



AVIAMA
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of Puppet-Friendly Cities

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Once again, this year, I would like to recall the concepts that unite us, the values that we share and which honor us.

We recognize that culture is a common good of humanity. Culture plays a fundamental role for the stability of societies and of course for the fulfillment and emancipation of men and women. It represents a major asset for the development of the territories. We have a particular interest in the arts of puppetry. It is a living art that has a long history and a bright future. The puppet makes it possible to speak a universal language. We are united to support the arts of puppetry and also to support the cities and territories that participate in promoting them.

Through the puppet, we defend Human Rights, Women's rights, children's rights, peace, solidarity between peoples ... to name a few.

More than ever, in these difficult times, these times of crisis, we must appeal to our principles and our values to support the companies, artists, creators, cities or other entities that bring the puppet to life. Many are experiencing difficulties due to COVID but also to political crises.

I think of Afghanistan, especially Afghan women, artists who are forced to flee their country. I will suggest that you devote a grant to an Afghan artist in 2022.

Despite the pandemic that has been raging since the start of 2020, our association has continued its activity, it has even developed new projects, I am thinking of the Initiative Prize, the regulations of which we will be voting on during our General Assembly. Thanks to our volunteers, I think first and foremost of Lucile, our coordinator, who does a tremendous job, a precious job thanks to her knowledge of the world of puppetry and her expertise. I am thinking of Fabrice who takes care of accounting and financial matters efficiently.

I am also thinking of our service provider, Alexandra Nafarrate, who has helped us enormously in terms of communication thanks to her professionalism.

I will ask you, again this year, to relay the information disseminated by AVIAMA and to inform us of the initiatives that you are taking and that we can promote through our facebook page or our website. Don't hesitate to educate your communications departments. In the coming months, we have our work cut out for us. We already have to think about the new scholarship campaign, we have to prepare for the next general assembly in Chuncheon where I





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know that we are eagerly awaited, it is also preparing us, along with Saguenay and Chuncleon, for the first presentation of the Initiative Prize. We need to explore new avenues in terms of communication.

Finally, we need to invite new cities to join us. More member cities mean more strength for our network. To achieve this, I rely on each of us.
Thank you.

Claudine Ledoux
President

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