

Recruitment Instruction for the Outdoor Carnival of 2025 the Twelfth Wuzhen Theatre Festival

About Wuzhen Theatre Festival

Wuzhen Theatre Festival is a grand celebration of performing arts. Numerous

specially invited plays include an abundance of works by masters of the theatre, all at

the summit of their creative lives. Numerous creative groups in the Emerging Theatre

Artists' Competition competing with brand new works demonstrate their impressive

energy and dedication. A nonstop Outdoor Carnival, dazzling and delightful, will

further make Wuzhen an adventure. The Wuzhen Dialogues, along with the Theatre

Forums, will offer opportunities for all theatre lovers to talk with, and to learn from,

Chinese and international theatre masters. The entire town of Wuzhen will be

transformed into a splendid stage, and theatre lovers all over the world are invited to

enjoy, and participate in, this tantalizing feast of performing arts.

About the Outdoor Carnival

All Wuzhen's a Stage during the Wuzhen Theatre Festival! Aside from the

international giants of the world stage who will grace the riverbanks, a nonstop

carnival will be ongoing in the narrow streets and small plazas of the old town.

Performing artists from all over the world will bring thousands of performances,

including street theatre, music, contemporary performing arts, traditional Chinese

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opera and juggling, and many others. Come face to face with the vitality of the Carnival and amid the ambience of Wuzhen's ancient walkways!

Application for the Outdoor Carnival of 2025 the Twelfth Wuzhen Theatre

Festival:

1. Time & Method

The recruitment process of the Outdoor Carnival will be launched from May 9th,

2025 and includes both methods of application through the official website of Wuzhen

Theatre Festival and official invitation from Wuzhen Theatre Festival Committee. The

application must be made by filling in Application Form for the Outdoor Carnival of

2025 the Twelfth Wuzhen Theatre Festival. The applicants must email application

forms, screenplays (for plays), performance videos and photos to

carnival@wuzhenfestival.cn and mail the hard copy of application forms,

screenplays (for plays) and performance videos to Wuzhen Theatre Festival

Committee. The deadline of application is 24:00 on September 12th, 2025.

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2. Performance Types

Play, Dance, Opera, Music, Contemporary Art, Crossover & Creation, and any

other type of performing arts.

Play: All types of theatrical performances, encouraged to integrate with environment

and interact with audience.

Dance: All types of dance performances, encouraged to integrate with environment.

Opera: All types of traditional operas around the world.

Music: All types of live music performances.

Contemporary Art: Installations, multimedia, giant puppets, and all kinds of

contemporary performing art.

Crossover & Creation: All types of crossover performances and any creative

performances.

3. Recruitment Instruction

The recruitment instruction for the Outdoor Carnival of 2025 the Twelfth Wuzhen

Theatre Festival is as follows:

3.1 Wuzhen Theatre Festival Committee will select performances according to their

artistic quality and the dates and numbers of performances provided by the performing

groups or individuals.

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3.2 The selected performing groups or individuals will be provided all public areas in

Wuzhen West Scenic Zone except indoor theatres as performing locations, including

but not limited to: all of the outdoor areas available in the scenic zone, spare rehearsal

rooms, temporary stages, and other available space in the scenic zone.

3.3 Each person of the selected performing groups or individuals will receive a set of

Wuzhen Theatre Festival souvenirs provided by the festival committee.

3.4 If the selection of performing time and location overlaps or conflicts among

different performing groups or individuals, the festival committee shall coordinate

according to the artistic quality of the performances. The performing group or

individuals shall cooperate with festival committee on the performing time, location

and publicity related to the performances.

3.5 Wuzhen Theatre Festival Committee will organize two grand parades for all the

Outdoor Carnival artists. The time of parades is on the eve of the Opening Ceremony

and the Closing Ceremony.

3.6 There is no limit to the form of performances. The performing groups or

individuals shall comply with laws and regulations of China.

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- 3.7 Considering the size of the performance venue, it is recommended that the number of performers in the performance team be around 6.
- 3.8 To ensure the diversity of performance forms in Wuzhen Theatre Festival, it is recommended that the participating teams perform in the whole process.

Wuzhen Theatre Festival Committee reserves all final interpretation rights and decisions upon disputes and ambiguities.

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