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WORLD PUPPET CARNIVAL (KAZAKHSTAN): Open Call. The IVth World Puppet Carnival – Almaty 2015 will take place in Almaty from 20th to 26th September 2015 - international call for participants, several cash prizes.

Deadline for applications: 1 April 2015

The Carnival is organized by the Department of Culture (Almaty), the National Puppet Theater (Almaty) and ADC Agency. The project aims at maintenance, development and promotion of the best achievements in the world puppet art, improvement of professional and acting skills, increase of audience aesthetic level, creation and consolidation of intellectual image of Kazakhstan and Almaty as a big cultural center.

Contest presentations and out-of-contest performances of Carnival participants, as well as charity shows for children with disabilities and complex diseases, free performances for orphaned children will be held in the frames of this project. All contest performances will go off on the stage of the National Puppet Theater, and out-of-contest performances - on the other stages in the city. Competent jury will appraise the performances.

During visit to Almaty the actors will have free accommodation, transportation across the city and daily allowance. **Organizing committee does not pay travel costs to Almaty.**

PRIZES: The contest prize fund amounts to app. USD 25000. The Carnival grand prize amounts to USD 7500. Prizes for the other nominations are USD 4000 to 500 respectively. Total of 7 nominations for

awards.

The event is widely covered by Kazakhstan and international mass media. It will be opened in a CITY DAY in the Central Park of Culture and Rest. Guests of the Carnival will participate in a festive cortege and City Day events.

The following theaters won the Grand Prize previous years:

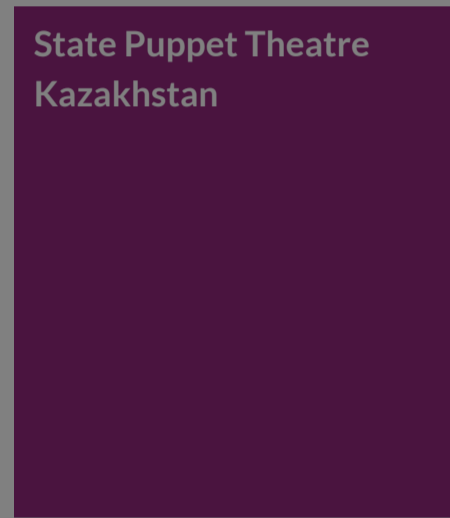


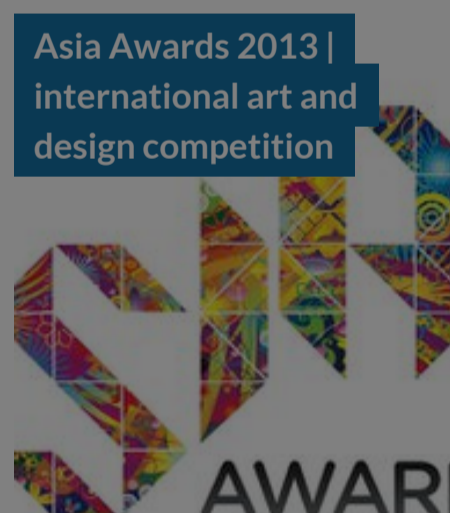
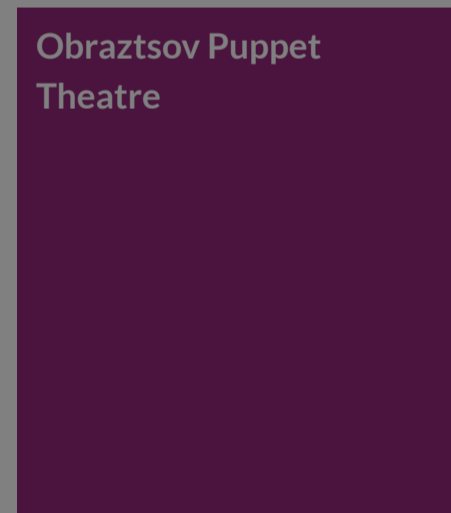
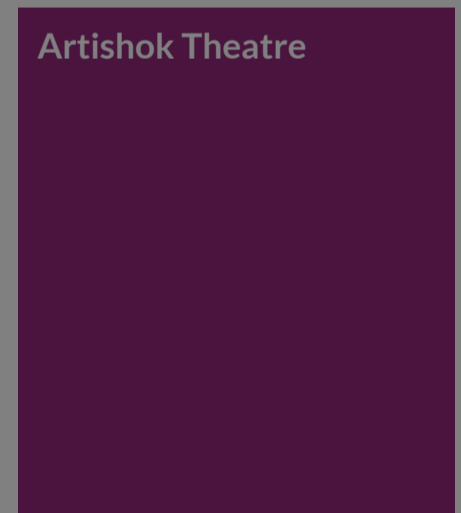
1. Theater Kukolny format (Saint Petersburg, Russia). Crime and Punishment. 2011
2. Puppet Theatre Gulliver (Kurgan, Russia). Capric'io (double creamed) . 2012
3. Puppet Theatre Alakay (Aktobe). Who plaits horse manes? 2013

Theaters from USA, Australia, South Korea, Thailand, Iran, Ukraine, Armenia and many other countries became prize winners and nominees of the contest.

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Image: puppet theatre Colibri from Romania, invited to the first Almaty World Puppet Carnival

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