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"Ion Creangă" Theatre for Children

"Ion Creangă" Theatre for Children produces and promotes performances of high artistic standard, coordinates and implements research programmes, educational, social and cultural projects, aimed at children between the ages of 0 and 12 years, at teachers, trainers, parents and legal guardians.

By addressing the most participatory, generous and sincere audience - children, "Ion Creangă" Theatre is also a platform of development, through the means of art, of the aesthetic sensitivity, of creative thinking and of the critical faculties, for children of very young ages. Some children have their first experience as theatergoers at "Ion Creangă" Theatre, so it is crucial that this experience should be an extremely powerful and authentic artistic one, honest and heart-felt, which should light up their fantasy, develop their visual and sensory perceptions and that should shape their taste for art.

As a public performing arts company, "Ion Creangă" Theatre is loyal to its mission to be, through its projects and programmes, a promoter of the national artistic potential, to make the most of the cultural heritage, to stimulate new, original productions, to promote young and to encourage fresh and provocative approaches in theatre for children.

Some of "Ion Creangă" Theatre's most relevant initiatives of this sort are:

- organizing the first international theatre festival for children, in Romania: 100, 1000, 1000.000 stories (first edition - 2005);
- organizing the first national playwriting for children contest, in Romania: 100, 1000, 1.000.000 stories (each year, the winning play is staged by Ion Creangă Theatre);
- Implementing the Early Education pioneering programme, started in 2005, within the frame of which 16 performances have been staged so far.

The activities carried on at an institutional level (both nationally and internationally), the sincere and constant dialogue with its public, the rewarding and efficient partnership with schools and social protection authorities, its presence as important member of prestigious international theatre organisations (ASSITEJ, EuNeTArt, Epicentre, Small Size Association) establish "Ion Creangă" Theatre as an educational, social and cultural pillar for the community, by managing to gather society round the same ideal: education through art, essential to the harmonious development of children.

Each year, 50.000 theatre goers from and outside of Bucharest come to see the performances staged at "Ion Creangă", performances which aim to be significant artistic experiences, inspiring, engaging and most of all that aim to bring joy to this wonderful world of enthusiasm and belief in truth - the world of childhood.

"Ion Creangă" Theatre is a public performing arts company, a repertory theatre, subordinated to the General Council of Bucharest and subsidized from the local budget.

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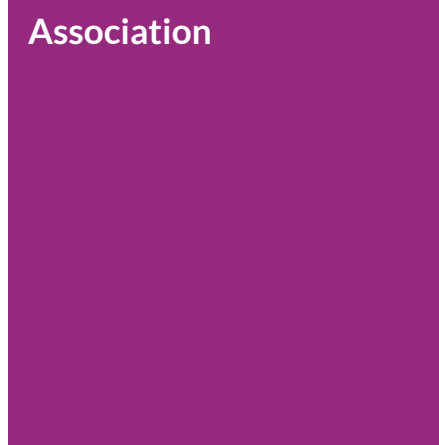
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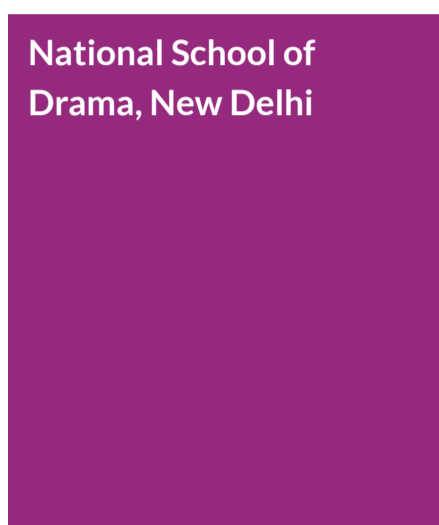
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