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Left: Russel Maliphant Company, UK - 6th Amman Contemporary Dance Festival Right: Second regional theatre based Y-PEER training

Activities of the Jordan Centre of ITI

World Theatre Day Celebration 2014

On the 26th of March under the Patronage of H.E. Lana Mamkegh the Minister of Culture, NCCA in cooperation with the Artists Union and Al Ma'mal 612 Think Factory celebrated World Theatre Day which included:

- Welcoming speech by Lina Attel, Secretary General of ITI Jordan and presentation of plaques of recognition and appreciation for the Pioneer in theatre Margo Malatijlian and pioneer in dance Rania Kamhawi in addition to four previous theatre and dance students of NCCA who have become professional and distinguished in their fields Rakeen Selawi, Rawan Barakat, Attieh al Mahameed and Ruba Abu Sabha
- Reading of the Message of Author Brett Bailey in Arabic by Sawsan Darwaza President of ITI Jordan.
- · Speech by the Minister of Culture.
- Performance of the play "Cotton Candy" by the National Interactive Theatre Group.
- Contemporary dance show, by MISK Dance Company - choreographed by Ms. Rania Kamhawi
- · Attendance 200 people.

The 6th Amman Contemporary Dance Festival / International Dance Day Celebration 2014

From 13 to 25 April, under the patronage of HRH Princess Sana Asem the 6th Amman Contemporary Dance Festival was held at the Royal Cultural Centre with renowned contemporary dance companies from United Kingdom, Norway, Australia, Sweden and Switzerland in a variety of performances for both children and adults.

The International Dance Day Message by Mourad Merzouki was presented in English and Arabic by Rania Kamhawi, Director of the festival and Artistic Director of ITI Jordan. Total Attendance 2310 people

World Theatre Day Message Read in Zaatari Refugee Camp

On the 27th of March, World Theatre Day Message was presented by Sawsan Darwaza, president of ITI Jordan

at Zaatari Refugge Camp on the occasion of staging "King Lear" performed by Syrian children living in the camp, trained and directed by the Syrian Artist Nawar Bulbul. The event was covered by the international media.

Dance Exchange Workshop

On the 28th of April 2014 NCCA in cooperation with King's Academy and Amman National School held a world dance exchange workshop in contemporary dance, partnering and character dance for 70 dancers from high schools and NCCA dance department students, conducted by Waseem Al-razaz, Sevetlana Tahboub and Ryuji Yamaguchi.

The International Dance Day Message by Mourad Merzouki was presented in English and Arabic by Rania Kamhawi, Artistic Director of ITI Jordan.

"Performing Arts for Action"

Regional Theatre Based Y-PEER Training of Trainers (PACT)

From 23 to 31 March, NCCA in cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) held the "Theatre Based PEER Education Training" accredited by ITI for 26 Iraqi participants from the Ministry of Youth and Sport, utilizing theater skills and participatory drama methodology to raise awareness on healthy lifestyles, reproductive health and civic engagement. The training is conducted by NCCA master trainers: Lina Attel, Mohannad Nawaflah and Ghandi Saber, Suzan Al Banawi.

From 19 to 26, May 2014, Second Regional Theatre Based Y-PEER Training of Trainers (PACT) was attended by 25 Y-Peers (aged 19 – 30) from the following countries: Algeria, Tunis, Morocco, Egypt, Oman, Sudan, Libya, Yemen, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Iraq, Palestine and Jordan.

Training Workshop

21 - 27 June 2014, Training workshop was held in Kurdistan.

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