



Open Call for the SAFest Summer Academy Festival 2024

16-20 July 2024, Udine, Italy

Application deadline: 30 April, 2024

The Civica Accademia d'Arte Drammatica "Nico Pepe", a member of the ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education, is thrilled to announce the call for application of the SAFest Summer Academy Festival 2024. This exciting event is scheduled to take place in Udine from July 16th to July 20th, 2024. The focal theme of SAFest FESTIVAL 2024 is "The Fire of Passion."

The ethos of SAFest FESTIVAL 2024 revolves around the profound belief in the significance of mutual knowledge exchange and the sharing of experiences. Theatre, entrenched in tradition and history across the globe, serves as a conduit for direct human interaction and artistic expression. Opening avenues for our students and institutions to explore new horizons nourishes creativity and fosters the emergence of thought-provoking questions, thereby stimulating individual, human, and artistic growth.

SAFest offers a distinctive immersion into the realm of Italian theatre, deeply rooted in the vibrant traditions of Commedia dell'Arte and traditional Italian Theatre. Students and professors alike will have the invaluable opportunity to interact with esteemed guest professors and delve into a myriad of teaching methodologies. From the artistry of Improvisation to the physicality of theatre and the nuanced complexities of mask acting, this program promises an enriching exploration of theatrical practices.

Each participating school is encouraged to conduct a master class, ensuring that the festival becomes a true melting pot of exchange and enrichment. We firmly believe that exposure to diverse training methods will undoubtedly contribute to the artistic growth of all participants.

Furthermore, beyond the confines of the theatre, SAFest offers an enchanting cultural excursion to the mesmerizing city of Venice (Maybe on 21 July). This excursion promises to elevate the overall experience for both students and professors, providing a unique opportunity to immerse oneself in the beauty and history of one of the world's most captivating cities.

In the spirit of collaboration and anticipation, we invite your esteemed institution to express immediate interest in participating in SAFest. Each school's participation includes a class of ten students and one or two accompanying teachers.

Your consideration of this invitation is deeply appreciated, and the possibility of welcoming your esteemed institution to SAFest is eagerly anticipated. A declaration of your interest at your earliest convenience is kindly requested. Please note that each university or theatrical academy group will be invited to present a short essay of their work/composition, with a duration of minutes.

A positive response is eagerly awaited, and the **application deadline is 30 April, 2024.**