

# Activities

## Fujairah UAE Centre of ITI (Arab Countries)

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Opening Ceremony of the  
1st Fujairah International Arts  
Festival FIAF 2016



### Activities 2015

#### 140th ITI Executive Council Session

Fujairah, 20-22 February 2015

Fujairah ITI Centre hosted the 140th ITI EC meeting and session in Fujairah, United Arab Emirates. The sessions were presided by President Mohamed Al Afkham and his Vice-Presidents, and were attended by all Executive Council members.

#### World Theatre Day 2015 Celebration

Fujairah ITI Centre celebrated World Theatre Day by inviting the author of the World Theatre Day message - Polish director Krzysztof Warlikowski - to visit Fujairah and celebrate the event with local artists and theatre experts. The event included a screening of a short film (8 minutes long) by Warlikowski that was followed by a welcoming address delivered by ITI President Mohammed Saif Al Afkham. Krzysztof Warlikowski read the World Theatre Day message in English, and Naji Al Hai read its Arabic translation. The event also included a theatrical performance entitled „Ghadan“ (Tomorrow), produced by Hamad Bin Abdullah High School and featuring a number of its students.

#### 7th Fujairah School Theatre Festival

19-23 April 2015

The 7th cycle of the annual Fujairah Schools Theatre Festival was held during April 2015 and sponsored by H.H. Sheikh Dr. Rashid bin Hamad Al Sharqi, FCMA's Chairman. The festival is organized by Fujairah ITI Centre, FCMA and Fujairah Educational Zone with participation from all the government schools in

Fujairah (both males and females schools). The plays were staged in both Dibba Al Fujairah theatre and the theatre of the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Community Development in Fujairah with a Jury that comprised local and regional theatre experts. The festival ended with an awards ceremony attended by prominent Arab theatre artist Mr. Asaad Fidha.

#### Maintenance works at Dibba Theatre and Monodrama House Theatre

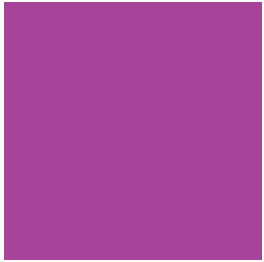
Fujairah ITI Centre funded maintenance works at Dibba Theatre and Monodrama House Theatre in Dibba city. The two theatres were also provided with new lighting and sound systems and equipments.

#### Winners of the 5th Arab Playwriting Award Announced

Organized by Fujairah ITI Centre and FCMA with 167 entries, the 1st prize (USD 15,000) was won by Jordanian Mefleh Al Adwan for the text "Elegy for the Fifth String", 2nd prize (USD 12,000) was won by Egyptian writer Abdul Momen Abdul Aal for the text "Pinocchio the Shepherd", and 3rd prize (USD 8,000) was won by Syrian writer Hussam Hannouf for the text "Room on the Roof". The 1st prize winning text was produced by FCMA and staged as the opening show of the 7th Fujairah International Monodrama Festival. Awards were distributed during the opening ceremony of the 1st Fujairah International Arts Festival.

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Performances of the 7th Fujairah International Monodrama Festival 2016, part of the 1st FIAF



### Activities 2016

- New production in cooperation with Theatre Painted Bird Company "Rumination" – premiered 21/2/2016 as part of Fujairah International Arts Festival.
- New production "Elegy for the Fifth String" – premiered 23/2/2016 as part of Fujairah International Arts Festival.
- Fujairah International Arts Festival, February 19-29: The first edition of the Fujairah International Arts Festival was held during February 2016, and included the 7th Fujairah International Monodrama Festival. The festival began with a dance theatre show titled "Rise of Glory" and from 20-28 February fourteen monodrama shows from 11 countries were performed.
- Hosted the 142nd ITI EC meeting and the Joint Committees-EC meeting during the Fujairah International Arts Festival on 21/2/2016 and 22/2/2016.
- Hosted the first ITI Arab Council meeting on 23/2/2016 during which the Arab Regional Office of ITI was announced.
- The winner of the Fujairah "Valery Khazanov" Monodrama Award was Mr Pip Utton for his show "Playing Maggie" which was staged at the Dibba Theatre during the 7th Fujairah International Monodrama Festival. ITI President Mohamed Al Afkham and H.E. Thani bin Ahmad Al Zeyoudi, the UAE Minister of Environment, presented the award.

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