



Celebrate the Year of the Greatest Mimes 2023

The year 2023 is very important for the world of mime, physical theatre and dance, therefore for a huge number of performers and creators around the world.

2023 marks the 100th years of the birth of the legendary French mime Marcel Marceau (born on 22 March 1923) an 125th years of the birth of the “father of modern mime” Etienne Decroux (born on 19 July 1898) . That is why the members of the World Mime Organization (WMO) have unanimously decided to officially declare the year of 2023 as

THE YEAR OF THE GREATEST MIMES

2023 will be a worldwide celebration of the 100th birthday of Marcel Marceau and the 125th birthday of Etienne Decroux.

Numerous mime artists, creators, educators, researchers and institutions around the world intensify their work through performing, teaching and promoting mime. They will educate and entertain the audience, inspire communities and engage local and national governments, theaters, cultural institutions and media.

The World Mime Organisation recommends that all the programmes as part of the worldwide network of events celebrating The Year of The Greatest Mimes, are free of charge.

The World Mime Organisation aims to have mime prosper at all times in any form, media or space. It respects all forms, styles, techniques, teachings, schools, philosophies and personalities of mime without judging.

The birthday of the legendary Marcel Marceau is also the day that was chosen for World Mime Day - 22 March.

To honour the two great mime artists and mime educators, the International Theatre Institute ITI, the world's largest organization for the performing arts, has given its patronage for THE YEAR OF THE GREATEST MIMES.

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