



FOTO BALÁZS SZHETI

### SATURDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Auditorium LGM  
17:00 / Auditorium LGM  
Bence Sarkadi Theatre of Marionettes, Hungary  
**THE BUDAPEST MARIONETTES 5+** [35 minutes]

*The Budapest Marionettes* is a multiple award-winning street show that brings about a range of different marionettes in a cycle of short stories accompanied by music. The show has been in continuous development since 2007, and each year it presents new elements in an ever-changing parade of unique puppet characters.



FOTO BOŠTJAN LAH

### SATURDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

11:00 / Small Hall LGM  
In collaboration with the festival Contemporary Dance Platform: Institute Moja kreacija, Slovenia  
Maribor Puppet Theatre, Slovenia / Centre de Créations pour l'Enfance / World Festival of Puppet Theatres, France  
**KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK 2+** [30 minutes]

The performance *Knock Knock Knock* is a poetic and playful triptych that invites little ones and their companions to enter and enjoy a theatrical journey through poetry.

## GOLDEN GIRAFFE

A children's jury will award performances for children with golden stars. The performance with the most votes in the form of golden stars will receive the GOLDEN GIRAFFE award.



FOTO BORUT BUČINEL

### SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER

10:00 / Auditorium LGM  
Vigevageknjige, Slovenia  
**AKISI 6+** [45 minutes]

Akisi is a girl from the Ivory Coast who likes to spend her time hanging out with her friends and teasing her older brother. Akisi is, well... ahem... 'a troublemaker'. She gets along with her brother the way you get along with your brother when you're seven or eight years old, and she doesn't like school very much, either.



FOTO BOŠTJAN LAH

### SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER

11:00 / in front of UGM  
Maribor Puppet Theatre  
**THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA 3+** [40 minutes]

Fairy tales are as old as the world and young at the same time. A decent and fair fairy tale must have a wolf, a good fairy, a dragon ... or at least a prince looking for the right princess.

In cooperation with the AA PUF Festival, the performance will also take place on Friday, 23rd August at 19:00, on Ukmarjev trg in Koper.



FOTO MATEJ PIVŠEK

### SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / City Park / Art Camp  
Narrative Theatre of Ms Bazilika, Slovenia  
**KVEKU ANANSI THE SPIDER 3+** [30 minutes]

A witty show with puppets jumping, peeping, and crawling out of a magic box. Anansi the spider is the main character in many folk tales of Central Africa.

In case of bad weather and cancellation of the programme at the Art Camp, performances will take place at the Maribor Puppet Theatre.

## CREATIVE WORKSHOPS

### SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / LGM  
Art workshop, UGM visiting  
**COLOURS, LINES AND ACTION! 4+**  
After the performance *No!*, we invite children to an art workshop and ask them: what if you didn't have to clean your room? And, what if you could pour paint all over the room, fill it with long, short and furry lines, and glue it with shapes of all kinds? Get ready for some action painting! Beware - colours, stripes and shapes can also end up on your clothes.

### 26<sup>TH</sup> - 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

10:00 - 12:00 / LGM  
**SUMMER PUPPET EXPLORATION 5+**  
In the workshop, participants will explore the world of puppetry and develop a performance with the help of mentors. Through exploring the Maribor Puppet Museum, children will learn about performances from the rich archive of Maribor's puppet history, design their puppets, focus on movement and prepare a sound image for the final production, which will take place on Friday, August 30th, at 17:00 at LGM. The number of participants in the workshop is limited, so please send your registration via email to [ustvarjalnice@lg-mb.si](mailto:ustvarjalnice@lg-mb.si). (€3 per day, €12 for five days)

### SUNDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER

11:45 / in front of UGM  
Maribor Art Gallery  
**ŠPEKTER 3+** [20 minutes]  
After the performance *The Princess and the Pea*, Angry Ant, the cute mascot of the UGM, will invite you to the Maribor Art Gallery to see the Špekter exhibition. You will look for green and red balls, puddles and maybe even a dragon on the artwork.

## SOUND WALKS

Puppet Theatre Maribor / Cona Institute  
**WANDERERS 5+** [45 minutes]  
— Saturday, 17th August at 9:00  
— Saturday, 24th August at 9:00  
— Saturday, 31st August at 9:00

Wanderers are invited to walk the path along the Drava River, this time equipped with headphones and a mobile app. The wander is a sound walk, which takes the spectator on a pre-delineated path. Wanderers are children and adults, families. And with the help of sound images imprinted into the location of the delineated path, they traverse between fictive and real situations.

## SUMMER PUPPET PIER ON MARIBOR ISLAND

### SATURDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Maribor Island  
**PUPPETS ON THE ISLAND 5+**  
This year, the Summer Puppet Pier is also coming to the Maribor Island Swimming Pool, where children will be able to explore the diverse world of puppetry in a relaxed workshop and, with the help of mentors, make their puppets from natural materials.

### WEDNESDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Maribor Island  
**KAMISHIBAI ON THE ISLAND 3+**  
Kamishibai originates from Japan, where it was developed by Buddhist monks who told sacred stories in this way. Kamishibai is the telling of stories alongside pictures that the kamishibaiya (kamishibai narrator) usually draws himself and displays them on a small wooden stage (butai).



# 35<sup>TH</sup> SUMMER PUPPET PIER

# THE PUPPET FESTIVAL WITH THE LOOOONGEST TRADITION

The tickets for the performances are available at a symbolic price of €3 at the box office of the theatre. The box office is open daily from Tuesday to Friday from 9:00 to 13:00, Fridays additionally from 16:00 to 18:00, Saturdays from 9:00 to 13:00, and one hour before every performance.

In case of bad weather and cancellation of the programme at the Art Camp, performances will take place at the Maribor Puppet Theatre.

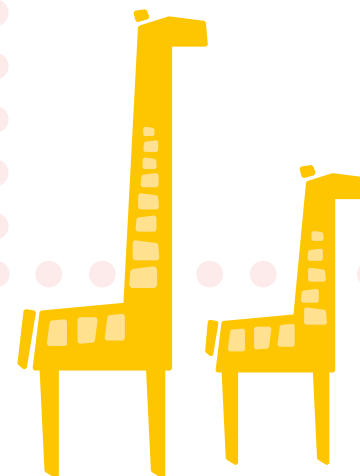


FOTO ANNA PIRELLI

## SATURDAY, 17<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Auditorium LGM  
Teatro al Quadrato, Italy  
**I LIKE IT 2+** [35 minutes]

Maria Giulia lives in a white space. Perhaps monotonous, but she likes it. In the white space, everything is possible. On a white sheet, there is nothing, but we can write or draw everything. The first sign, the first word and slowly, the space fills with our dreams.



FOTO JUSI VIRKUMAA

## SUNDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Auditorium LGM  
KO-KOO-MO, Finland  
**BLOCK THEATRE 3+** [30 minutes]

In Block Theatre, wooden blocks guide the audience's imagination. Without words, they build different worlds, and the blocks come to life in these worlds. The performance opens up new perspectives on creativity. It stimulates the imagination while the work of art takes on new layers through the unique interpretation of each spectator.



FOTO YULIYA MOLINA

## SUNDAY, 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / City Park / Art Camp  
Theatre MalihVelikih, Slovenia  
**PETER KLEPEC 3+** [35 minutes]

*Peter Klepec*, a puppet musical, brings to the fore the ever-present theme of the stronger taking advantage of the weaker. Of course, in the end, goodness is rewarded and malice punished. The performance is also about the miraculous power of love and about the heart that freely chooses the one it loves.



FOTO BOSTJAN LAH

## THURSDAY, 22<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST

19:00 / Small Hall LGM  
Maribor Puppet Theatre, Slovenia  
**DEAF REPUBLIC 15+** [45 minutes]

Ilya Kaminsky, an American poet of Ukrainian descent, is the author of a poignant collection of poems entitled *Deaf Republic* and this year's guest of the Days of Poetry and Wine festival. *Deaf Republic* is a poem about dictatorship, rebellion, and man's position in the world through the story of a deaf boy who becomes a victim of repression and a symbol of rebellion.



FOTO ANDRAZ KRÄMBERGER

## FRIDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / Great Hall LGM / PREMIERE  
Moment / Maribor Puppet Theatre, Slovenia  
**GOOD MORNING, MEADOW 3+** [40 minutes]

A troupe of musicians introduces children to living beings in the meadow: a wide variety of flowers and insects and little animals that live in holes, between the grass and reeds, and next to the meadow puddles.

REPETITION  
Saturday, 24th August at 10:00



FOTO JOSEPH MARČINSKY

## SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

17:00 / Great Hall LGM  
Puppet Theatre of Košice, Slovakia  
**NO! 4+** [55 minutes]

The performance *No!* focuses on the defiant behaviour of young children who refuse to tidy their room, brush their teeth, comb their hair, or eat their vegetables. The unconventional and innovative staging depicts various family situations. The performance is interactive and enriched with exceptional musical accompaniment.



FOTO ANTONIO GIANNUZZI

## SUNDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

10:00 / Auditorium LGM  
17:00 / Auditorium LGM  
Koreja Theatre, Italy  
**LÀQUA 2+** [30 minutes]

LàQua is a song that echoes from a mother's belly. It is the song of every creature's first journey. It is a hymn to life that is accompanied by water. *LàQua*, the title of the performance, is the sound decomposition of the word 'acqua', water, and refers to the game that accompanies the first vocal explorations.



FOTO URSKA BLOKVAL

## SUNDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / City Park / Art Camp  
House of Children and Art, Slovenia  
**FOLK TALES FROM SLAVIA FRIULANA 4+** [45 minutes]

The performance *Folk Tales from Slavia Friulana* is based on Slovenian folk tradition. You will meet a snail who wants to see the world and climbs the highest poplar tree, three brothers who set off to look for a better life... The performance combines various puppet technologies and is accompanied by live folk music.

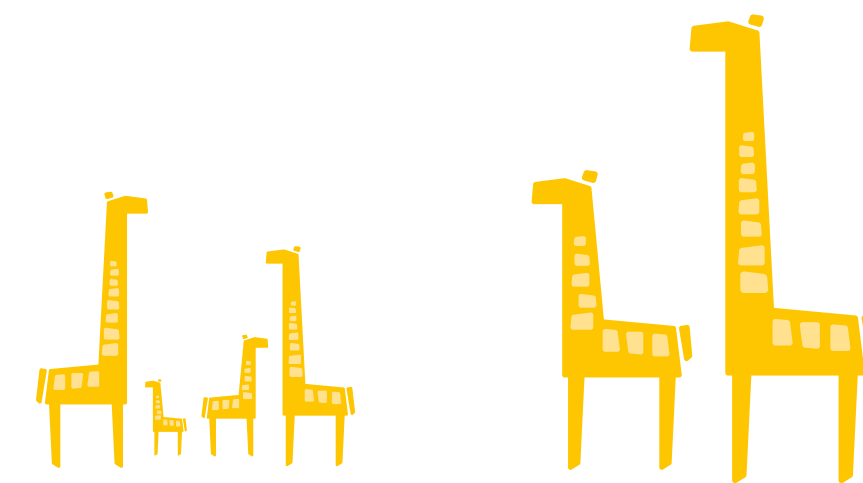


FOTO KP

## FRIDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

18:00 / Small Hall LGM  
DELAK Institute / Maribor Puppet Theatre / Trajna Society, Slovenia  
**HYDROQUINONE 5+** [45 minutes]

A hedgehog wants to travel to space. His wish seems unrealistic, but that doesn't stop him. After a long voyage, he lands on the planet Argon, where he meets small, blue creatures. The hedgehog shows us that everything is possible. After the performance, a short exploration of the world of mushrooms follows.



REPUBLIKA SLOVENIJA  
MINISTRSTVO ZA KULTURO

Mestna občina Maribor  
Univerzitetno mesto

ART KAMP UGM si RADIO SI CONA HOP HOSTEL PERANA

VEČER Radio Maribor M DNEVI POEZIJE IN VINA ... Beletrina manever M

LEKARNE MARIBOR DNEVI POEZIJE IN VINA ... Beletrina manever M

Organising committee | managing and artistic director Katarina Klančnik Kocutar | organising director of the festival Tanja Lužar  
pr activities Špela Hren Juhart | technical director Marko Jakopanec  
technical implementation the technical team of LGM

Programme booklet Summer Puppet Pier Festival 2024 | editor Tanja Lužar | proofreader Metka Damjan  
translator Nika Skok Petranovič | designer Blaž Krump | press Evrografis | print run 300 copies  
Maribor Puppet Theatre | Vojašniški trg 2 A, Maribor, Slovenia | T (02) 228 19 70 | E info@lg-mb.si