



FORUM THEATRE FOR
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

AUGUSTUS

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"We are animals that have the privilege of being actors, because we are acting all of the time. But at the same time, we are spectators of our actions. (...) So we have theatre inside, because we act and we are the observer. We are the spect-actors."

(Augusto Boal, 2007)

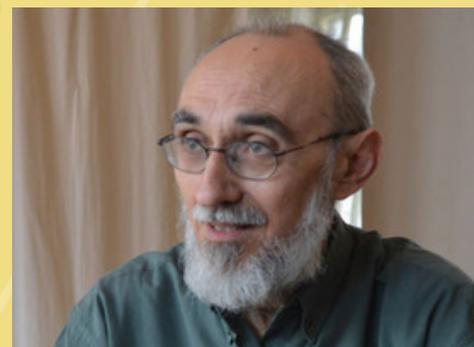
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"AUGUSTUS" is an intensive residential training designed to guide participants to plan, design and facilitate Theatre of the Oppressed (T.O.) and Forum Theatre social interventions in communities. Facilitated by Roberto Mazzini, it is aimed to T.O. practitioners, Jokers / Kuringa, social workers, community developers, educators, psychologists, human rights activists. Required basic knowledge or practice of T.O. and Forum Theatre.

How to plan, design and facilitate Forum Theatre social interventions

- Understand how Forum Theatre can be used as tool for Community Development in various contexts (Roma, migrants, convicted, mental/physical disability, marginalized youth, etc.), in the framework of Augusto Boal's and Paulo Freire's methods.
- Get insight and good practices on how to Design a social intervention in a community using T.O. and Forum Theatre.
- Macro-Design of an intervention: understand the complexity about how to plan a T.O. intervention that is effective in changing oppressions, keeping in mind the different forces that affect the situation.
- Micro-Design of an intervention: create an agenda and to understand how to plan step by step a meaningful list of activities in specific T.O. sessions.
- To establish and strengthen a network of community developers implementing T.O. in communities, also in the context of the "Home of the Theatre of the Oppressed for Hungary (HOTOH)" network.

Roberto Mazzini



Theatre of the Oppressed trainer since 1989. Psychotherapist specialized in the Biosystemic Therapy, for almost 30 years he has been facilitating TO processes based on the pedagogy of Paulo Freire in many countries on various thematics, including gender violence, intercultural dialogue, peace education, conflict resolution, communitarian processes such as with patients of psychiatric centres and with convicted people in prisons. Translator in Italian of some Augusto Boal's books, for almost 3 decades he has been training activists, social workers and Theatre of the Oppressed facilitators. Author of various publications, including "Theatre of the Oppressed as a tool for Peace Education", Founder of "Giolli" Social Cooperative: www.giollicoop.it



Macro-Design: design an effective T.O. intervention in a community

Complexity of the oppressive situations. Ethical-political filters. Negotiation under 3 point of views. Analysis of the group's needs.

Institution/organization's objectives and its structure of power. The Freire's levels of consciousness. Monitoring and effectiveness of evaluation.

Activities: participants' cases analysis through debate and T.O. techniques; group work to plan, simulation of critical points, best practices for participants.



The Theatre of the Oppressed (T.O.) method, influenced by Paulo Freire's pedagogy, was established in the early 1970s by the Brazilian theatre director and activist Augusto Boal and has been implemented for almost 50 years all over the world, using theatre as a means of promoting personal "conscientization" (critical consciousness) and social change.

Micro-Design: plan an agenda for a specific T.O. session

Planning in a team. The typical stages in the T.O. process, critical analysis of design, agenda, risks of each activity and remedies, how to prepare to co-leading, preparation about the thematic, individual psycho, emotional, physical preparation.

Activities: writing agendas, their analysis, group work to create agendas, simulation of agendas, preparation, discussion.



Forum Theatre is one of the main techniques of T.O.: it actively empowers the audience/community to explore shared oppressions and problems ("micro-cosmos", an oppressive story expressed by the community itself). During a Forum Theatre play, the "Joker"/facilitator motivates the audience/"spect-actors" to open a creative space for imagination and action, to counter oppression by acting strategies on stage, and making positive changes in their own lives, taking actions also in the "macro" social dimension.

Jokering: lead a Forum play

The Joker's main attitude and skills (Maieutics, to be able to problematize, to use Freirean dialogue, to deal with public's emotions and conflicts, etc.).

Activities: some key theoretical points, exercises to strengthen the skills and improve the Joker's attitude, simulation of Jokering.

We will have a public session in the local community, presenting a Forum play in Hungarian / English / non-verbal language.

Group creation, de-mechanization, closing

Game-exercises from Boal's 5 categories; Boal and others. Active tools to close, discard emotions, evaluate, ritualize.

Reflection groups

Reflection and elaboration of the training elements, sharing the daily learnings and reflecting on possible applications in professional and personal lives.

Activities: at the end of each day, there will be a time specifically dedicated to the reflection in small groups about the activities of the day.



Participation Fees

The participation fee is 300 EUR / 92.000 HUF
Early bird fee, until 10th July: 240 EUR / 74.000 HUF

There is a registration fee of 100 EUR / 31.000 HUF to be paid until 20th July in order to reserve your place, via bank transfer or PayPal. Once you register you will receive an e-mail containing the details for this payment. This fee is non-refundable.

The rest of the fee will be paid on spot.

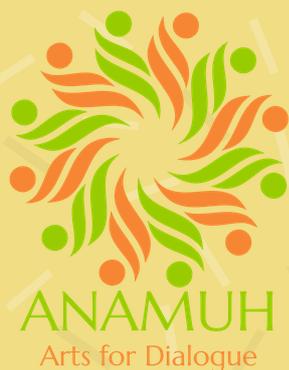
The fee includes 6-nights accommodation and full board (3 meals per day, according to dietary needs) in a UNESCO World Heritage site. It does not cover the travel costs, visa and insurance. This training is not funded by Erasmus+ or any other grant.

There is a limited number of scholarships to cover 50% of the full participation fees (no early bird), specifically intended for social workers willing to include this training opportunity in their own human and professional experience. For information please write to: scholarships@anamuh.org.

How to register

Registrations only on-line, in the AUGUSTUS website:
www.augustus-anamuh.confetti.events

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Venue

The AUGUSTUS Training will take place in the Creative Space Training Centre (www.kreativ-ter.hu), located in the beautiful Hungarian village of Hollókő, Hungary: a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The participants will be accommodated in the Creative Space, in high quality 4-bedded sleeping rooms: each room provided with independent bathroom, shower and toilet, and WiFi connection.

Schedule

The AUGUSTUS Training consists of 5 working days, 7 to 9 hours of activities each day, adapted to the needs of the group.

Arrival day: Sunday 20th August, before 17.30

Departure day: Saturday 26th August, in the morning

The training language will be a simple and easy-to-understand English.

Contacts & Additional information

For additional information visit our website:
www.anamuh.org.

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