International Theatre Institute ITI

World Organization for the Performing Arts

UNESCO 1 rue Miollis 75732 Paris Cedex 15 / France ITI Headquarters 1332 Xinzha Road, Jing'an Shanghai / China 200040



To all the members and friends of ITI

UNESCO, Paris & Shanghai, 24 March 2020

Open Call to Share Your Voice of Love, Encouragement and Support

Dear members and friends of ITI

The current global pandemic shakes the world with anxiety, fear and even hatred. It is time for every one of us to be active and to use the best tools we have – the dialogue and communication that is inherent in the performing arts to go through this global health crisis.

The General Secretariat is receiving a lot of words of love, encouragement and support from all parts of the world, and all these letters deserve to have more readers.

The General Secretariat will create a particular page on ITI main page (www.iti-worldwide.org) where everybody can hear, see and experience all the encouragement that we received.

We also invite you to join us. Please share your voice of love, encouragement and support to the people. Please touch the people with your creativity, please use your positive energy to bring light into the darkness...

Your statement can be a letter, a fragment of a performance, a drawing, a picture - anything that you would like to share with others to show them your care, your encouragement or support.

If you have any best practice for how to use the performing arts these days, please let us know too.

Please send everything to chen.simin@iti-worldwide.org cc: info@futuracom.ch

Please stay safe and healthy. Please help others in your vicinity with your creativity and necessary actions.

Let us be united and go through this challenging time together.

With warm regards.

The Team of the General Secretariat of ITI Tobias, Zhongwen, Yiming, Simin/Nancy, Yankun/Catherine, Juncai/Robin & Thibault