



International Theatre Institute ITI

World Organization for the Performing Arts

ITI Newsletter



Fighting Between Dragon and Tiger, dance performance of South Korea, during the International Dance Day 2023

Dear Members and Friends of ITI, dear Readers

Welcome to the October edition of the ITI Newsletter, where you find the latest news and updates from the International Theatre Institute (ITI). Here's a brief overview of what you can expect:

News from Centres of ITI

- The Finnish Centre of ITI, Theatre Info Finland TINFO, has released two new publications: ***Performance and Solidarity (2023)*** and ***Finnish Performing Arts Statistics 2022***. Stay informed with these insightful resources, along with the latest edition of **TINFO e-News Autumn 2023**.
- The Georgian Centre of ITI extends a warm invitation to participate in their upcoming festival, the **Georgian New Theatre Festival and Showcase 2024**.
- The Iranian Centre of ITI announces the **Call for Entry for the 28th International Theatre Festival for Children & Young Adults**. Don't miss this opportunity to showcase your talent on an international stage.

News from the members of ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts

- The Shanghai Theatre Academy is thrilled to announce the upcoming **"Silk Road" Traditional Performing Arts Festival and International Symposium**.

enhance your artistic skills.

Join the World Mime Organization, an ITI partner organization, for an engaging **Online Round Table & Open Discussion on "The Importance of Physical Theatre in World Theatre."**

In Memoriam

Finally, it is with deep sadness that you are informed of the passing of **Rathna Pushpa Kumari**, an esteemed ITI colleague from Sri Lanka. Rathna Pusphpa Kumari was a dedicated member of the International Playwrights' Forum and a passionate advocate for youth theatre in her country. She will be greatly missed.

Stay tuned for more updates and exciting news in the world of theatre and performing arts. Thank you for being a part of the vibrant community of ITI.

With fond regards,

Tobias BIANCONE
Director General of ITI

ITI Centres

Finnish Centre of ITI

Theatre Info Finland TINFO: New Publications

Theatre Info Finland TINFO (Finish Centre of the International Theatre Institute ITI) has two new publications out that are available online and will be of interest for the ITI Centers and friends and members of ITI

Performance and Solidarity (2023)

AND SOLIDARITY

Theatre Info Finland TINFO is excited to announce the launch of Performance and Solidarity, a brand-new collection of essays and other pieces. The publication is written from a distinctively Finnish vantage point, but the hope of guest editors **Maria Säkö** and **Heidi Backström** is that it will inspire free and open debate on the theatrical arts that is truly international in its scope and firmly committed to solidarity.

[>>Click here to know more about the publications.](#)

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For more information, contact Theatre Info Finland TINFO at tinfo@tinfo.fi

Finnish Performing Arts Statistics 2022

Esittävän taiteen tilastot



Teatterin, tanssin ja sirkuksen vuosi

2022



The Finnish Performing Arts Statistics (in Finnish *Esittävän taiteen tilastot: Teatterin, tanssin ja sirkuksen vuosi 2022*) presents some of the most extensive performing arts statistics in the world on theatre, dance, and circus. Statistics on theatre have been collected in Finland since 1944, which today enables the study on changes within the field over the course of almost 80 years. Theatre Info Finland TINFO, the Finnish Centre of ITI has been responsible for the data collection since 1995. TINFO publishes statistics from the previous year annually in August. The publication is in Finnish, with a summary (pages 34-36) and select titles in English.

[>>Click here to know more about the publications.](#)

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

For more information, contact Theatre Info Finland TINFO at tinfo@tinfo.fi

TINFO e-News Autumn 2023



The Theatre Info Finland TINFO (Finish Centre of ITI) is delighted to share its latest Autumn 2023 Newsletter. [To read TINFO's Newsletter, please click here.](#)



Georgian New Theatre Festival and Showcase 2024

1 to 4 February 2024 / Tbilisi, Georgia

The Georgian Centre of ITI is thrilled to announce the inaugural edition of the Georgian New Theatre Festival and Showcase (GNTFS), taking place from 1 to 4 February 2024 in the vibrant city of Tbilisi, Georgia. This exceptional event is in partnership with the Georgian Centre of International Theatre Institute ITI, European Festival Association EFFE South Caucasus Hub, Arts Research Institute of Georgia.

We cordially invite festival directors, programmers, and tour organizers to join us for the first edition of the Georgian New Theatre Festival and Showcase in 2024. This is a unique opportunity to discover the diverse and captivating performances of Georgian New Theatre. Whether you are interested in bringing these exceptional productions to your country or organizing events featuring Georgian New Theatre, we eagerly await your presence in Tbilisi, Georgia.

First Time 3 generations of Georgian Theatre Directors at the Georgian New Theatre and international projects, in one showcase, best performances, roundtable-meetings with directors and actors, discussions about cooperation and exchanges, presentations.

[>>Click here to know more detailed information about the festival.](#)

[>>Click here to download the Registration form for participation.](#)

Submission Deadline: **20 December 2023**

For any further information please contact us: internationaloffice@newtheatre.ge

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https://www.instagram.com/vaso_abashidze_new_theatre/

<https://www.facebook.com/StateNewTheatre/>

Iranian Centre of ITI



Call for Entry of 28th International Theatre Festival for Children & Young Adults

The Iranian Centre of ITI, Dramatic Arts Centre of Iran (DAC) is pleased to inform you that the 28th International Theatre Festival for Children & Young Adults will take place from **20 to 27 February 2024** in historical city Ardakan, Yazd Province, Iran.

The festival strives to accomplish several key objectives, including fostering social participation among children and teenagers, enhancing public culture, strengthening family bonds, promoting intergenerational connections, teaching citizenship, and nurturing a sense of responsibility. It offers a unique platform for this influential and dynamic group within society, allowing them to actively engage in the production of theatrical works.

The Iranian Centre kindly requests information regarding your company's new production. Please submit your application to dramatic.artcenter.iran@gmail.com by the deadline of **6 December, 2023**. The selection committee will announce the invited international guest performances through the international affairs office of the Dramatic Arts Centre. Your cooperation and prompt response are greatly appreciated. [More information about the Festival in English.](#)

[**>>Please click here to download Application Form.**](#)

ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts

Shanghai Theatre Academy



“Silk Road” Traditional Performing Arts Festival and International Symposium

29 October - 4 November 2023, Shanghai, China

The Shanghai Theatre Academy, member of the ITI/UNESCO Network for Higher Education in the Performing Arts, is delighted to announce the upcoming "Silk Road" Traditional Performing Arts Festival and International Symposium. This highly anticipated event will take place from 29 October to 4 November 2023 in the vibrant city of Shanghai, China.

The festival promises an exciting lineup of activities, including thought-provoking conferences, enlightening seminars, captivating performance demonstrations, and immersive workshops. It serves as a platform for artists, scholars, and enthusiasts from around the world to come together, exchange ideas, and celebrate the rich heritage of traditional performing arts along the ancient Silk Road.

If you have any questions, please contact: sta_international@163.com

World Theatre Training Institute AKT-ZENT/ITI

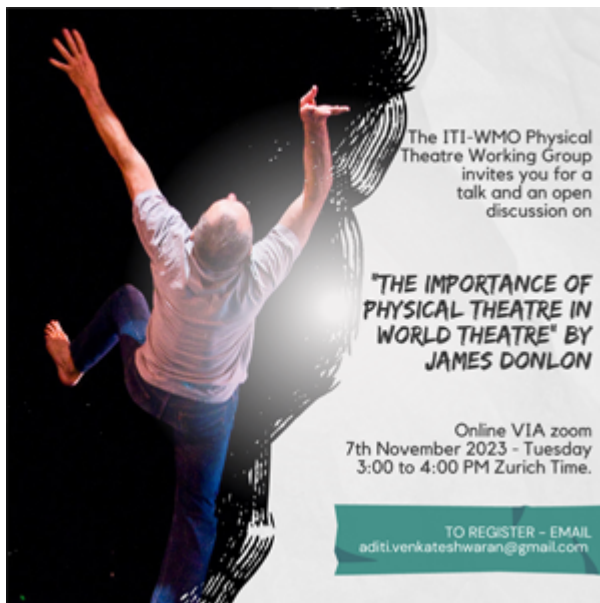


Autumn Programme 2023

The World Theatre Training Institute AKT-ZENT / ITI is delighted to unveil its autumn programme for 2023. Starting from the end of October, various online seminars for acting, directing and teaching will begin online for the first time, there will also be a course for young artists before their studies or first engagement. [To access comprehensive details and learn more about this exciting opportunity, please click here.](#)

ITI Partner Organizations

World Mime Organization



Online Round Table & Open Discussion: The Importance of Physical Theatre in World Theatre

Tuesday, 7 November 2023 / 3:00 to 4:00 PM (Zurich Time)

The ITI-WMO Physical Theatre Working Group invites you for a round table and an open discussion to be conducted online via zoom on **Tuesday, 7 November 2023 - 3:00 to 4:00 pm Zurich Time**. The group aims at providing a dialogue to identify - platforms for international cooperation, artistic projects, research, discussions, development and promotion of the physical theatre and artistic expression. It also aims at initiating networking, collaboration, exchange, education,

The focus of this session would be a talk on **"The Importance of Physical Theatre in World Theatre"** by **James Donlon**.

[>>Please click here to know more about the event.](#)

To register for the session kindly [click here](#)

For more information please get in touch with Aditi on aditi.venkateshwaran@gmail.com

Obituary



Rathna Pushpa Kumari

Rathna Pushpa Kumari, the dedicated ITI colleague from Sri Lanka, passed away on 27 May 2023, at the age of 61, after a lengthy illness. Rathna Pushpa Kumari was passionate about theatre and offering opportunities to the youth of her country. She was a strong supporter of the International Playwrights' Forum IPF and participated in the ITI World Congress of ITI in Segovia, Spain.

[>>Please click here to read the full obituary.](#) written by the Ursula Werdenberg (General Secretary IPF) and Talia Pura (Board Member IPF).

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ITI Newsletter November 2023

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