



INSPIRE

International
"Science Performance Is Ready"
Event

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Workshop for creating and running Science Shows

Ljubljana, Slovenia

26th – 30th May

Programme

(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
26th May

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)		
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)	Busking on the bridge	
18:30		Dinner (outside)		

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
27th May

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 coffee)		
10:00	11:00	Seasoning shows	Using Humour in Science Shows	
11:00	11:45	"Ach ya" and "nish nish"	Do's and dont's for performances before audience	
11:45	12:30	"Pain in the ass" and pain killers	How to enjoy and control the audience	
12:30	13:30	Lunch	Lunch in groups - discussion without tutors	
13:30	15:00	Working on muscles 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	Stuffing in some organs	Adding more contents to the show	
19:15	20:15	Dinner		
20:15		Making the organism work	Late night work on the show	

Seasoning and Tasting

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

WEDNESDAY
28th May

From	To	Session	Description	
09:30	10:30	Something else?	A bit different show	
10:30	10:45	Breaking Coffee or Tea		
10:45	11:30	Teaching or Inspiring	Some philosophy	
11:30	13:00	Show must go on	Working on shows	
13:00	14:00	Lunch	Lunch in groups - discussion without tutors	
14:00	16:45	Show must go on	Working on 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	20:00	Dinner		
20:00	22:00	Almost there	Late night work on the show	

Serving the Main Course

THURSDAY
29th May

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	09:30	Now I have it	Getting the props from the tool shop and completing shows	
09:30	10:00	Getting things squared	Preparations for the shows	
10:00	11:30	Rounding-up squared shows	Performing shows in front of live audience of experts	
11:30	12:00	Take the suitcase	Packing shows for tomorrow	
12:00	13:00	Bus full of Chefs	Unknown to most	
13:00	19:00	Home sweat home	Arriving back home	



Serving Dessert

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

FRIDAY
30th May

From	To	Session	Description	
10:00	10:45	Znanstival's potpourry (outside Hiša)	Opening of the Sciencetival	
10:45	11:00	Eternal glory	Official photo	
11:00	12:30	New shows on the bridge (outside Hiša)	Shows by participants translated by a translator into Slovene	
12:30		Lunch and conclusion of the course		



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