



Invitation to the ChinaSPAF 2017 (19-23 Oct)

Dear EFA Members,

Thank you for your continuous support for the China Shanghai International Arts Festival (CSIAF). Here we would like to invite you to attend our festival opening activities, including the opening performance, performing arts fair (ChinaSPAF), forum, Rising Artists Works! (CSIAF young talents programme), etc.

Established in 1999, **China Shanghai International Arts Festival** (CSIAF) is a state-level annual international arts festival hosted by the Chinese Ministry of Culture and undertaken by Shanghai Municipal People's Government. As a major part of CSIAF for 19 years, the festival's performing arts fair (*ChinaSPAF*) has become the most international and effective event of this kind so far ever held in China, connecting producers and artists of arts festivals, arts centres, theatres, performing companies, agencies and so on in China, Asia-Pacific region as well as other parts of the world.

ChinaSPAF 2016 succeeded with about **800** delegates from **60** countries and regions, including directors from about **60** different international arts festivals and venue presenters from all over mainland China, Hong Kong and Taiwan, including

- Kennedy Center
- Southbank Centre, UK
- Sydney Opera House
- European Festivals Association
- Theatre Olympics
- Adelaide Festival
- Israel Festival
- Sibiu International Theatre Festival
- Association of Performing Arts Presenters (APAP)
- Esplanade Theatres on the Bay
- National Center for the Performing Arts, China (NCPA)
- Shanghai Grand Theatre
- Shanghai Culture Square
- Poly Theatre Group
- Beijing Tianqiao Performing Arts Center
- Guangzhou Opera House
- Xi'an Concert Hall
- ...

We presented **45** live showcases of both Chinese and international programs, both in traditional and contemporary style, including new works by some most creative artists and ensembles in China. For more information, please click here.

More information about showcase, pitch sessions, seminars and other events will be released in the following weeks.

As EFA member, one participant from each organization will be provided a special package of four-star hotel accommodation for 5 nights, airport pick up and drop off, complimentary admission to ChinaSPAF 2017 (original price 775 USD), invitation to the festival opening performance, etc. **for only 200 USD**. If you would like to attend, please kindly reply us before **Wednesday June 7, 2017**. If you have any question, please feel free to drop a note at info@spafchina.com or call us on +86 21 6272 0440.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Shanghai this October!

Kind regards,

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