



International
"Science Performance Is Ready"
Event

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Workshop for creating and running Science Shows

Ljubljana, Slovenia

May 29th – June 2nd

Program

(subject to change)

Ingredients and the First Course

Introduction to the concept of science shows, science demonstrations, science theatre and workshops as science communication tools.

MONDAY
May 29th

From	To	Session	Description	
09:00	09:30	Registration		
09:30	10:00	Intro to the course - Tea and Coffee on the House	Welcome, why, how INSPIRE	
10:00	10:30	Who is Who	WHO IS WHO, participants and trainers present themselves	
10:30	11:05	Memoryology	Science Adventure from Hiša	
11:05	11:45	Science Adventure - cooking and digesting	The making of Memoryology - a peek behind the Scenes	
11:45	12:45	Lunch (outside Hiša)		
12:45	13:45	I want to show you	Participants performing demonstrations, 5' per demo	
13:45	14:30	I would like to add	Discussion of performances and suggestions (intro to busking)	
14:30	17:15	Finding the theme, and skeleton	Participants working in groups on new science shows	
17:15	18:30	InSTRAWments - help needed (outside Hiša)	Busking on the bridge	
18:30		Dinner (outside Hiša)		

Cooking

Understanding the methods and tools for constructing science shows and demonstrations. Beginning the construction of new shows by the participants. Understanding the importance of humour, eye contact and encouraging communication for the success of the performance. Understanding the evaluation methods as tools for improving quality.

TUESDAY
May 30th

From	To	Session	Description	
09:00	09:15	Demonstration "On the top"	A short presentation of tops	
09:15	10:00	Tour de centre (+ tea and coffe)		
10:00	11:00	"It is good" but is it good enough	Methods for evaluating science communication	
11:00	12:30	Science shows: when yes and when no	When science shows don't work - what then? + discussion	
12:30	13:30	Working lunch (in Hiša)	Lunch in groups - discussion without tutors	
13:30	15:00	Working on muscules and nerves	Adding contents to the show skeleton	
15:00	15:15	Break with tea and coffee		
15:15	17:15	Look into the mirror	Experience some tips and tricks from a theatre actor	
17:15	19:15	Working on the show		
19:15	20:15	Dinner (outside Hiša)		
20:15		Working on the show	Late night work on the show	

Seasoning and Tasting

Fine tuning the performance in front of different audiences. Understanding the importance of acting and active involvement of visitors during science performance.

WEDNESDAY
May 31st

From	To	Session	Description	
09:30	10:30	Something else?	A bit different show	
10:30	10:45	Breaking Coffee or Tea		
10:45	13:00	Show must go on	Working on shows	
13:00	14:15	Lunch (outside Hiša)	Lunch in groups - discussion without tutors	
14:15	15:00	"Ach ya" and "nish nish"	Do's and don'ts for performances in front of audience	
15:00	15:45	"Pain in the a.." and pain killers	How to enjoy and control the audience	
15:45	16:45	Seasoning the shows	Using humour in science shows	
16:45	17:00	Breaking with tea and coffee		
17:00	19:00	"Dry training"	Training for the performance (without or with missing props)	
19:00		Dinner (outside Hiša)		

Serving the Main Course

THURSDAY

June 1st

Completing a science performance and presenting it to the public. Evaluation of the performance by the expert and self-evaluation by the performer. Joining the network of Znanstival performers. Wrapping up the course and receiving certificates.

From	To	Session	Description	
08:00	9:00	Now I have it	Getting the props from the toolshop and completing shows	
10:00	11:00	Busology (outside Hiša)	travel to ...	
11:00	11:30		Unknown to most	
12:00	14:00	Lunch (outside Hiša)		
14:30	15:30	Show it to the others (outside Hiša)	Performing shows	
16:00	19:00	Chefs get rewarded (outside Hiša)	Wrap up of the course and receiving the certificates	



Serving Dessert

Learning by doing and understanding the evaluation results. Improving the science performances by the participants. Presenting improved performances to the public.

FRIDAY
June 2nd

From	To	Session	Description	
10:00	11:00	Znanstival's potpourri (outside Hiša)	Opening of the Sciencetival	
11:00	12:30	New shows on the bridge (outside Hiša)	Shows by participants translated by a translator into Slovene	
12:30	13:00	Vacuum	Cleaner	
13:00	15:00	Lunch (outside Hiša)		



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