



**TURKISH STATE THEATERS  
KONYA 15<sup>th</sup> “A THOUSAND BREATHS, ONE VOICE”,  
INTERNATIONAL THEATRE FESTIVAL  
20-30 MAY 2023**

On behalf of Turkish State Theaters, Konya State Theater would like to announce the 15<sup>th</sup> “A Thousands Breaths, One Voice” International Konya Theater Festival, which will be held between 20<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 in Konya, Türkiye.

As the first international theatre oriented event of the region, the purpose of the festival is to take a step forward towards establishing future cooperation between Turkish State Theaters-The National Theatre of Türkiye and foreign groups from different countries.

The Festival also aims at building contacts for joint projects by providing an exchange of directors, actors/actresses and technical staff to improve the multicultural understanding and bilateral cooperation.

Beside their main theatre performances, groups can also propose workshops and outdoor performances like street theatre, street events, dance show events and or concerts etc.

We hope to breathe together with the unifying impact of theatre in this town where you will feel that a mystical soul of the past, starting from the Prehistoric Era to Hittite, Lydia, Persia, Alexander the Great and Roman Periods, walks along with you.

This town, which was known as “**Iconium**” in the Byzantine Period and now called as **Konya**, is also the land of clemency and tolerance.

We will be happy to see you in Konya with the love and tolerance of Mevlana Celaleddin-i Rumi, who is a world-wide famous thinker and poet. The following verses explicitly indicate his tolerance:

COME!... COME, COME AGAIN;  
COME, WHOEVER YOU ARE...  
WHETHER A FIRE-WORSHIPPER OR A PAGAN OR AN INFIDEL.  
IT DOESN'T MATTER, EVEN IF YOU HAVE REPENT OF YOUR SINS  
OR BROKEN YOUR REPENTANCE FOR HUNDREDS OF TIMES  
OURS IS THE LODGE OF HOPE  
JUST COME, WHOEVER YOU ARE...

Konya State Theatre will be honored to see you in our festival of which 15<sup>th</sup> will be organized this year.

We kindly expect your application

**MUSTAFA KURT  
General Art Director  
Turkish State Theatres**



## FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

- 1) For participant groups, accommodation and 3 meals a day in Türkiye shall be borne by the hosting institution.
- 2) Number of participants in each group is limited with maximum 20 people per country.
- 3) At least 2 representatives of each country, whose participation is final, shall attend to the meeting of which date and hour will be determined by the hosting theatre.

## INFORMATION ON THEATRES OF THE PARTICIPANT COUNTRIES

Country :

Name of the Institution :

Address :

Telephone :

Fax :

E-mail :

Contact Person :

Tel no :

Mobile Tel no :

E-mail :

Fax :

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**INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS REQUESTED FROM PARTICIPANT ORGANIZATIONS  
AND INSTITUTIONS**

- Name of the Play :
- Type of the Play :
- Poster, Brochure of the Play :
- Performance DVD of the Play (the entire performance):
- Photograph CD of the Play :
- Detailed Introductory Information on the Theatre :
- Cast Information of the Play :
- Preliminary Information on Technical Equipment :

Notes: \* Detailed information on technical issues shall be reviewed after acceptance of the play.

\*\* The countries who wish to participate in the festival should forward necessary information and documents on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at the latest. Applications are now open, and can be submitted to [konyadt@gmail.com](mailto:konyadt@gmail.com) or by using the attached application form which also includes detailed information about the festival.

\*\*\*The deadline for applications is 25th February 2023. Applications which are submitted after said date shall not be taken into consideration.

\*\*\*\* Final Acceptance and Invitation Letter shall be sent to the countries whose plays are evaluated and accepted by the Selection Committee.

Photos on CD, brochures, posters, any other supporting documentation. Please send them by e-mail:

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