

“Massimo Bontempelli” international theatre prize competition – First Edition

Laboratorio di Scritture letterarie per le scene dello spettacolo (scene-writing workshop) at the Faculty of Letters and Philosophy of Università degli Studi di Roma “Tor Vergata”; Liceo Scientifico statale “Vito Volterra” (scientific secondary school) of Ciampino (Rome); and Scuola di danza “La Ventana” dance school of Ciampino (Rome), do hereby establish the First Edition of the “Massimo Bontempelli” international theatre prize competition, to be held in Rome at Teatro di Tor Bella Monaca (Rome) in the month of April 2008; the event will be held over three days.

REGULATIONS

Art.1 – The competition shall be reserved for second-degree educational institutions and schools and universities in Italy and abroad.

Art.2 – Each institution shall stage, in its own language, a theatrical reduction of Massimo Bontempelli’s historical play *Nostra Dea*. The production, whose running time shall not exceed 60 minutes, shall include contributions by students, teachers, and outside experts where necessary.

Art.3 – The selected companies shall guarantee their participation in the prize competition phase (2 days for the shows and 1 day for the prize awards), and shall bear expenses for travel, food, and lodging, while the organizing committee shall provide information on participating hotels and event logistics.

Art.4 –Educational institutions and schools that guarantee their willingness to attend the productions staged by the other schools admitted to the competition and any meetings held with experts from the theatre world shall be considered for participation.

Art.5 – Participants shall be selected by a commission consisting of instructors from the MILLA workshop, based on the following elements:

- the interpretation of the text to be staged; for evaluation purposes, the participating institutions shall produce the script, video material (if any) in DVD format, a technical fact sheet on the production and the interpretation made of the text, and any other information that may be of use;
- equipment used;
- human resources involved;
- experience, as gained and reported, of participation in other events.

A maximum of 6 institutions and 2 back-ups shall be selected for admission to the prize competition.

Art.6 – Liceo Scientifico Vito Volterra and its technical personnel shall be made available for the shows. The use of essential, not excessively outsized props shall be admitted. Provided by the participating institutions, the props shall be indicated in the attached sheet. Moreover, the technical details of the sound system and the necessary lighting shall be specified, as well as any other required equipment.

Art.7 – Two juries shall be established: a technical jury of Italian instructors and theatre experts, and an international jury composed of two students from each competing nation, proposed by the institutions themselves.

Art.8 – The following prizes shall be awarded:

- **First Prize, technical jury:** 1 plaque and 1 painting by the artist Dimitri Salonia dedicated to the work by Massimo Bontempelli (first place)
- **Students jury prize:** 1 plaque (first place)
- **Second prize:** 1 plaque for the second-place work
- **Third prize:** 1 plaque for the third-place work
- **Best actor:** 1 parchment
- **Best actress:** 1 parchment
- **Best book:** 1 parchment
- **Best costumes:** 1 parchment
- **Best original music:** 1 parchment

The technical jury shall draw attention to any non-winning theatrical works worthy of note.

Art.9 – Certificates of participation shall be given to all institutions admitted to the prize competition.

Art.10 – Prizes and certificates shall be bestowed in the presence of the academic and school authorities, with noted representatives of the theatre world in attendance.

Art.11 – Participation applications and the technical sheet shall be received at the following address: giovanni.larosa@uniroma2.it, by no later than 15/12/2007

Art.12 – Notification shall be made by e-mail to the institutions interested in admission to the prize competition, by no later than 10/01/2008

Art.13 – Any legal obligation related to copyright shall be the exclusive liability of the participating institution, which shall remain the sole party responsible for unauthorized use of third parties' ideas, images, or music.

The organization shall thus be held harmless of all liability in this regard.

Art.14 – Each company shall assume complete responsibility for its show. The organizers shall bear no liability with regard to any texts, music, or dramatic situations that are offensive to morality, religion, living or deceased persons, and all else provided for by the regulations in force.

Art.15 – The organizing Committee reserves the right to distribute photos and information regarding the participating institutions and their shows, through the various media.

Art.16 – Participation in the prize competition implies acceptance hereof. Laboratorio MILLA and Liceo Scientifico “Vito Volterra” shall be charged with coordinating and overseeing the entire event. The cases not provided for herein shall be resolved by the organizing Committee.

Date

Signed for acceptance