CONCEPT

From North to West - workshop stage under the open sky

From North to West is aimed at professionals active in the street-theater scene who would like to test new productions in front of audiences as part of an on-going rehearsal and development process before releasing programs to the regular festival market. An ideal venue for experiments and novelties or for international performers to set up initial contacts in Germany.

The successful concept of workshop stage under the open sky for street-theater performers from Germany and the neighboring European countries premiered in Mülheim an der Ruhr, in the year 2012 debuted in Bremen and Osnabrück and later expanded to Löhne. The cities of Kronberg and Troisdorf joined the project in 2019, Arnsberg, Wuppertal, and Dinslaken followed in 2021.

The concept is quite simple: 2-4 performers or two groups of these will arrange an evening program to present elements of their topical acts, to experiment with new ideas and to test their appeal to audiences. The cities of Bremen, Osnabrück, Mülheim an der Ruhr, and Löhne will host the first tour week, with the second week stopping over in Arnsberg, Wuppertal, Dinslaken, Kronberg im Taunus, and Troisdorf.

The participating artistes will thus embark on a nine-day tour to nine cities, with performances scheduled Tuesday thru Friday in the first week and Monday thru Friday in the second one. The weekend is off for participants to perform at festivals. If so required, accommodation and *per diems* on the days off will be arranged for performers traveling from distant locations.

<u>Gert Rudolph</u> and <u>Markus Siebert</u> will be in charge of artistic direction, production, and organization of the project. They will put together the teams for the tours and are your contacts to answer all and any questions you might have.

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