



International Theatre Institute ITI
World Organization for the Performing Arts

ITI Newsletter



Editorial



All the General Secretariat team of ITI in Shanghai wishes you a Happy Lunar New Year, the Year of the Dog! We are very happy to announce that the Arabic version of the website is now online. You may have a look here: <https://www.iti-worldwide.org/arab/iti.html>

It will help to strengthen our relations with theatre enthusiasts across the Arabic-speaking world, and provide much needed information to Arabophone actors, directors, students and so on. The Russian and Spanish Versions are being created and should be online by the end of the month.

World Theatre Day

World Theatre Day 2018

The five messages for World Theatre Day 2018 are [>>available on the website herein](#) in different languages.

We kindly remind you to translate all the messages into your language(s) and send us the translated version (including the name of the translator). The detailed programme of the main celebration at UNESCO in Paris will be communicated soon. Please send your translation to: malory.domecyn@iti-worldwide.org



Call for Videos of the World Theatre Day Messages 2018

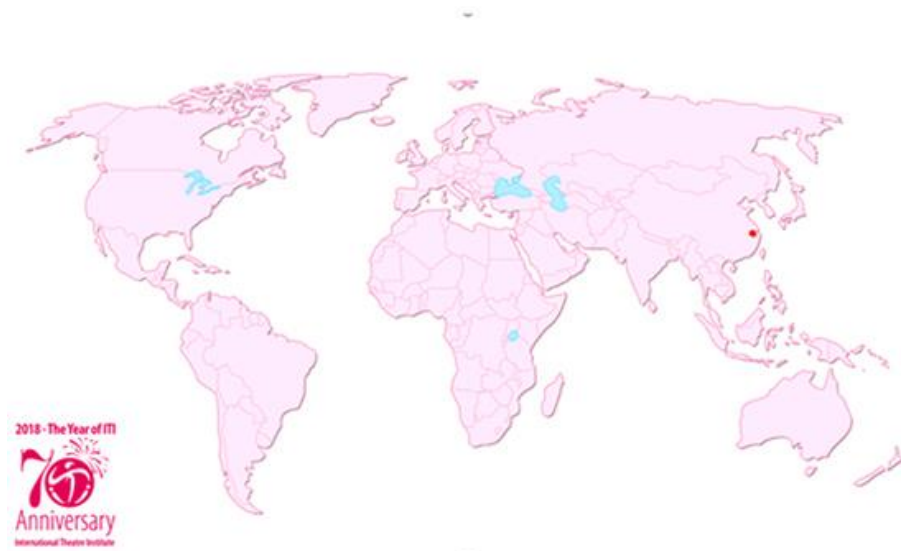
As you may know, this year is The Year of ITI, celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the organization founding. To mark this occasion, we have tried to make this year's WTD celebration extra special, by selecting 5 message authors for the event. The Message Authors are: Ram Gopal BAJAJ from India, Maya ZBIB from Lebanon, Simon MCBURNEY from the United Kingdom, Sabina BERMAN from Mexico and Were Were LIKING from Ivory Coast. The General Secretariat would like to take this special opportunity to give our ITI Centres around the world the chance to be actively involved in our plans for WTD 2018. We hope you and your Centre will respond to our calls for Videos, which will increase the visibility of your Centre as well as the theatre community in your country. For this, [>>>please check this Call for Videos of the World Theatre Day Messages 2018](#). To see the videos made in the previous years, [>>>please click here](#).

News

Virtual Maps and Special Calendar for "2018 – The Year of ITI"

We would like to remind you that we created a special calendar for the celebrations of the 70th Anniversary, including a virtual map, which will also be used for the World Theatre Day and International Dance Day celebrations all over the world. We invite all of you to share with us how you plan to celebrate World Theatre Day,

International Dance day and the 70th Anniversary of ITI so that we can upload it for the world to see!



Events

International conference - *The Theatre in/and Conflict Zones*

As part of the celebration of the 70th anniversary of ITI, the Slovak Centre of ITI is organizing an international conference called *The Theatre in/and Conflict Zones* during their annual festival of New Drama - taking place **from 14 to 19 May**. The conference as a special activity of the festival will be held on **17 May 2018**. [>>For more information please click here.](#)



10th Edition of the Market for African Performing Arts

The MASA is a cultural platform which promotes African Performing Arts. Its main objectives are to support creativity and good quality productions, and to facilitate the movement of artists and their works within Africa and throughout the world.

Since its creation in 1993, a festival is organized every two years. This year, from **10 to 17 March** will be the 10th edition of the Market for African Performing Arts (MASA), which will be held in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. [>>For more information please click here.](#)



Global Peace Movement "Not by Force but by Art"

The Global Peace Movement "Not by Force but by Art" is a Music Theatre Arts Peace Concert to be hosted in the Philippines with artists from claimant countries of the conflicted West Philippine Sea/China Sea in Manila from 20 to 23 April. This concert will be complemented with a special International Educational Cultural Forum for Peace and Sustainable Development, with distinguished cultural leaders in the region as the participants. [>>Please click here to read the personal blessing given by the UNESCO Director General Audrey AZOULAY](#) to the President of the Philippines Centre of the International Theatre Institute and Social Change Network of ITI- CIDC, Cecilia Guidote Alvarez, winner of the UNESCO Medal of Peace, and director of the Earthsavers Ensemble honored as Artist for Peace.



Prague Visitors' Programmes

The Czech Centre of ITI, together with Prague theatres and companies, is organizing a special programme for international audiences. Experience Czech independent and progressive theatre, circus and performing arts productions within two packages in May and September 2018. Visit interesting venues and cultural centres, and experience the City of Prague, a popular tourist, cultural and historical destination. From 16 to 19 May 2018: nonverbal, experimental, physical and family theatre shows. From 19 to 22 September 2018: drama and text-based theatre shows.

>>To register please [click here](#). For >>more information please visit this [website](#).



Call for Participation

Call for Papers for the 5th Baku International Theatre Conference

The 5th Baku International Theatre Conference will be held in Baku, Azerbaijan, on 5 and 6 November under the auspices of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism of Azerbaijan Republic, the National Academy of Sciences and the Azerbaijan Union of Theatre Workers. Various master-classes, workshops and training will be on offer from a host of international theatre experts. The main theme of this year's conference, "Philosophy of Theatre in XXI century: the Concept of Existence", will be discussed by more than 150 experts from 40 countries. [>>For more information please click here](#) or contact shaig.mincult.az@gmail.com.





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