



JEFF LEATHAM, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AT FOUR SEASONS HOTEL GEORGE V, DECORATED AS A KNIGHT OF THE ORDER OF ARTS AND LETTERS.

On 3 November 2014, in the sumptuous surroundings of the Château de Versailles and in the company of his family, Jeff Leatham, Artistic Director at Four Seasons Hotel George V, received the medal of “Chevalier de l’Ordre des Arts et des Lettres” from the Château’s director, Catherine Pégard.

This distinction crowns a career devoted to floral art in all its forms. The highly creative and visionary Leatham has lent his talents to Four Seasons Hotel George V since it reopened in 1999. With his team of nine, he produces decorative floral displays for the luxury hotel on a daily basis. From majestic bouquets of lilies in monumental vases to a bed of roses floating in a colored-glass cube, his compositions are all intensely modern in spirit, with stylized forms designed to enhance the beauty of the building’s architecture.

His talent and renown have spread beyond French borders, leading him to work on international events such as the evening reopening launch of MOMA in New York and the closing ceremony of the Athens Olympic Games. He has also composed the floral decorations of private gatherings such as the weddings of Tina Turner, Chelsea Clinton and Eva Longoria, and regularly participates in high-profile events featuring the likes of Kylie Minogue, Madonna, Oprah Winfrey and the Dalai Lama and for luxury brands such as Louis Vuitton, Bulgari and Balenciaga.

Leatham, a native of Ogden, Utah, worked as a model for three years before taking up floral design—a choice influenced by his father, a landscape architect at the time. Drawing inspiration from his experience in the fashion world and luxury sector, his style is today acclaimed worldwide.

“It is an immense pleasure and a great honour to be made Chevalier de l’Ordre des Arts et des Lettres,” says Jeff Leatham. “It is a decoration that touches me deeply, coming as I publish my third book, Jeff Leatham: Visionary Floral Art and Design, with Rizzoli. It symbolises an enduring passion that continues to inspire me to invent and create new ways to enhance the magnificence of Four Seasons Hotel George V.”

The Jeff Leatham Experience : <https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=10152730698044119&set=vb.208603104118&type=3&theater>