



International Theatre Institute ITI

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ITI Newsletter

Editorial



Performance of the Yi Ethnic Minority Group during the Daliangshan Torch Festival in Xichang 2023

Dear Members and Friends of ITI, dear Readers

The November newsletter is filled with exciting updates from various Centres of ITI. The end of November and December will be a time of celebration, marking the vibrant and dynamic conclusion of 2023. Let's dive into the highlights:

- The newly forming Brazilian Centre of ITI is thrilled to announce the upcoming **Regional Council Meeting of the Americas**, taking place from 8 to 10 November 2023, in conjunction with NEAPFEST Brazil.
- The Chinese Centre of ITI is excited to announce the **5th Daliangshan International Theatre Festival**, happening from 29 November to 10 December 2023 in Xichang, China. Additionally, the **163rd Executive Council Meeting** will be held during the festival on 4 and 5 December.
- The Vietnam Centre of ITI is delighted to announce the **First Vietnam International Performing Arts Festival**, scheduled from 7 to 12 December 2023 in Phan Thiet, Binh Thuan, Vietnam.
- The Zimbabwe Centre of ITI is calling all physical theatre and movement practitioners to participate in the **International Physical and Dance Immersive**, taking place from 18 to 31 August 2024 in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.
- Publication Alert: **Chinese Performing Arts – Issue 7** is now available, focusing on the development and studies of Chuanju, a collaboration project of

Nadeem extends a **special invitation to participate in Ajoka Theatre's International Theatre Festival**, coinciding with the 40th anniversary of the Ajoka theatre.

As the year comes to a close, these events and initiatives reflect the richness and diversity of the global performing arts community. We hope that you have a joyous and fulfilling end of the year, and we look forward to continuing this inspiring journey.

For any further information or inquiries, please contact info@iti-worldwide.org. For sending us your news please use news@iti-worldwide.org. Deadline for the December Newsletter is 30 November.

With fond regards,

Tobias BIANCONE
Director General of ITI

ITI Centres

Brazilian Centre of ITI



Regional Council Meeting of the Americas

The newly forming Brazilian Centre of ITI is excited to announce the upcoming Regional Council meeting of the Americas, taking place from 8 to 10 November, 2023, in conjunction with NEAPFEST Brazil.

During this gathering, representatives from the Americas will convene to develop strategies for international collaboration, focusing on fostering exchange programs, residencies, and the circulation of theatre groups throughout the continent. On behalf of the host, Jefferson Fagundes from Brazil is pleased to welcome the members of ITI

teresa Eyring, USA; Raksak Kongseng, USA; Reynaldo Piniella, USA; Chen Zhongwen, China. Guest: Lloyd Nikadzino, Zimbabwe.

[For the complete press release of NEAPFEST DIÁSPORAS, please click here.](#)

To catch a glimpse of the vibrant NEAPFEST, we invite you to visit our [Instagram page: iti.brazil](#), where you can find captivating photos from the event.

Chinese Centre of ITI



5th Daliangshan International Theatre Festival 2023

29 November to 10 December 2023, Daliangshan, Xichang, China

The highly anticipated fifth edition of the Daliangshan International Theatre Festival is set to take place from 29 November to 10 December in Xichang, the capital of the Liangshan Yi Autonomous Prefecture in Southwest China's Sichuan Province. Themed **"Return and Contemplation"**, the festival aims to reconnect with the fundamental purpose of theater and explore the essence of life. It advocates for the socialization of theatre creation and the democratization of theatre appreciation. The festival will feature a diverse range of activities, including local and international theatre performances, conferences, workshops, and more. This platform will foster multicultural exchange and promote the friendship between nations.

163rd Executive Council Meeting

4 – 5 December 2023, Xichang, Sichuan Province, China

The festival organizers extend a sincere invitation to the members of the Executive Council of the ITI, esteemed experts in the performing arts, to participate in the festival's relevant activities. Furthermore, the 163 Executive Council Meeting will be held from 4 to 5 December during the festival. The meeting presents a valuable opportunity for the first in-person gathering following the Congress, serving as a crucial platform for important deliberations and constructive discussions.

Zimbabwe and French Performance at the Festival

Two performances were recommended by ITI and have been accepted by the festival organizers. These captivating performances were previously presented during the 36th ITI World Congress in Fujairah, UAE: "Zandezi" by the Zimbabwe Theatre Academy and "Le marin perdu" by Faustino Blanchut, Natalia Vallebona, and Scali Tiziano from France and Italy

About the Daliangshan International Theatre Festival

The Daliangshan International Theatre Festival was initiated by Pu Cunxin, famous

scholars. Serving as China's only theatre festival held during the winter season, the Daliangshan International Theatre Festival has become a prominent platform for artistic exchange and exploration. ITI worldwide has been connected with this festival since its inaugural edition in 2019.

For further information, please contact: info@iti-worldwide.org

Vietnam Centre of ITI



First Vietnam International Performing Arts Festival

7 to 12 December 2023, in Phan Thiet, Binh Thuan, Vietnam 2023.

The Vietnam Centre of ITI is thrilled to announce the highly anticipated First World Arts Performing Festival, taking place from 7 to 12 December 2023 in Phan Thiet, Binh Thuan, Vietnam in December 2023. This global event aims to foster creative connections and has already attracted the registration of approximately 16 international art troupes from 5 continents. Additionally, art troupes showcasing the essence of Vietnamese art from various regions of Vietnam will be in attendance.

Over the course of 5 days, the festival will feature a diverse range of events, including the Opening Ceremony, Peace Music Festival, International Art Troupe Performances, Community Performances, Street Festival, Fashion Show, International Conference, and the grand Ending Ceremony. One of the highlights of the festival is the direct interaction between artists and the audience.

This festival plays a significant role in the development of cultural and tourism values in Phan Thiet City and Binh Thuan province as a whole. Furthermore, it contributes to the establishment of an international Art and Culture brand in Binh Thuan, showcasing the region's vibrant artistic heritage to the world.



Call for International Physical and Dance Immersive 2024

18 - 31 August 2024, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

The Zimbabwe Centre of ITI is excited to announce the opening of applications for the [International Physical and Dance Immersive](#). This immersive event will take place from 18 to 31 August 2024 in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe. Join it as physical theatre and movement practitioners from across the globe gather to connect with the rich artistic heritage of the African continent.

This immersive experience welcomes tastemakers, educators, dancers, directors, designers, and performers of all levels of stage experience. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in joyful and practical exploration, deepening their artistic voice. Emphasizing the body as a tool for authentic and dynamic physical theater and movement performances, participants will be inspired by a dynamic environment that nurtures creativity.

Please note that seats are limited. To apply, kindly send an expression of interest to admissions@zimtheatreacademy.co.zw. The deadline for submissions is **January 31st, 2024**.

For more information, please contact admissions@zimtheatreacademy.co.zw, with the subject: Africa and its Diaspora: Physical Theatre and Dance Immersive.

Don't miss this exceptional opportunity to be part of an immersive journey that celebrates the power of physical expression and the richness of African artistry.



Chinese Performing Arts – Issue 7

Focuses on the development and the studies of Chuanju

The International Theatre Institute ITI and the Shanghai Theatre Academy, member of ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts, are pleased to announce that the 7th issue of Chinese Performing Arts Journal is now available. The magazine covers the topics of today's stage in China, the spreading of Chinese Theatre and the introduction of Chinese plays and artists. This 7th issue focuses on the development and the studies of the traditional Xiqu art form Chuanju.

[>>Click here to read or download the articles.](#)

Special Invitation from Shahid Nadeem



Invitation to Participate in Ajoka Theatre's International Theatre Festival 2024

2nd Week of November 2024, Lahore, Pakistan.

invitation to your esteemed theatre group to participate in the Ajoka Theatre's International Theatre Festival, coinciding with the **40th Anniversary of the Ajoka Theatre**. This grand event is scheduled to take place during the second week of November 2024 in the historically rich city of Lahore, Pakistan. The festival aims to celebrate the transformative power of art by bringing together international theatre groups.

The festival will serve as a platform for artists, directors, and playwrights from around the world to showcase their compelling stories, unique visions, and creative excellence. It promises to be a vibrant and engaging gathering, uniting diverse cultures and perspectives through the medium of theatre.

[To learn more about this exclusive invitation, please click here.](#)

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ITI Newsletter December 2023

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