

PRESS RELEASE

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In this time of conflict, the members of TDC are eager to welcome this mobilization and to transmit this information.

Support for Ukraine Circus artists are mobilizing through a movement of international solidarity!



The largest circus collaboration in history of all genres has joined forces to support the Ukrainian circus community with jobs, costumes, training spaces, transport, visas, a home, and logistics...

Initiating this movement, is Aurelia Cats (VP Viktor Kee Foundation), Jasmine Straga (Board of Directors of the Fédération Mondiale du Cirque & the Global Alliance of Circus Schools) and Kristian Kristof (International Manager Recirquel Company).

Circus students from the Kyiv Academy and Kharkiv have been welcomed into schools around the world

Germany : Europe Staatliche Artistenschule Berlin - Cabuwazi - Circus und Zeltpunkt Montelino - Cirque Active Stuttgart - Dobbelino

Czech Republic : Cirk La Putyka, Prague

Hungary : Recirquel - Capital circus of Budapest - Hungarian Ministry of Culture - Baross Imre Artistaképző Intézet Előadó-művészeti Szakgimnázium - Inspirál circus center - Balance & Torna Club

France : CNAC, Châlons-en-Champagne - La Maison de Nina, Marseille - CIAM - Centre International des Arts en Mouvement, Aix-en-Provence

Australia : Lee Academy

Sweden : Norrköpings Ungdomscirkus

This is a grass roots action run by the above individuals volunteering their time and who are working closely with the Kyiv Academy of Circus and Variety Arts and due to the urgency of its' nature it is not functiing as non-for-profit NGO. These volunteers are veterans in the industry and have undertaken extensive research and utlised their large network of industry professionals to connect students and artists to exactly what they need.

The evacuation and host organizations have not only rescued students from circus schools, but also adult circus artists, including their family and friends fleeing Ukraine.

For adult artists, they are provided with safe methods to flee Ukraine via car, foot or public transport. This is done by utilising live conflict maps, government data and the experiences of those who have recently crossed the border. They are also linked to people who can provide transportation both within Ukraine and beyond the border, in some cases also assist them book flights or trains, find accommodation, access medical treatment or food...

How can you help?

- A crowdfunding campaign 'GoFundMe' was created to help support the children that have fled Ukraine so they can continue their studies in a safe environment. Donations can also be made at : <u>https://gofund.me/5112d1f3</u>

- Several request forms have been created to request or provide assistance:

Ukrainian artists who need work and have left the border, use the following form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScbrML5b6IX4YXIoiAVFGShMKJm3Nz188N1tS5_UAqYnnU5 aw/viewform

Ukrainian circus artists trying to leave Ukraine fill out the following form: https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdM0eCW5BqhHU.../viewform Circus and circus artists, directors, producers, agents, etc. who would like to offer a job or house to a Ukrainian artist, please fill out the following form: <u>https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSdwoLyazpCpcG.../viewform</u>

Circus schools wishing to offer your training space to Ukrainian artists use the following form: <u>https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSeSU41yZfuL3y.../viewform</u>

For performing arts schools that would like to support student dancers, singers and producers in these fields in their school, please complete this form: <u>https://docs.google.com/.../1FAIpQLSfUqLoz.../viewform</u>

For Ukrainian artists needing a costume replacement, please fill out the following form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSckmf1hSQAQDDDsTpr2dyFgGSIjoyGGfQuOLCze9JDJIk38m g/viewform

Some of the individuals & companys that have come together to support Ukraine:

Young Stage Festival, Switzerland **Capital Circus of Budapest** Baltijas Cirks - Latvia Circus Belly - Austria Rosante group - Italy **Cirque Alexandre Bouglione Circus Olympia - Germany** Cirkus Svd - Sweden Circus Brazil Jack Fondazione Cirko Vertigo Centre International des Arts en Mouvement (CIAM) - International Center for Arts in Motion, France Cheval Art Action La Maison de Nina, France Balance Akrobatika & Torna Club Wanjanini Inspirál circus center **Circus Studio Folie Recirquel Company CIRCO RICHMOON** Circus-Luna-Hof National Circus Art Center CircO Hannover **CircArtive School** Zirkusschule Dobbelino Ines Rosemann Circus Schatzinsel (Vuesch gGmbH) Hakasirkus Jugendkulturarbeit e.V.; Educational institution "Internationale Jugendprojektehaus (IJP)" in Oldenburg Jokes die Circusschule e.V. Die Zirkusfabrik Circus CabuwAzi Treptow Circus Waldoni Cirkus Gymnasiet/ Cirkus Cirkör Rambazotti Zirkus Trainingszentrum Fly Norrköpings ungdomscirkus The Oak Circus Centre **Circus Flora** Circusjuventas Le PeTiT CiRqUe Satasirkus ry Cnac - France Kristian Kristof Natalia Demjen **Rikardo Ledman** Gabor Karsa **Cirko Sapiens Circus Works Devoran** Escola Circo VagaMundo Oulun Tähtisirkus LATIBUL Theater- und Zirkuspädagogisches Zentrum Köln Sirkuskoulu Rainbow EPA Pukinmäki Art Schools, Pukinmäki Circus School Zirkus Tasifan Kinder- und Jugendzirkus Paletti e.V. CIRCUS BOSCH/La Scuola di Circo **Circus Rotjeknor** Freie Waldorfschule Wetterau INAC INSTITUTO NACIONAL DE ARTES DO CIRCO Circus und Zeltpunkt Montelino **Cirque Intense Preparatory School** Cirka Cirkus Merscheider Turnverein Circus Odyssey - Lithuania Palazzo - Germany The Circus Community in Lublin - Poland Circo Peppino Medini - Italy Nouveau Cirque Zavatta - France Circus Studio Ffolie, Tallinn - Estonia Culpepper and Merriweather circus - USA Hudson's circus - Australia Västerås, Sweden United Kingdom ~ Let's Circus Gycklargruppen TRiX The wonder circus

Circus Barlay Mirene Cardinali Circus Cork La Putyka - Czech Republic **Recirquel - Hungary** Sky crew circus arts - Greece Finland Kuopio circus school - Finland **Cirque Rhodin** Lennon Bros Circus **Circus Brazil Jack** Satasirkus ry - Finland Santus circus - UK Circo Zavatta - Italy Oaks Circus centre - Norwich UK Russell's international circus - Britain Art Vision Production J.S. Creations **Philip Terence Stanford** Bordeaux Circus School, France Frederico Corda **Stephen Williams** Incandescence circus theatre company **Oliver Haeberle Circus Director** AGENTUR NETZWERK Vernados Circus **Circus Guide Entertainment Agency** Nicola Oliver Gena Shvartsman Cristiani Costumes by Salty Gypsy Cassandra Gasser Yelena West-Dörfliger Kristylee Nicowsky Madelin Bisby Bekki Mitzi Ashton **Roxanne Press from Everything Shiny**

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