

15TH “VISIONI DI FUTURO, VISIONI DI TEATRO...” FESTIVAL

LA BARACCA – TESTONI RAGAZZI, BOLOGNA, February 22nd to March 3rd, 2019

Call: ARTISTS MEET EARLY YEARS

Artists meet Early years offers to 6 (italian or international) young artists the chance to meet early years right in the places where children belong to an educational community, crèches and kindergartens.

By offering the chance to present a small performance or a workshop, in order to observe them, collecting suggestions and images that can be useful to the development of a personal artistic research on the youngest ones.

Thanks to **Artists meet Early years**, 6 young artists (under 35 years old) will have the opportunity to visit some educational services belonging to IES (institution for schools and education of the Municipality of Bologna) dedicated to children **0-3 or 3-6 years old for two consecutive days, followed by the pedagogues of the group “Sguardo Altrove”, the observatory of the festival.**

Two days in a row in the same school, where the artists selected will be free to present fragments of a performance, tell a story or lead a workshop, either in a kindergarten or in a crèche.

By meeting the children again in their educational environment the very next day, the artists can live with them a new kind of experience.

Coming back means to be able to understand in a better way the reality of the educational services visited, as well as to build up a direct relationship with children and educators.

During the last edition, the proposal became an appreciated way of going into deep with the relationship with the Early Years also **for operators**, to whom have been dedicated **two nights** in order to share with them observations and the performance/workshops that the artists presented at school. Visioni is a festival of theatre and culture dedicated to early years, which, since this edition will become part of the new EU project, **“Mapping - A Map on the aesthetics of performing arts for early years”**.

The artists selected will have the chance to take part to the events of the festival (such as shows, conferences, workshops, meetings...), but also to exchange their experiences with other artists and to work with the target group of early year's children. “Visioni di futuro, Visioni di teatro...” will take place at Testoni Ragazzi Theatre in Bologna (Italy) from February 22nd to March 3rd 2019.

Artists meet Early years will take place from February 25th to March 1st 2019.

This call is open to 6 artists, also to the last year participants, to whom we will offer **accommodation and subsistence for 3 days and facilitations for the festival activities.**

If you are interested in this offer, please send us the following information **by November 18th** :
But if we won't have enough requests, we reserve the right to delay the deadline.

- Fill in the form you find together with the call, with the brief presentation of your proposal
- A short CV, focused on your experience in Theatre for Young Audience (previous experience in theatre for early years is not important).
- A cover letter, explaining your motivation towards this experience

The selection will be made by the evaluation of the call forms.

You will receive our answer hopefully by the end of November 2018. In case you apply, we ask you to please keep your schedule clear between February 25th and March 1st 2019.

You can send your application to festival@testoniragazzi.it.

In 2018, Artists meet Early Years hosted 10 artists, who played 8 presentations:

NAME	PROPOSAL (performance/laboratorio)	COUNTRY
Laurence Alliston-Greiner	Desert Island Baby	UK
Amanda Francesca Spernicelli	Le mani sono strade	Italy
Schoemé Grobler	The Nursery Rhyme Effect	South Africa
Kiyofumi Yamamoto and Reiko Naoi	Can	Japan
Emily Kamarinopoulou	Baby Sign theater	Greece
Sharon Gavrielov	Theatrical story telling for the little ones	Israel
Lorena Copil	Be my friend!	Romania
Teresa Hoffmann and Chiara Kastner	How do elbows or buttocks communicate?	Germany