN FEVER

## KAMENICE

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL  
AND FESTIVAL OF ARCHITECTURE



# OPEN CALL

ČESKÁ KAMENICE  
CZECH REPUBLIC  
2026. JULY 20 - 28.





# **HELLO BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE!**

**Get ready because Cabin Fever 2026 is taking  
over Czechia, and we need YOU!**

It's 8 days of full-on creativity, hands-on building, and unforgettable memories. You'll be working with internationally renowned architects, building timber cabins and installations from scratch, in the magical setting of an old textile factory surrounded by forests and mountains.







# **ABOUT HELLO WOOD**

We're a DESIGN&BUILD architecture studio that started out in 2010 as a summer art camp for architecture and design students. Since then, we've grown into a global movement involving 20+ universities and 40+ countries.

**We believe in learning by doing, breaking down barriers between generations and professions, and creating real-world impact through architecture.**





## **Proud Main Sponsor of Cabin Fever Summer School**

As the main sponsor of Cabin Fever Summer School, VELUX is committed to supporting the next generation of architects and designers who are shaping a more sustainable, light-filled future. With over 80 years of experience, they lead the way in creating healthier indoor environments through daylight and fresh air.

The philosophy of VELUX is rooted in a deep respect for both people and the planet. VELUX solution don't just bring plenty of daylight in spaces we live in, they reduce energy consumption, improve quality of indoor climate and strengthen our connection to nature.

**By partnering with Cabin Fever, they are fostering creativity and forward-thinking design. It's a collaboration that reflects our core belief: the future must be built responsibly, with light, with care, and with purpose.**





## **WHAT'S THE CABIN FEVER ABOUT?**

Cabin Fever 2026 is more than just a summer school, it's a one-of-a-kind architectural adventure. You're invited to join and design something extraordinary! You'll have the opportunity to build your design, and if you're coming as a team, you can also submit your own proposal for a temporary installation and work together to bring it to life. A unique aspect of the program is that all participating students will receive official credit for the completed structures, offering professional recognition and valuable additions to your portfolios.

## **THE SETTING?**

A former textile factory surrounded by nature in Česká Kamenice, Czechia, a place where history, landscape, and architecture collide in all the right ways. Add in evening events, workshops, bonfires, and a whole lot of good energy, and you've got the kind of summer experience that sticks with you for a lifetime.

**WATCH THE CABIN FEVER 2025 AFTERMOVIE!**









**Location:**

**ČESKÁ KAMENICE  
CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Dates:**

**JULY 20-28, 2026**

**Save the date!**





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FEVER  
KAMENICE**

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WOOD**

Dresden



**CABIN  
FEVER**

Česká  
Kamenice

Liberec

Prague

**LOCATION**

**VELUX®**

WE ARE  
DAYLIGHT  
ARCHITECTS



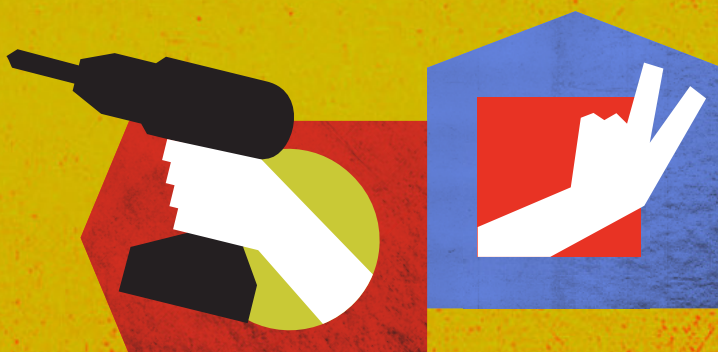


# HOW TO APPLY?

**There are three ways to apply for the camp:**

- ① Individually to the builder teams**
- ③ As a team to build the cabins**
- ④ As a team submitting design proposal**

**The proposals should be for cabins, bridge or a pathway, some of them will be selected and realized during the camp.**





# **① APPLY INDIVIDUALLY TO THE BUILDER TEAMS**

Come and build insanely cool projects with us, make lifelong friends and become part of the Hello Wood community forever.

**Register using this form – [link here](#)  
Deadline: Dec 31, 2025 – 23:59 CET**



# 2 3 APPLY AS TEAMS WITH DESIGN PROPOSAL

Submit an outstanding, buildable design in one of the four categories, and if you're selected, you'll lead a 10–15-person team through the entire camp.

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## CATEGORIES

Here are a few sparks to ignite your imagination:

- A CABINS**  
Functional, human-centered, following the VELUX approach
- B BRIDGE AND PATHWAY**  
Because we all need more connection
- C WOOD INSTALLATIONS**  
Functional or atmospheric interventions that shape the experience of the site
- D LIGHT INSTALLATIONS**  
A call for creative lighting designers and light artists to design and build permanent lighting concepts that enhance the atmosphere of the cabins and the site



# A CABINS

## DESIGN FOCUS:

Four-season usability, with daylight and fresh air treated as foundational design materials. The project should follow the VELUX philosophy, using natural light to shape the spatial experience, define atmosphere, and enhance comfort. The disposition should be intelligently illuminated, using structure, openings, and orientation to bring in daylight deliberately and playfully.

## MAIN REQUIREMENTS:

### — Integration of VELUX products:

Windows will be pre-fabricated wooden elements with triple glazing. The design must treat daylight as a core architectural element, ensuring optimal levels of natural lighting, reduced energy consumption, and enhanced indoor comfort. Consider how light enters, moves through, and interacts with the interior. Placement of openings should intentionally choreograph daylight, highlight the timber structure, and enrich the user's experience throughout the day.

### — Ventilation & comfort:

By incorporating different operable **VELUX** elements, you can secure natural airflow and plenty of fresh air, the foundation of a healthy and comfortable indoor climate.

### — Heating system:

Split air conditioner integrated into the structure.

### — Prefabricated utility block:

Includes a bathroom, toilet, sink, kitchenette, and wardrobe.

This unit will be delivered as a fixed, non-modifiable element that must be incorporated into the design. But these must remain consistent across all units. Identical surface modifications can be proposed for the kitchen panel and wardrobe doors. All five cabins will feature the same materials, sanitary fixtures, and built-in elements.

### — Foundation and mobility:

Screw pile foundation. The cabin must be transportable.

### — Structure:

Timber structure – can be CLT, another timber material, or Hello Wood's proprietary "**sandwich panel**" (an insulated, waterproof CLT-based panel allowing various external claddings such as aluminum composite or timber).

### — Construction efficiency:

Must be constructible within 8 days based on manufacturing drawings and pre-fabricated elements developed in collaboration with Hello Wood.

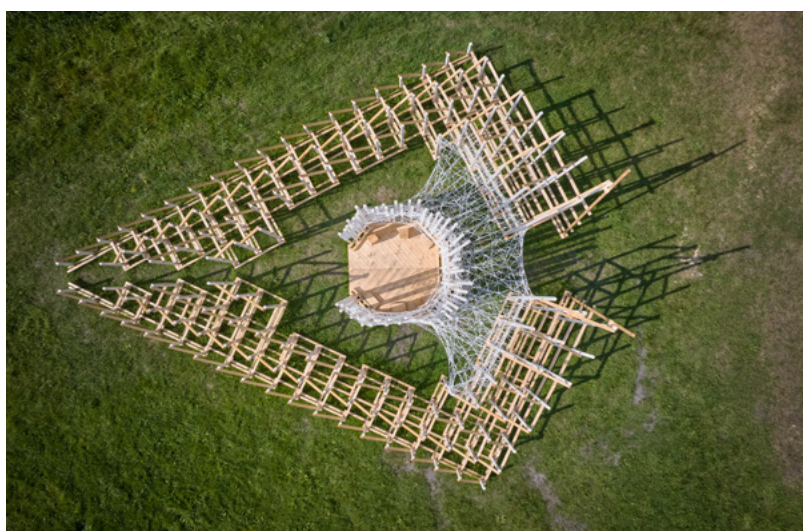
### — Maximum dimensions:

Height: 400 cm

Width: 350 cm (up to 390 cm in special cases)

Length: 800 cm







# B BRIDGE AND PATHWAY

**The bridge must connect the nearby parking area with the design site. The bridge and the pathway must form an integrated whole. The pathway must be able to connect the individual cabins, and it must have a unified connection to the bridge. You can find the site plan and the geodetic survey [here](#).**

## BRIDGE DESIGN FOCUS:

**A structural and symbolic connector within the site – celebrating craftsmanship, functionality, and landscape integration.**

### Main requirements:

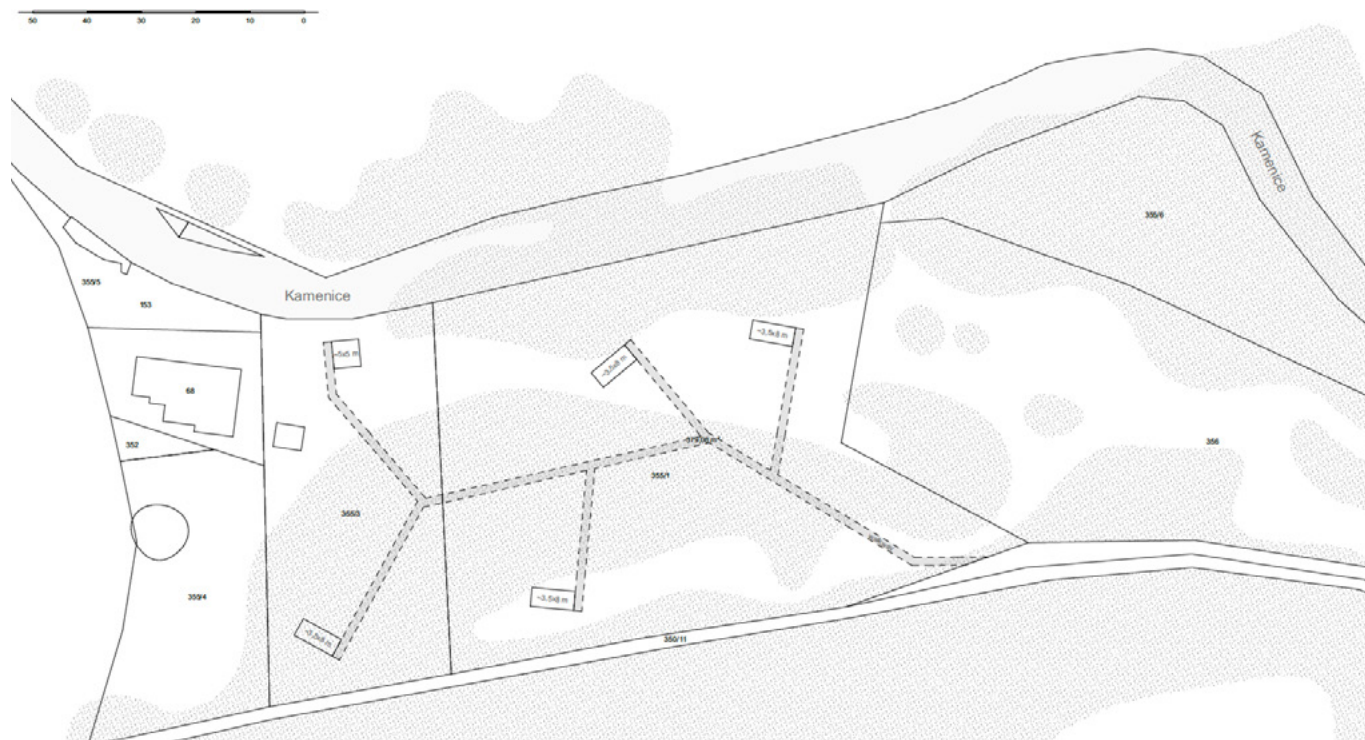
- **Measurements:**  
Length: 12 m  
Walkway width: 2 m
- **Structure:**  
Must be statically feasible and realizable with standard tools and materials available on site

## PATHWAY DESIGN FOCUS:

- **Structure:**  
The pathway is conceived as a modular walkway composed of prefabricated timber elements that can be easily assembled on site. At the connection points, the modules can be custom-built to adapt to the terrain. The structure stands on driven wooden piles and features raw larch decking, ensuring a natural and durable finish.
- **Main requirements:**  
Direction and overall layout follow the attached reference image  
Minimum walkway width: 110 cm  
Elevated 0.5 m above ground level
- **Material:**  
Timber decking (rough larch planks, minimum thickness 2.5 cm)
- **Foundation:**  
Crew pile system or driven wooden posts



**On-site plan for walkway:**





# **© WOOD INSTALLATIONS**

## **DESIGN FOCUS:**

- **Built using max. 1 km of timber (40x40 mm)**
- **Lightweight structure - majority timber construction**
- **Sustainable design**
- **Buildable within the summer school duration**
- **Must be transportable**

**This is your shot to create something legendary.**



# APPLICATION PROCESS

## **I. REGISTER USING THIS FORM – [LINK HERE](#)**

## **II. SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL (OPTIONAL)**

**Got a killer idea?**

**Submit your proposal for a cabin or installation!**

SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Creativity & originality
- Relevance to the Cabin fever vision
- Buildability, portability & sustainability

**What to include:**

### **1. PERSONAL INFO**

- Short bio (max. 150 words)
- Portrait / group photo

### **2. PROJECT PROPOSAL**

- Project Statement (max. 150 words): a summary of your idea
- Project Narrative (max. 400 words): describe function, portability, design concept, and connection to the theme
- Drawings: site plan, floor plan, sections, and diagrams – scale max. 1:500
- Feasibility: 1-page summary of needed tools, materials, safety, maintenance, and costs
- Schedule: short outline of your construction plan and how students will be involved
- Transport Strategy: how your structure will be moved — and what it takes

**Submit your proposal via this form – [link here](#)**

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# PARTICIPATION FEE

**The full program fee for Cabin Fever 2026 is 295 EUR / Person\* in the early bird period.**

This includes:

- Full participation in the summer school (design & build program)
- Access to all lectures, workshops, and cultural events
- Daily meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner)
- Tools, materials, and safety gear for the construction
- Place for tents
- Concerts and parties
- Official Cabin Fever merch t-shirt
- 1 km of materials (if your team builds a selected proposal)
- Transfer to the camp (between Děčín train station and Česká Kamenice)
- A Hello Wood Summer School certificate
- Official confirmation for university summer practice (2 weeks) for students
- Lifetime membership in the International Builders Society + badge
- Professional photo and video documentation
- Participation in the opening and closing ceremonies
- A lifetime supply of good vibes and memories

Special discounts available:

- Alumni discount: 5% off for those who have participated in any previous Hello Wood camp
- Student discount: 5% off for currently enrolled students
- Team discount: 10% off per person for groups of 10 or more participants

**We know it's an investment — but we promise, it's going to be one of the most rewarding experiences of your life!**

*\* Early bird participation fee is 295 EUR/person until January 23.  
The regular participation fee is 395 EUR/person until March 30.*



# SCHEDULE

## **Dec 31**

Deadline for early bird registration  
Deadline for proposal submission (optional)

## **Jan 9**

Final day for notifying all selected student participants. During the application period, applications are reviewed continuously, and confirmations are sent after each portfolio evaluation. Accepted applicants can pay the participation fee any time after receiving their confirmation.

## **Jan 16**

Announcement of the winning proposals

## **Jan 23**

Deadline for transferring the early bird camp participation fee (295EUR/person)  
(All payment details will be shared with the selected applicants.)

## **Feb 2-28**

Regular registration period

## **March 9**

Final day for notifying all selected student participants.

## **March 30**

Deadline for transferring the camp participation fee (395EUR/person)  
(All payment details will be shared with the selected applicants.)

## **July 20-28**

Cabin Fever 2026 International Summer School and Festival for Architecture





# YOU WROTE:

**"It felt like one big family by the end — a memorable experience to say the least! Such a great group of people, and the staff were incredibly friendly. The builds were challenging, and I still can't believe we managed to get so much done in just one week! Loved it and hope to come back again next year!"**

— Julie, 28, France

**"Thanks so much for making my last summer holiday an unforgettable one, Hello Wood!"**

— Mark, 27, USA

**"I believe many countries need democratic platforms like Hello Wood. I experienced real collaboration there. In today's world, people are becoming more and more isolated in cities, making it hard to encounter different political perspectives and ideas. That's why Hello Wood is not just an architecture summer school. My time at the project village was truly valuable and meaningful. Thank you!"**

— Isabela, 25, Brazil

**"Thanks so much for all the years of organizing, Hello Wood — this is where I met my wife."**

— Nam, 32, Vietnam







# LET'S BUILD!



**If you have any further questions or concerns,  
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