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^{**}Disclaimer: This report contains summaries of the activities organized in each country that participated in Commedia dell'Arte Day in 2010. The summaries have been compiled by SAT association based on reports received by the coordinator 'Faction of Fools' and Local Organizes.





Commedia dell'Arte Day is a global celebration of the tradition of Commedia dell'Arte promoted by **SAT** cultural association as an action of the project '**incommedia.it**'.

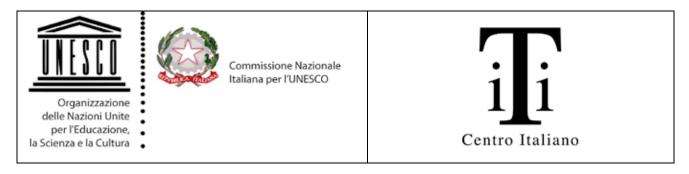
'incommedia.it' is an information centre and a video archive of Commedia dell'Arte managed by the holders of this tradition.

The Commedia dell'Arte Day has been established in 2010 to be celebrated every 25 february.

The goals of Commedia dell'Arte Day are to:

- promote the knowledge of the Commedia dell'Arte tradition
- stimulate the sharing of expertises and the awareness of different expressions related to the Commedia dell'Arte tradition
- demonstrate the existence of a linked, international (trasborders) community of Commedia dell'Arte practitioners

The Commedia dell'Arte Day 2010 has been realized under the aegis of:



The Commedia dell'Arte Day has his central event in Italy, each year in a different city and with a different local organizer. A SAT task group is in charge of prepare the celebration program and the location within the local organizer.

The task group together with the international coordinating member 'Faction of Fools Theatre Company' form the International Committe.

Every artist or company in the world planning an event to celebrate the Commedia dell'Arte Day is a 'local organizer'. Only the local organizers who communicated to SAT their projects or submitted their reports are listed in this report.

Commedia dell'Arte Day 2010 central event has been organized in Bologna in charge of 'Fraternal Compagnia' (see detail in the countries list).

2010 COMMEDIA DELL'ARTE DAY HIGHLIGHTS

Being the event open to everyone, some organizations celebrated it without take contact with SAT. To SAT knowledge, in 2010, over 85 organisations in more than 23 countries participated at the Commedia dell'Arte Day, with 86 events in 69 cities in 6 continents and using 20 languages (plus dialects).

Highlights of Commedia dell'Arte Day 2010 activities include:

Bologna, Italy

The flagship event of the 2010 Commedia dell'Arte Day organized by La Fraternal Compagnia. A day of workshops, lectures and performances by many of Europe's leading practitioners.

In Ankara, Turkey

Ankara State Opera and Ballet Theatre, Ankara State Theatre, TOBAV (Association of Performing Arts), and Ankara Italian Culture Institute presented Press conferences, lectures, and articles about Commedia dell'Arte Day Ankara Üniversitesi D.T.C.F Tiyatro Bölümü. Melaat Özgü Sahnesi presented Workshops in Commedia dell'Arte.

Canal B presented International television coverage of Commedia dell'Arte Day Turkish Radio and Television (TRT) presented International television and radio coverage of Commedia dell'Arte Day events

In Australia:

Adelaide, Interform Theatre Company presented a Workshops in Commedia dell'Arte and Slapstick and a preview performance of the modern Commedia-burlesque show iSize

with the partecipation of 2 practitioners, 37 workshop students, 60 audience members

Brisbane, Forest Lake State High School presented Schoolwide Guerrilla Commedia dell'Arte with Year 12 Drama Students with the partecipation of 1 theatre teacher, 12 student performers, 200 audience members

Queensland, Lightwire Theatrical Productions presented a Commedia workshops with Indooroopilly SHS and Cooloola Christian College, Continuing work on the forthcoming teaching manual *The Spirit of the Mask*, and *The Australasian* Commedia dell'Arte Festival.



Commedia dell'Arte Day 2010 Message by Dario Fo

It is a well-known fact that by the end of the 16th centuintensified repression of the Counter Reformation gave a virtual diaspora of Italian theatre companies, forcing hundreds of actors and their families to relocate all ove Europe, including into Germany, France, and England. renowned English researcher, Professor Christopher Caistates: "Without the encounters with Italian actors, Elizabethan theater—including the works of Shakespea would have never been born."

Therefore we shouldn't marvel that in King Lear the Fool tells the deposed king: "Thou shouldst not have been old till thou hadst been wise." This is a wonderful concept, taken directly from a line by Ruzzante, father of comic acting, in his play, Betia.

Many have found it paradoxical that expressions and concepts derived from the Humanist movement in Italy made their way to England by the end of the same century. Instead this cultural transit is not improbable in the least but has been more than documented by a particular event. Let me explain.

One must remember that it was during Ruzzante's time that a virtual revolution exploded in Germany, Martin Luther's famous Reformation: a heretical movement that swept through Europe, striking Italy with such incredible violence that the Roman Catholic Church was at first too stunned to react. All of a sudden people almost expected to see the Pope hurled from his throne. In effect, a great climate of panic ensued. But, then, with firm resolve, the Church reacted and launched the Counter Reformation, conceived at the Council of Trent. It was the Church's intention, first of all, to free itself from the notoriously unacceptable aspects of its management, as Martin Luther very justly denounced in his sermons, such as speculation on the sale of relics and the marketing of indulgences as well as blatant clerical corruption. At the same time, the Church desired to block unwaveringly the impetus of the innovators: to put a stop to the disputes and embarassments of the clerics.

The contrast of ideas—or, better, the conflict of ideas—was unacceptable, as was any kind of expression representing an obstacle to the Church's Counter Reformation. The theatre, first and foremost, with its subversive energy and its ease in communicating new concepts to the lower classes, absolutely had to be squelched.

About a hundred companies of Commedia dell'Arte actors were forced to flee their native land of Italy over the next quarter century, giving rise to an authentic artistic revolution in the world of theatre abroad. In this forced diaspora, the companies brought with them not only props and scenery but also the works of 15th-century Italian playwrights: Calmo, Folengo, Bibbiena, Ariosto, Machiavelli, Della Porta, and Aretino as well as nearly all of Ruzzante's comedies.

At least one hundred or more of the original companies from Naples, Rome, Venice, Florence, and other important Italian cities left for France, England, Spain, Germany, and even Eastern Europe, including Russia. Their arrival in the town squares around Europe was met with incredible enthusiasm from those new audiences. Intellectuals, the ruling class, the bourgeoisie, and even the lower classes took to these performances with great zeal. It is truly amazing to realize that, following the theatre troupes' exodus, architects, scientists, merchants, and navigators also began to abandon Italy in turn. Thus, the most important philosophical movement, from which Humanism and the Renaissance had developed, spread from Italy to the most vital cities of Europe, leaving a great void in its wake. As Giambattista Vico, noted philosopher and father of the New Science, said: Both positive and disastrous moments in the history of mankind repeat themselves in cycles so that often a person may, at one moment, appear extraordinarily serious and important and may suddenly, at another, become a tragic scoundrel. Yes, we are alluding to Italy's perennial economic and moral crises, not to mention its political ones!

EUROPE

ITALY Bologna Local organizer(s)

La Fraternal Compagnia

The flagship event



Contact: Tania Passarini tania.passarini@yahoo.it

Number of Participants: 2000 students during the preliminary schools formative classes, 350 audience, 70 operators

Performing classes in six Secondary Schools (2000 students) during the three months of preparation of the event by the local organizer. On February 25th: six classes in Secondary schools by the SAT companies, three professional workshops for theatre students and actors, two workshops on mask making and scenic design for Commedia dell'Arte at the Academy of Beaux Arts, a Forum with representatives of the University (Roberto Tessari, Gerardo Guccini), Institutions (Nuccio Messina: ITI) and SAT members. with a final evening jam session at Dehon Theatre with nine companies (audience 350 people). Workshops by Antonio Fava, Carlo Boso, Michele Modesto Casarin, Luca Rossi, Mario Gallo, Francesco Gigliotti, Massimo Macchiavelli, Mauro Piombo. Masks atelier by Stefano Perocco di Meduna, and Piero Ottusi. Forum with Roberto Tessari, Gerardo Guccini, Nuccio Messina, Luciano Brogi. Performances by Pantakin da Venezia, Imago Mundi, Santibriganti, Kalambur, AIDAS, Carro dei Comici, Opera Prima, ArsComica and Metateatro.

www.fraternalcompagnia.it

	Pordenone	Local organizer(s) Scuola Sperimentale dell'Attore
		Contact:
		Ferruccio Merisi – Claudia Contin
		contact@arlecchinoerrante.com
Performance 'Lo Zanr	ni che danza'	
		www.arlecchinoerrante.com

Rome	Local organizer(s) COMPA' (Commedianti per l'Arte)
	Contact: Andrea Lorenzo andrealorenzo_a@libero.it

Performance 'Equivoci con sorpresa' in the Domus Talenti

Rome Local organizer(s)

Compagnia dell'IppogrifoMTM MimoTeatroMovimento

Contact: Lydia Biondi lidiabiondi@tiscalinet.it

Commedia dell'Arte introductory workshop by Lydia Biondi

www.mimoteatromovimento.it

www.kleine-academie.be

Ragusa

Local organizer(s)

La Compagnia GODOT

Teatro Studio Maschera

Contact: Fabrizio Paladin

fabriziopaladin@yahoo.it

Commedia dell'Arte workshop by Fabrizio Paladin

BELGIUM	Bruxelles	Local organizer(s) Kleine Academie	
		Contact: Guillaume Le Marre lomic2003@hotmail.com	
Une Lecture de la commedia suivi d'un Canevas mis en scène			

ENGLAND	London	Local organizer(s) Tibia & Fibula
		Contact: Didi Hopkins and Stevie Thompson purplestevie@hotmail.com

Celebrating International Commedia Day in London: Five practical workshops in elements of Commedia

www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=254885576748

Brighton	Local organizer(s) Upstairs Theatre Company
	Contact: Graham Shackell sometimesoonarts@yahoo.co.uk

Commedia dell'Arte workshop

Radio Free Brighton web radio coverage of international Commedia dell'Arte Day events

www.facebook.com/?ref=home - !/group.php?gid=232145064286 www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=302400365069&ref=ts radiofreebrighton.org.uk Eastwood Local organizer(s)

Eastwood Comprehensive School

Contact: Kerry Mason kerrymason_2000@yahoo.ie

Commedia dell'Arte class for Year 10 BTEC Drama Group Number of Participants: 21

www.eastwood-comp.notts.sch.uk

FRANCE Orleans Local organizer(s)

Krizo Théâtre

Contact: Christophe Thébault

krizotheatre@yahoo.fr

Soutien pour la commedia avec exposition de masques et répétition publique de L'île des esclaves de Mariyaux

lekrizotheatre.free.fr

GERMANY Landkreis Local organizer(s)

Oberhavel Oberschule mit Grundschulteil

Löwenberg

Contact: Sylvia Zietze Sylvia.Zietze@gmx.de

Oberschule mit Grundschulteil Löwenberg presents: Student written and performed pieces utilizing characters of Commedia dell'Arte throughout the month of February

www.oberschule-loewenberg.de

HUNGARY Budapest Local organizer(s)

Utca Szak

Contact: Balázs Simon nocturne@mail.datanet.hu

Commedia dell'Arte Világnapját / Open workshop in Commedia dell'Arte

www.utcaszak.hu

NETHERLANDS (the) Amsterdam Local organizer(s)

Theater Cronopio
Teatro Animo
Franz Krom

Piccolo Theatre Dario Fo
Universiteitstheater Amsterdam

Contact: Patrizia Esposito

esposito@casema.nl

Commedia dell'Arte Dag: Demonstrations, Improvisiations, Mask Exhibitions, and Celebrations at Universiteitstheater Amsterdam

www.commediadellarte.info www.franskrom.nl

www.piccolotheater.nl

www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=288969474646&ref=ts

www.hum.uva.nl/organisatie/locaties.cfm/2A9D8A9F-7CA8-4190-BF84B7A094F193DD

POLA	ND Cracow	Local organizer(s)
		Studio Dono
		Contact: Agnieszka Cianciara-Frohlich biuro@studiodono.pl
Dzie	Otwarty W oskiej Komedii / Open Day	of Italian Comedy
		www.studiodono.pl

SPAIN	Barcelona	Local organizer(s) La Ira Teatro
		Contact: Felipe Cabezas lairateatro@yahoo.com
	de la Commedia dell'Arte: classes, workshops, exhibitions	s, and performances
		www.commediantesdellarte.blogspot.com

	Cartagena	Local organizer(s) Asociación Los Comediartes
		Contact: José Gabriel Campos loscomediartes@gmail.com
Día Mundial de la Cor	nmedia dell'Arte con e	xplicación y canovaccios
		www.loscomediartes.tk

	Coruña	Local organizer(s) Elefante Elegante Teatro
		Contact: Diana Sieira diana@elefanteelegante.net
Performances 'O Forn	0'	www.elefanteelegante.net

Madrid	Local organizer(s) Dispara Teatro
	Contact: Javier Tenías Rodrigo javitenias@hotmail.com
Clase-espectáculo de Commedia dell'A	urte www.disparateatro.com

Madrid	Local organizer(s) Teatro di Commedia
	Contact: Pablo Torregiani lacommediadellarte@gmail.com
Conferencia Día de la Commedia dell'Arte	www.teatrodicommedia.blogspot.com

Madrid Local organizer(s)

El Teatro del Finikito

Contact: David Sanz

commedia@elteatrodelfinikito.com

La Commedia dell'Arte: una aventura en curso...

www.elteatrodelfinikito.com

Sevilla Local organizer(s)

Centro de Artes Escénicas

Contact: Gregor Acuña

centrodeartesescenicas@yahoo.es

Centro de Artes Escénicas presents: Una clase de la Commedia dell'Arte al aire libre en la plaza en las calles Santa Maria la Blanca y Ximenez de Enciso

www.centrodeartesescenicas.com

Sevilla Local organizer(s)

Farandulario Teatro

Contact: Paco G. Melero

pgmelero.farandulario@gmail.com

Farandulario Teatro presents: Masterclass teórico-práctica sobre La Commedia dell'Arte y Exposición / Exhibición de Máscaras

www.farandulario.com

SWEDEN Stockholm Local organizer(s)

Micke Klingvall

Contact: Micke Klingvall micke@klingvall.com

Workshop in Commedia dell'Arte

www.klingvall.com

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA Toronto Local organizer(s)

Havergal College

MetaPhysical Theatre

Contact: David Langlois pantalone60@gmail.com

Commedia dell'Arte Workshop

www.havergal.on.ca www.metaphysicaltheatre.com Windsor Local organizer(s)

University of Windsor School of Dramatic Art

Contact: Gina Riley riley2@uwindsor.ca

Student-devised Commedia scenarios Feb 23, 25, and 26

Number of Participants: 95

web4.uwindsor.ca/drama

www.facebook.com/ -!/event.php?eid=321543907755&ref=ts

CALIFORNIA Blue Lake Local organizer(s)

Dell'Arte International

Contact: Joan Schirle joans@dellarte.com

Open House at Dell'Arte International

Tour the historic building, learn about the founding of the school,

See Commedia masks, costumes, and more.....

dellarte.com

Rohnert Park Local organizer(s)

Sonoma State University

Contact: Doyle Ott doyleoo@yahoo.com

Student-devised Commedia scenes

based upon the interludes in Moliere's Imaginary Invalid

www.sonoma.edu

San Diego Local organizer(s)

Chronos Theatre Group
MiraCosta College
Contact: Sherri Allen
sherriallen@hotmail.com

Lecture, Workshop, and Performances from the Flaminio Scala scenarios

Number of Participants: 67

www.chronostheatre.com/chronostheatre.com/commedia.html

San Francisco Local organizer(s)

First Church of the Last Laugh

Contact: Ed Holmes pondip@earthlink.net

A Commedia Stoll (or Lazy Parade) through town in honor of Carlo Mazzone Clementi

Number of Participants: 9 plus 100s of observers around the city

www.saintstupid.com

San Francisco Local organizer(s)

Tutti Frutti Commedia dell'Arte

Company

Contact: Jim Letchworth

zanni4@yahoo.com

Performances of student-devised scenes at School of the Arts High School

www.tuttifrutticommedia.com/abouttutti.html

Santa Rosa Local organizer(s)

CHOPS Teen Center

Contact: Jeffrey Weissman jeffreyweissman@sbcglobal.net

Workshop in performing Commedia dell'Arte

CONNECTICUT New Haven Local organizer(s)

Yale Reperatory Theatre

Yale School of Drama

Contact: Christopher Bayes cb@christopherbayes.com

The Servant of Two Masters in rehearsals and Student-devised Commedia dell'Arte pieces www.yalerep.org/on_stage/2009-10/servant.html

drama.yale.edu

WASHINGTON, DC

Local organizer(s)

Faction of Fools Theatre Company, Inc.

The International coordinating member



Contact:
Matthew Wilson
matt@factionoffools.org

The Great One-Man Commedia Epic

Performances, classes, and workshops Feb 25-Mar 1 at Sidney Harman Hall Number of Participants: 8 company members, 370 audience members

www.factionoffools.org/gomce.html

WASHINGTON, DC Local organizer(s)

Academy for Classical Acting

Contact: Paul Reisman reisman@factionoffools.org

Round-table discussion on Commedia dell'Arte and classical theatre

shakespearetheatre.org/academy/index.aspx

HAWAI'I Honolulu Local organizer(s)

University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Contact: Lurana O'Malley

omalley@hawaii.edu

Commedia dell'Arte Day Honolulu: workshops with professors, student-devised scenes

www.uhm.hawaii.edu

ILLINOIS Evanston Local organizer(s)

Northwestern University

Contact: Dan Zellner danzellner@yahoo.com

Acting classes in Commedia dell'Arte

Number of Participants: 2 professors, 9 student performers, 30 audience members

www.northwestern.edu

Evanston Local organizer(s)

Piccolo Teatro

• Chicago dell'Arte

Contact: Leeann Zahrt leeann@piccolotheatre.com

World Commedia Day

A Commedia dell'Arte scenario about the history and style of Commedia

www.piccolotheatre.com www.chicagodellarte.com

MAINE Portland Local organizer(s)

Celebration Barn Theater

Julie Goell

Contact: Julie Goell juliegoell@gmail.com

Commedia dell'Arte Brown Bag Lunch

www.celebrationbarn.com www.juliegoell.com

MARYLAND Baltimore Local organizer(s)

New Old Theatre

Contact: Steven Lampredi lampredi2@yahoo.com

Introduction to Commedia dell'Arte workshop on Feb 25

and additional workshops in March

www.newoldtheater.org

Baltimore Local organizer(s)

University of Maryland Baltimore Campus

Contact: Casey Kaleba casey,kaleba@earthlink.net

Theatre History Class on Commedia dell'Arte and Carlo Goldoni

www.umbc.edu

Bethesda Local organizer(s)

Westland Middle School Contact: Chiara Monticelli chiara.monticelli@gmail.com

Italian Language & Culture Class devoted to Commedia dell'Arte

www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/westlandms/

MASSACHUSETTES	Boston	Local organizer(s) Orfeo Group
		Contact: Liz Hayes hayesea@gmail.com

Pierre Marivaux's *The Island of the Slaves* running Feb 11 - Mar 6th. Feb 25th talkback on CdA with Judith Chaffee, Orfeo members, and Behind the Mask's Eric Bornstein

www.orfeogroup.org www.behindthemask.org

MICHIGAN	Ann Arbor	Local organizer(s) University of MichiganAnn Arbor
		Contact: Martin Walsh narenlob@umich.edu
	reening Strehler's <i>II serv</i> pants: 1 professor, 16 p	·

East Lansing
Local organizer(s)

Michigan State University

Contact: Chaya Gordon

Contact: Chaya Gordon gordon91@cal.msu.edu

Master Class in Commedia dell'Arte Number of Participants: 2 teachers, 7 students

www.msu.edu

www.umich.edu

Flint
Local organizer(s)

• Teatro Carnivale

• Hole in the Wall Theatre

Contact: TJ Corbett

teatro_carnivale@yahoo.com

24-hour Theatre a la Commedia! at University of Michigan--Flint Number of Participants: 18 participants, 40 audience members

www.umflint.edu

MONTANA	Missoula	Local organizer(s) University of Montana
		Contact: Ezra LeBank ezralebank@gmail.com
	Workshop & Staged Reants: 1 professor, 16 gradu	•

umt.edu

www.magistheatre.org

NEW JERSEY	Sewell	Local organizer(s) The Gloucester County Institute of Technology
		Contact: Kim Palomo Kpalomo@gcit.org
The Servant of Two	Masters, Feb 23-26	www.gcit.org

NEW YORK	Fredonia	Local organizer(s) State University of New YorkFredonia
		Contact: James Ivey James.Ivey@fredonia.edu
		d student-devised Commedia scenes ctor, 21 student performers, 45 audience
		www.fredonia.edu

	New York City	Local organizer(s) Fiasco Grande
		Contact: Billy Dee Bedlam dotgrimble@gmail.com
Commedia a la Cart	e at Roy Arias Studios	

New York City	Local organizer(s) Magis Theatre Company
	Contact: George Drance magistheatre@yahoo.com
influence on this produc	aMama ETC Feb 11-28 ction, Magis dedicates their Feb 25 show to

	New York City	Local organizer(s) The Stolen Chair Theatre Company
		Contact: Liza Green Liza@stolenchair.org
Intensive Introduction	to Commedia dell'A	rte Workshop at Space on White

rensive introduction to Commedia dell'Arie workshop at space on write www.stolenchair.org/education.html

New York City Local organizer(s)

Where Eagles Dare Studios

Contact: Brittany Scott brittanyfscott@gmail.com

Zanni Workshop: An intensive character exploration of the CdA Servants at Where Eagles Dare Studios

www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=290222336830&ref=mf

Poughkeepsie Local organizer(s)

Vassar University
Contact: Shona Tucker
shtucker@vassar.edu

Theatrical Movement Class devoted to Commedia dell'Arte

www.vassar.edu

CAROLINA Elon Local organizer(s)

Elon University

Contact: Keyin Otos

Contact: Kevin Otos kotos@elon.edu

Celebrate Commedia dell'Arte Day 2010: Lecture followed by short scenarios Number of Participants: 10 performers, 50 audience members

www.elon.edu/home/

OHIO Akron Local organizer(s)

Miller South Commedia dell'Arte Troupe

Contact: Wendy S. Duke

wsd@infionline.net

The Complete History of Theatre -- Condensed

Number of Participants:, 1 theatre teacher, 13 students, 500 audience members

www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=151671807451&ref=ts%5C/

Cleveland Local organizer(s)

The Confused Greenies

Contact: Jess Rudolph

lazzi@case.edu

Close Encounters of the Foolish Kind at Case Western Reserve University

filer.case.edu/org/commedia/plays/2010-02-25_Close-Encounters.html

PENNSYLVANIA Philadelphia Local organizer(s)

International Opera Theatre

The Averagazzi

Contact: Karen Saillant

karen@internationaloperatheater.org

Librofacé: A Social Networking Farce at The Fire

international operatheater.org/iot/

www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=312322632332 -!

www.iourecords.com/thefire/

Philadelphia Local organizer(s)

University of the Arts

Contact: Aaron Cromie aaroncromie@gmail.com

Lecture/demo on Commedia dell'Arte and Carlo Gozzi followed by a reading of Gozzi's The Blue Monster

Number of Participants: 2 professors, 8 student performers, 45 audience members

www.uarts.edu

East Stroudsburg Local organizer(s)

East Stroudsburg University

Contact: Stephanie French

insideout@pobox.com

Stage and Comic Class presents

Marketplace Mayhem -- Interviews and Gossip from the Commedia Front

www4.esu.edu/

Phoenixville Local organizer(s)

ZanniTAVANI

Contact: Craig Tavani symmimex@aol.com

Performances at Children's Plaza and at Facetime Performing Arts Studio

TENNESSE Nashville Local organizer(s)

Hanging Stage Theatre

Contact: Gus Gillette scoopspiffy@gmail.com

Reading of The Servant of Two Masters

www.facebook.com/ -!/event.php?eid=356536906534

TEXAS Austin Local organizer(s)

La Fenice

Contact: Kate Meehan katesmash@gmail.com

A Fable and an Epic Saga at Sherwood Forest Faire

www.lafeniceaustin.org www.sherwoodforestfaire.com

Dallas Local organizer(s)

Dream Collectors

Contact: Rogene Russell Howard rogene@fineartschamberplayers.org

Fine Arts Chamber Players' educational outreach troupe "Dream Collectors" presents For Every Action. . . or the Matter of Choice

A Commedia performance for primary education students combining Science, Music, Commedia, and Character Education

Houston Local organizer(s)

Spring Woods High School

Contact: Anne Yancey

anne.yancey@springbranchisd.com

Classes in Commedia dell'Arte and student-devised scenarios Number of Participants: 1 teacher, 105 student performers

VIRGINIA Blacksburg Local organizer(s)

Virginia Tech University

Contact: David Johnson

dajohns6@vt.edu

Commedia dell'Arte performance tour of Switzerland & Italy

www.vt.edu

Charlottesville Local organizer(s)

University of Virginia

Contact: Laura Rikard laurarikard@mac.com

Acting Class in Commedia dell'Arte

www.virginia.edu

Fairfax Local organizer(s)

George Mason University

Contact: Ken Elston kelston@gmu.edu

"Bits and Balancing the Space"

A directing class focused on lazzi-development and spatial relationships with lessons

learned from Commedia dell'Arte

Number of Participants: 1 professor, 12 students

www.gmu.edu

Richmond Local organizer(s)

Henrico Center for the Arts

Contact: Rebecca Bernard

bernardrn@gmail.com

Masks, Play, and Mayhem!

A Week-Long Celebration of Commedia dell'Arte Day, Feb 22-26

www.henrico.k12.va.us/hs/henrico/CFA Files/CFAindex.htm

SOUTH AMERICA

BRASIL São Paulo Local organizer(s)

Oficina de Atores Nilton Travesso

Contact: Marcelo Adriano Colavitto

colavitto@ig.com.br

Performance and discussion about Commedia dell'Arte in actor formation

www.niltontravesso.com.br/pagina_02.html - marcelo_colavitto

AFRICA

ETHIOPIA Addis Abeba Local organizer(s)

Clowns without Borders South Africa

Contact: Jamie McLaren Lachman

jamie.lachman@gmail.com

Project Ethiopia with Worldwide Orphans Feb 16-27 With special Commedia-inspired performances on Feb 24th and workshops on Feb 25th

www.cwbsa.org

TUNISIA Nabeul Local organizer(s)

Centre Culturel Neapolis de Nabeul

Contact: Kalelo Bebo

kaljal8@yahoo.fr

Histoire et représentation des masques de Commedia dell'Arte

sk-sk.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&gid=45610768779

ASIA

IRAN Tehran Local organizer(s)

Av Theatre/ آو نمایش گروه

Contact: Babak Mohri b.mohri@chagalesh.com

A coffee shop PARDE-KHANI in honor of Commedia dell'Arte Day PARDE-KHANI (Persian "storytelling from a big picture") is a traditional form of improvised, group theatre and storytelling

www.avtheatre.ir

JAPAN	Mishima	Local organizer(s) Nihon University	
		Contact: Emma Firestone emma.firestone@gmail.com	
	focused on Japanese and Irticipants: 1 professor, 36 s		

LEBANON	Beirut	Local organizer(s) Mike Haroutioun Ayvazian
		Contact: Mike Haroutioun Ayvazian makashkash@hotmail.com
Commedia wo	rkshops at a high scho	pol in Beirut

PAKISTAN	Islamabad	Local organizer(s) Westminster School
		Contact: Tughral Turab Ali tughral.t.ali@gmail.com

Urdu-language improvisations and student-devised scenes paired with English-language Shakespeare selections and a discussion of Commedia dell'Arte's influence in world theatre

www.westminster-isb.edu.pk

www.nihon-u.ac.jp/intldiv/en/index.html

TURKEY	Ankara	Local organizer(s) • Ankara State Opera and Ballet Theatre • Ankara State Theatre • TOBAV (Association of Performing Arts) • Ankara Italian Culture Institute
		Contact: Gülce Çelik Erdoğan gulcecelikerdogan@hotmail.com

Press conferences, lectures, and articles about international Commedia dell'Arte Day www.tiyatrodergisi.com.tr/detay.php?hng=1786

Ankara	Local organizer(s) Üniversitesi D.T.C.F Tiyatro Bölümü. Melaat Özgü Sahnesi
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Workshops in Commedia dell'Arte	

Ankara	Local organizer(s) Canal B
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International television coverage of Co	ommedia dell'Arte Day

Instanbul Local organizer(s)

Turkish Radio and Television (TRT)

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International television and radio coverage of Commedia dell'Arte Day events

THAILAND Bangkok Local organizer(s)

Teatro Commedia di Thailand

Contact: Jonathan Samson tourthaientertainment@yahoo.com

Workshop in Commedia dell'Arte on Feb 24th followed by a performance integrating Commedia dell'Arte with traditional Thai theatre on Feb 25th in the Grande Ballroom of the Sheraton Grande Sukhumvit

AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA Adelaide Local organizer(s)

Interform Theatre Company

Contact: Corinna Di Niro corinna_diniro@yahoo.com.au

Workshops in Commedia dell'Arte and Slapstick and a preview performance of the modern Commedia-burlesque show iSize

Number of Participants: 2 practitioners, 37 workshop studente, 60 audience members

www.arts.sa.gov.au/site/page.cfm?c=5658

Brisbane Local organizer(s)

Forest Lake State High School

Contact: Sally Ormston msormston@ozemail.com.au

Schoolwide Guerrilla Commedia dell'Arte with Year 12 Drama Students Number of Participants: 1 theatre teacher, 12 students performers, 200 audience members

Queensland Local organizer(s)

Lightwire Theatrical Productions

Contact: Tony Kishawi tkishawi@lightwire.com.au

Commedia workshops with Indooroopilly SHS and Cooloola Christian College, Continuing work on the forthcoming teaching manual *The Spirit of the Mask*

www.lightwire.com.au

Commedia dell'Arte Day Stats 2010

EVENTS: 85 CONTINENTS: 6 Cities: 68

COUNTRIES: 22

Ethiopia
Tunisia
Iran
Japan
Lebanon
Pakistan
Turkey
Thailand
Australia
Belgium
England
France
Germany
Hungary
Italy

Netherlands Poland Spain Sweden Canada

USA Brazil

US STATES:19

Arizona California Connecticut

Hawai'i

District of Columbia

Illinois
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Montana
New Jersey
New York

North Carolina

Ohio

Pennsylvania Tennessee Texas Virginia

LANGUAGES: 19+dialects

Amharic isiZulu Arabic Urdu Persian French English Japanese Thai Turkish German Hungarian

Italian (plus Italian dialects)

Dutch Polish

Spanish (Castilian)

Catalan Swedish Portuguese