

"TELL ME AND I FORGET. TEACH ME AND
I REMEMBER. INVOLVE ME AND I LEARN."

– Benjamin Franklin

STET EDUCATION EVALUATION

2019

Introduction

More than 2400 students from Dutch and International schools participated in STET Education programmes (or events) in 2019 - a 20% increase from 2018! As more teachers have approached us with specific requests for their classes, we have expanded our core programme to include tailor-made projects giving even more students the opportunity to take part in our drama workshops. This year STET Education took a step towards offering more one-off workshops for adults. Both workshops *Into the Unknown* and *You Do You* were fully sold out which is very promising! We are looking forward to 2020 full of creative ideas and programmes.



Robin Hood Workshops

8, 9 and 14 January - OSG West Friesland, Hoorn

2019 kicked off with fun, improvisation-based workshops for 178 secondary school students of the OSG West Friesland. The school was producing *Robin Hood* and approached STET Education to help workshop their production. Four workshop leaders visited the school and helped the students explore the storyline, play with the characters and get a first-hand introduction to the art of acting on stage. These three days of workshops really inspired the students and helped them develop many ideas for the full production. This was the third year of these popular production-based workshops in the school!

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Free Acting Workshops at the Feel at Home Fair

Sunday 3 February - open for all children 4 -11 yrs

STET Education offered half an hour energetic improvisation workshops for families visiting the fair. There was plenty of laughter and serious acting alike during the four sessions. The children tapped in to the wonderful world of creativity when they were asked to act like animals: crawl like a snake, run like the mice and dance like an elephant. Older children had a chance to improvise monologues and perform as they met other animals in the jungle. They immersed themselves in the fun and didn't want to leave when the game was over.



Perfect Performance and Workshops

12, 13 and 14 February - Haarlemmermeer Lyceum, Hoofddorp

The Haarlemmermeer Lyceum booked Perfect - one of our visiting performances from Bristol. A beautiful show about the range of emotions that arise when a sibling finds out that there is something physically wrong with his newborn sister. A show for children about anticipation, surprise, anger and ultimately about acceptance and love. 230 students watched the show, acted, brainstormed and shared their opinions during the small-group INperfect workshops. STET is planning a whole season about disabilities in arts in 2020. Stay tuned for STET No Limits!



Themed Improvisation Workshops

13 February, 1 April, 7 October - Amity International School

Amity approached us several times this school year to devise a themed workshops for their primary department. The teachers' feedback says it all: "Thank you so much for tailoring the programme so well to fit our needs and our Unit of Inquiry." (1 April)

"A great workshop that the children are still talking about! They are independently using the games that were played in the workshop, such as Sneaky Statues. Thank you so much :)" (7 October)

They have already booked a session for 2020!



Understanding Shakespeare and Storytelling & Improvisation Workshops

14 March- Scala College, Alphen aan der Rijn

Four actors visited 60 students in the bilingual department of Scala College on a special workshop day. The teachers wanted to treat their students with fun, exploring movement, stepping out of their comfort zones and an abundant lunch party! The actors were delighted to see how much the students had enjoyed the exercises and the laughs they had. This project is a great example of how STET Education can infuse a day with original, energising theatre activities for any school.



Bill Bowers' Artist in Residence

1-5 April - American School of The Hague

This project is one of the beautiful examples of our on-going relationship with the drama department of the American School. The drama teacher of the school got in touch with us to realize a 5-day Artist in Residence with the hilarious and unforgettable Bill Bowers (US). Bill happily accepted the invitation for a week of school work with various workshops and a school performance (Beyond Words) topping it off with public shows at the Koninklijke Schouwburg for STET. Students LOVED working with Bill and all partners got a lot out of this rewarding and successful collaboration!



History Alive (theme Egypt) and Understanding Shakespeare Workshops

15, 17, 19 April - Lely Lyceum, Amsterdam

At Lely Lyceum, first-grade students *lived* ancient Egypt for a few days. They got a selection of historical pictures and used their creativity to imagine how these characters would move, act and interact with others in real life. Through a variety of theatre games, they worked on creating their own Egypt story and characters. They performed their creations to each other and had a great amount of fun!

The second-grade students had a chance to be vocal and silly whilst exploring Shakespeare's amazing sonnets. They loved it!



The Nights Workshop

4 October - Vrije School, The Hague

STET Education is always open to requests from teachers who would like to incorporate STET's programme in their lessons. The English teacher of the Vrije School did just that; he contacted us with a project he envisioned based on STET's production of *The Nights*. The project involved his students reading the script of the play, workshoping the themes and motives in depth with the director of *The Nights* before visiting the public performance. The students gave fabulously positive feedback on the whole project!



American Tales Untold II. Performance

25 November - Pius X College, Bladel

American Tales Untold II is a show of two gripping stories about discrimination and mistrust in the troubled black history of America. More than just two stories, American Tales Untold II is as relevant today as ever! It seeks to open up awareness within the young students of how they think (or perhaps don't think!) about minority and underprivileged groups in their community.

After the one-man show there was space and time for a long question and answer session for remarks, opinions and reflections on the theme.



Christmas Storytelling Performance

11 December - International School of Amsterdam

A hundred grade 2 students gathered on the floor to listen to Caja's fascinating Christmas stories. The children were beginning a unit all about storytelling and planned to be creating their own stories to present in different ways.

The teachers did a great job at preparing the setup with sparkling fairy lights and a beautifully set, one-person stage. All pupils - and their teachers! - were transported to a far-far away world where anything can happen and good always triumphs. What a beautiful way to start the Christmas season.



Storytelling and Identity Workshop

16 December - International School of The Hague

International storytellers Raphael Rodan (Israel) and Sahand Sahebdivani (Iran) are friends, despite the fact that their home countries are not on friendly terms. They like to start their workshops with this and immediately challenge their participants to think about themes like identity, international environment and where they feel at home. The workshop in the ISH was a huge success according to the teacher: "Today's workshop was fun and powerful. We all got a lot out of it. I'd love to have Raphael and Sahand come to do a performance/talk with our older students. "



A Christmas Carol Performance

12 December - Vrije School, Zeist

16 December - Keimpenerwaard College, Rotterdam

17 Dec - Melanchton, Bergschenhoek (Muiderslot)

19 December - Over Betuwe College, Bommel

For an incredible 14th year, Ashley Ramsden, Master Storyteller, returned to the Netherlands to perform *A Christmas Carol* in theatres and secondary schools. Every year the performance of Dickens' masterpiece continues to attract new fans. Lively discussions during the post-show Q&A sessions demonstrated how much the students enjoyed the performance. The Melanchton class attended Ashley's public performance in the grand Muiderslot castle.



WORKSHOPS FOR ADVENTUROUS ADULTS OF ALL AGES

Into the Unknown Workshop with Lucy Hopkins (UK) / 16-17 April 2019

You Do You Workshop with Apphia Campbell (US) / 23 November 2019



Our audiences come back with the same feedback over and over again: they wanted to do more theatre. Providing an opportunity for aspiring actors we started offering theatre workshops in 2017. These one-off opportunities have proved to be a great meeting point for adventurous, theatre-loving amateurs. The concept is simple; a professional actor sharing his/her experience, leading a small group and giving hands-on feedback. The magic of these sessions is without doubt the one-on-one support during the few intense hours of creation.

Lucy Hopkins visited The Hague to inspire everyone who dared to sign up. The sold-out Into the Unknown workshop showed participants how to get in touch with their most ridiculous self and by taking a risk, following their impulses, and finding the pleasure in being completely themselves, they can unlock a whole different level of performance.

Apphia Campbell motivated her group to find their own voice, write and perform their very own creations. She encouraged them to write and perform the way *only they can* - you do you and the world needs to hear it!

The participants instantly wanted more!

STET EDUCATION AND CULTUURSCHAKEL

Projects funded by the Municipality of The Hague

STET Education booming in primary schools of The Hague

All in the year 2019 (see table in the end of the evaluation for dates)

From September 2018 STET Education has been co-operating with Stichting Cultuurschakel to bring English language performances to primary schools in The Hague. Following the huge success of Caja van der Poel's and Sahand Sahebdivani's enchanting shows, the co-operation will continue and expand in 2020-2021 with primary and secondary school offers. In the brochure of Cultuurschakel (VONK), STET is the only organization offering English language performances and looks forward to bringing more local-international performers to The Hague-based schools.

The first full school year of co-operation was fruitful with 13 unique shows! A great example of how well these shows went is how the students of Yunus Emre (Islamic Elementary School) were mesmerized by the story of Sahand and followed him word by word through his adventures.



STATISTICS OF THE STET EDUCATION PROGRAMMING

STET Education student statistics (A - Z)

Activity	Name school	Location	School Type	Number of unique activities	Number of Students
A Christmas Carol	Keimpenerwaard College	Rotterdam	Secondary	1	98
A Christmas Carol	Over Betuwe College	Bemmel	Secondary	1	82
A Christmas Carol	Stichtse Waldorf	Zeist	Secondary	1	82
American Tales Untold II	PiusX College	Bladel	Secondary	1	60
Bill Bowers show	American School of The Hague	Wassenaar	Secondary	1	420
Caja's Christmas Storytelling	ISA	Amstelveen	Primary	1	100
History Alive, Improvisation and Storytelling	Lely Lyceum	Amsterdam	Secondary	4	120
Improvisation and Storytelling	Lodewijk College	Terneuzen	Secondary	1	30
Lucy Hopkin's Workshop	Open workshop for adults	Den Haag	Adults	1	15
Magical Storytelling	Haagse Schoolvereniging (KSS)	The Hague	Primary	2	40
Magical Storytelling	Haagse Schoolvereniging (VNS)	The Hague	Primary	2	42
Night Travel	CBS de Spiegel	The Hague	Primary	2	106
Night Travel	De Vlieger	The Hague	Primary	2	128
Night Travel	HSV VNS	The Hague	Primary	1	72
Night Travel	IBS Yunus Emre (Manelaplein)	The Hague	Primary	1	65
Night Travel	IBS Yunus Emre (Schalk Burgerstraat)	The Hague	Primary	1	98
Night Travel	IBS Yunus Emre (Van Damstraat)	The Hague	Primary	1	60
Night Travel	OBS de Voorsprong	The Hague	Primary	1	67
Perfect perf + workshops	Haarmemmermeer Lyceum	Hoofddorp	Secondary	13	240
Robin Hood Workshops	OSG Hoorn	Hoorn	Secondary	4	173
Shakespeare and Improvisation and Storytelling	Scala College	Alphen aan den Rijn	Secondary	3	60
Storytelling and Identity	ISH	The Hague	Secondary	1	21
The Nights workshop with Louise Skaaning (DM)	Vrije School	The Hague	Secondary	1	41
Themed Improvisation Workshop	Amity International School	Amstelveen	Primary	3	46
Understanding Shakespeare	Het Nieuwe Lyceum	Bilthoven	Secondary	8	190
You do You workshop - open	Open workshop for adults	The Hague	adults	1	15
				59	2471

STET Education student statistics (only Cultuurschakel)

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				13	678

STET Education student statistics (only open workshops)

Activity	Type activity	Location	Age group	Number of unique activities	Number of Students
Into the Unknown - Lucy Hopkins	Open workshop for adults	The Hague	adults	1	15
You do You workshop - Apphia Campbell	Open workshop for adults	The Hague	adults	1	15
				2	30

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT STET EDUCATION

Did you know, that...

In 2018 STET Education welcomed more than 2000 students

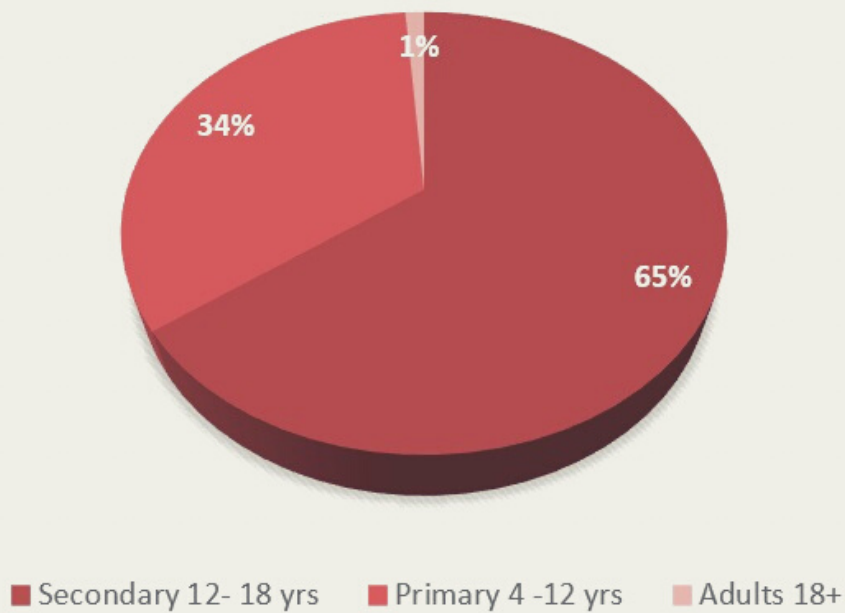
In 2019 more than 2400 students from all over the Netherlands participated in our programme.

STET Education is providing more and more tailor-made projects as teachers approach us with their own ideas specifically for their classes.

We also offer an interactive workshop specifically for teachers to make sure they know how to use theatre in the classroom.

DIAGRAMS

STET Education by ages



STET Education by school types

