

Circostrada General Meeting

Hosted by and in partnership with Ana Monro Theatre
November 7th- 9th • Ljubljana (Slovenia)

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The Word of...

Ana Monro Theatre celebration year

The next Circostrada General Meeting will be held in Ljubljana (Slovenia) from November 7th till November 9th, hosted by Ana Monro Theatre in the course of several anniversaries and celebrations.

Ana Monro Theatre is the oldest street theatre company in Slovenia and works towards developing new traditions of this art. Cooperating with several international partners, it stages new productions, educates younger generations and organises festivals and other public events all around Slovenia and abroad. In 2017, Ana Monro Theatre is celebrating 35 years of production, 20th edition of the International Street Theatre festival *Ana Desetnica* and 10 years of ŠUGLA, a 2-year programme of informal education and training in contemporary performing and street arts. As the programme first started on November 7th 2007, the exact day of ŠUGLA's 10th Anniversary coincides with the opening of the General Meeting. To celebrate this happy coincidence, Circostrada members will be guests of honor at the Academy, organized by Ana Monro Theatre on this occasion!

On top of the General Meeting activities and work sessions this edition will focus on "Education and Training in Street Arts" in Slovenia. In this context, the participants will experience existing educational and training practices in Slovenia and will get to learn about their influence on the development of street theatre & circus and their social impact. Circostrada members will also have the chance to meet with members of the European Federation for Education and Training in Street Arts (EFETSA), as well as with representatives of Ljubljana's Department of Culture and Tourism Board. It will be a great opportunity to grasp the city's funding policy for cultural events in the public space and for those of you who wish to further explore the region, a trip to Maribor, Slovenia's second largest city, will be organized on Friday, 10th November!

Last but not least, members will attend an exciting artistic programme featuring four unique shows: *The Things We Carry* (ŠUGLA Theatre), *Ljubljana Stories* (Ana Monro Theatre), *Streetwalker* (Group KUD Ljud) and *CABARET* (CirkoBalkana).

Looking forward to welcoming you all in Ljubljana!

Nb: To give you a first taste of Slovenian culture and to get you in the mood for this upcoming General Meeting: *Se vidimo kmalu! See you soon!*

Circostrada Meetings**Meals****Artistic Programme**

Tuesday, 7 November
@ DDT

10:00 – 13:00	Pre-meeting with the Steering Committee <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i>
13:00 – 14:30	Arrival of Circostrada Members / Welcome pack <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i>
14:30 – 14:45	Welcome and Presentation of the General Meeting Agenda By Circostrada Network and Ana Monro Theatre
14:45 – 17:30	Newsround Members are invited to share news about current and upcoming projects
17:30 – 18:00	Presentation of ŠUGLA educational programme & EFETSA, European Federation for Education and Training in Street Arts
18:00 – 19:00	Informal networking <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i>
19:30 – 23:00	Short honour Academy for the 10th Anniversary of the ŠUGLA education programme / Dinner + Show "The things we carry"* (ŠUGLA Theatre)

Wednesday 8, November
@ DDT / Ljubljana Old Town

10:00 – 10:30	Warming up <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i>
10:30 – 11:00	Plenary Session: Past, Current and Futures Activities <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i> > Past and current activities: November 2017 - August 2018 > Year 1 – New Project 2017-2021
11:00 – 13:00	Work Group Sessions – Part 1 <i>DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana</i> Working session for the 5 Work Groups of the network: FRESH STREET, FRESH CIRCUS, CS DATA, CS Lab, CS Advocacy
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch <i>Park Hotel - Tabor 9, 1000 Ljubljana</i>

14:30 – 16:30 **"Ljubljana Stories"* / Ana Monro Theatre**
Ljubljana Old Town

16:45 – 18:45 **Work Groups Sessions – Part 2 @DDT**
DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana

Second working session for the 5 Work Groups of Circostrada: FRESH STREET, FRESH CIRCUS, CS DATA, CS Lab, CS Advocacy

19:00-20:30 **Dinner**
Park Hotel - Tabor 9, 1000 Ljubljana

21:00 – 22:00 **"The Streetwalker"* / Ljud Group**
Ljubljana Old Town

Thursday 9, November
@ DDT / SLOGI

10:00 – 12:30 **Simultaneous Thematic Workshops**
DDT- Dijaški dom Tabor, Kotnikova 4, Ljubljana

Three thematic workshops will be organised simultaneously.
Information about the topics will be communicated subsequently.

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**
Park Hotel - Tabor 9, 1000 Ljubljana

14:00 – 16:00 **Artistic Talks**
SLOGI - Mestni trg 17, Ljubljana

Simultaneous free talks roundtables, mixing Slovenian artists and professionals to discuss and exchange on artistic topics.

16:00 – 17:30 **Local Focus : "On the streets of Ljubljana"**
SLOGI - Mestni trg 17, Ljubljana

Short presentation of how very vivid and numerous cultural events on the streets of Ljubljana are managed and financed. With representatives of the Ljubljana's Department of Culture and Tourism Board: www.ljubljana.si & www.visitljubljana.com

18:00 – 19:30 **Dinner**
TBC

20:00 – 21:30 **Show: CirkoBalkana Kabare* / Cirkorama, Cirkusfera, Rogor Circus**
ROG - Trubarjeva 72, Ljubljana

From 21:30 **Informal networking & partying**
ROG - Trubarjeva 72, Ljubljana

Optional programme**Friday 10 November @ Maribor**

09:00 - 10:00 Presentation of Circus Next's regional initiative for the Balkans (2018 & 2020)

10:30 - 19:00 Trip to Maribor

You will have the chance to visit the beautiful medieval city of Maribor and the three key cultural institutions of the city: [Narodni dom Maribor](#), cultural centre, [Vetrinski dvor](#), multipurpose exhibition and production centre for NGO and [Hiša!](#), association for connecting artists and urban spaces in Maribor. Maribor is also the place of the Old Vine, World's Oldest Vine plant...

Indicative Price : max. 50 EUR/person*

*The final price will depend on the number of participants (price includes lunch and transport).

Please specify through the CS online registration form if you wish to participate in order to organize proper transport.

*Details about the shows are available in the Artistic Programme section, p.6.

Artistic Programme (*)

ŠUGLA Theatre: The Things We Carry

(Tuesday 07.11.17— 19:30-23:00, @DDT)



Photo: Luka Dakskobler

Human (being) in time.
To oneself (himself)
Alone and part of community
To others
In relationship with surroundings and nature.
Primal animalism.
Through movement and voice, this performance explores human dimensions.
The silenced primal within us.
The street makes people connect – with people, animals, trees.

Ana Monro Theatre: Ljubljana Stories*(Wednesday 08.11.17 – 14:30-16:30, @Ljubljana Old Town)**Photo: Ana Monro's archive*

Ljubljana stories take place in specific parts of the city, boasting with rich and intriguing history. The focal point is the architecture, attractive both on the surface and beneath, thus offering spectators a unique experience through artistic interpretation. The performance is a walkabout and probably the most attracting part of the tour leads spectators through the biggest public war shelter under the *Ljubljana Castle*. *Ljubljana stories* is an interactive performance, therefore spectators are actively engaged in certain parts of the performance while co-creating it. Moreover, interactive performances tend to emphasize an outstanding individual experience.

Ljud Group: Streetwalker*(Wednesday 08.11.17 – 21:00-22:00, @Ljubljana Old Town)**Photo: Ljud Group's archive*

Ready-made outdoor gallery *Streetwalker* directly addresses everyone, especially random by-passers, for whom contemporary art practices and hermetic gallery activities are all Greek. The

outdoor gallery is using the ready-made principles to reinterpret concrete public space and expose existing urban compositions, landscapes, installations and artifacts. The public is directly involved in the debate on the purpose of public space, the relationship between skill and concept in contemporary art and its elite status. Individual artists also conduct a series of short performances.

CirkoBalkana: Cabaret

(Thursday 09.11.17 – 20:00-21:30, @ROG)



Photo: Luka Dakskobler

Grouped together in an international famous *CirkoBalkana* initiative, *Cirkorama* (Croatia), *Cirkusfera* (Serbia) and *Rogor Circus* (Slovenia) created the show *Cabaret*, which bears an uncanny resemblance to the night at the circus, only this time without a roof (tent) over their heads. Artists are performing classical circus points in a manner that in no way resembles the traditional and yet home, worldwide but ours. Be ready for provocation, improvisation and chaos with the typical caricature.

Practical Information

1. Contacts

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2. Registration Process

Registration for the meeting is **open till October 31**

In order to register, please visit [CS website](#) and log in to your Member Space.

NB: Bookings for the hotel are made **SEPARATELY** (see P.10-11)

3. Travel Grants

A small budget is available to offer a limited number of travel grants to the members of the network. If you would like to benefit from a travel grant to attend this meeting, please send an email **before October 15th** to marion.marchand@artcena.fr.

Please note:

- The requests will be processed in the order in which they are received.
- Travel grants are of a maximum amount of 250 € and travel costs will be refunded upon presentation of electronic tickets and boarding pass (economy class tickets for flight, train, bus, car and transfers).

Reminder > General frame:

- There is a yearly budget of 7 500 € that allows for 30 travels grants each year. It covers travel costs (economy class tickets) & accommodation (not subsistence) to participate to the General Meetings of the network. The yearly budget corresponds to the work program (September to August) and the travel grants are capped at 250 € so as to allocate a precise number of grants each year (ie. 15 grants / General Meeting)
- If more applications are received than grants are available, priority will be given to those who have not benefited from a grant in the year before.
- If there is still a budget available once the deadline for applying to a travel grant has passed, the deadline will be extended.

4. How to get to Ljubljana?

OPTION #1: FROM THE AIRPORT

We recommend you to use **Markun shuttle** from the Ljubljana airport. You will find it easily in the parking at the exit of the airport, where they await passengers. You can also book it in advance - this is not really necessary for your arrival but it might be useful for your departure as Markun shuttle can also pick you up in front of the Hotel Park.

Price:

> From the airport to Ljubljana city centre: 9 € (each way)

[More information](#)

OPTION #2: RECOMMENDED TAXIS

Taxi Rondo: +386 70 900 900
Taxi Laguna: +386 31 492 299

Avoid getting a taxi at the airport or at the main train station (taxi drivers tend to charge you extra).

5. Accommodation

We suggest the following hotels:

<p>Hotel Park Tabor 9, 1000 Ljubljana Slovenia +3861 300 2 500 info@hotelpark.si Website</p>
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Although the hotel will not be able to host all participants due to a busy activity, Hotel Park agreed to put on hold some rooms for Circostrada participants. They offered some rooms between 7-10th November and some between 7-9th November.

You will find below the number & type of rooms available based on these two time slots:

Schedule: November 7-10 (15 rooms have been reserved)

- 5x superior double room
- 5x superior single room
- 5x single room



Schedule: November 7-9 (10 rooms have been reserved)

- 5x superior twin room
- 5x single room

Prices for Circostrada participants:

> 46€ / Single room

> 56 € / Double room

Deadline to book a room: October 15th

To book a room, please fill and send the registration form attached to the present email **directly to the hotel:** sales@hotelpark.si

NB: Please note that the number of rooms available at this price is limited.

H2O Hostel Ljubljana

Petkovškovo nabrežje 47, 1000 | Ljubljana | Slovenia

+ 386 41 662 266 | info@h2ohostel.com

[Website](#)

Prices

> from 14€/person up

In order to book a room, contact directly the hostel: info@h2ohostel.com

When booking, please specify you are with *Ana Monro Theatre*, you will be offered a 10% discount.

Hotel Emonec

Wolfova ulica 12, 1000 | Ljubljana | Slovenia

+ 386 1 20 15 20

[Website](#)

In order to book a room, contact directly the hotel: hotelemonec@siol.net

Last but not least, there are also a few [airbnb](#) options available in the city centre.

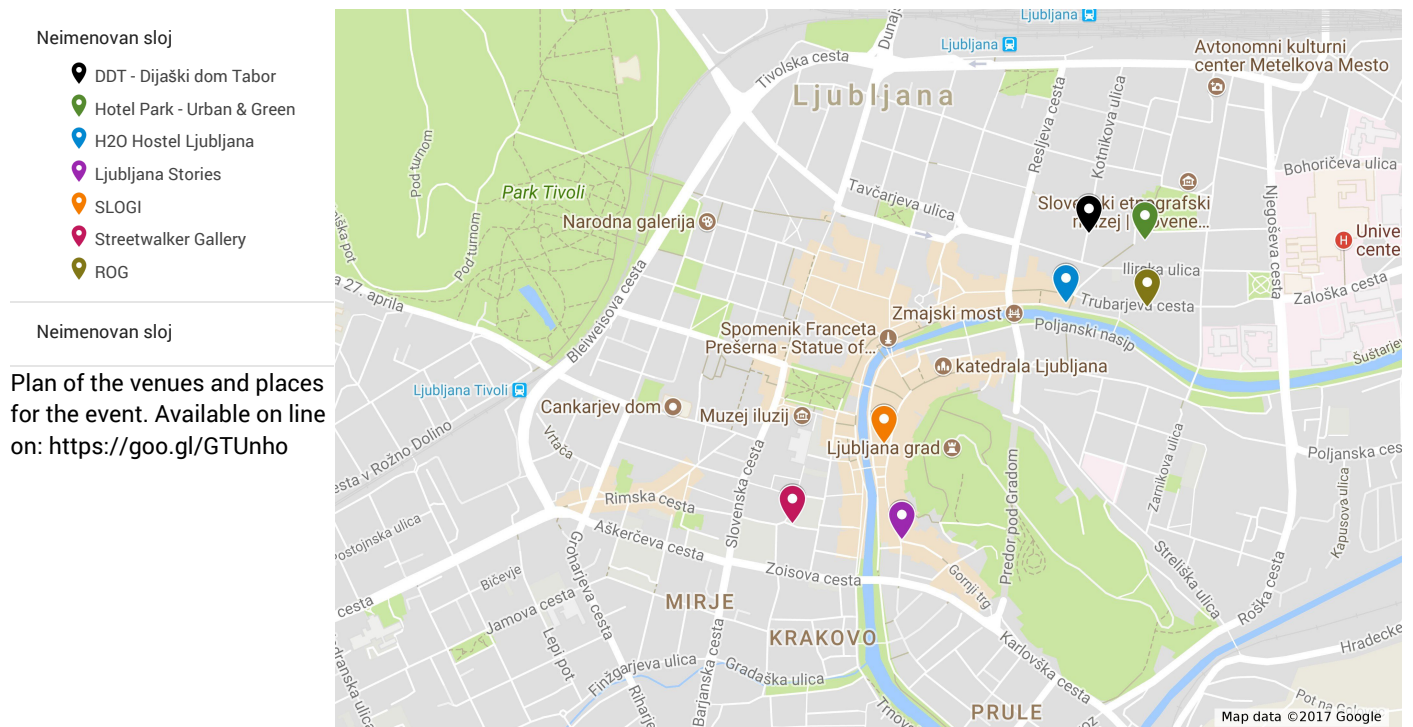
There are many good opportunities around Ljubljana. Just note that all the events will take place in the centre of Ljubljana, near or in the pedestrian zone and in the Old Town, so it would be best to take a flat in this area to avoid using transportation facilities.

6. How to get from the main train/bus station to the Park hotel and main venue DDT

OPTION #1: ON FOOT

As the city centre of Ljubljana is quite small, the best option is to go on foot (both venues are only 10 min. away)

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[Here](#) you can check the map of the city centre and spot the venues of all activities taking place during the Circostrada General Meeting.

OPTION #2: BY CITY BUSES

If you wish to go around by bus, you will need a special prepaid card called **Urbana** because you cannot pay directly on the bus.



Prices:

> Urbana card: 2 EUR

> One-way travel: 1.20 EUR

[More information](#)

8. Meals

All meal expenses during the General Meeting (lunches & dinners detailed in the programme) will be covered by Circostrada and Ana Monro on the mandatory days (dinner 07/11, lunch/dinner 08/11, lunch/dinner 09/11).

9. Performance tickets

There is no need to buy a ticket for the shows but Ana Monro Theatre kindly asks members to contribute on a voluntary basis.

SEE YOU SOON IN LJUBLJANA!

