

## Evens Foundation Newsletter December 2013



### Third Evens Prize for Media Education awarded to Centro Zaffiria

The focus of the third Media Education prize was 'Learn to read images' – for children aged four to eight years. The external international jury of media literacy experts highlighted the strong, sustained focus on media literacy of Italian organization Centro Zaffiria. It praised the winning project, Extramedia, for its **innovative media education activities for young children**, with the active involvement of their parents and grandparents. The prize-money will partly be allocated to establishing the i-Theatre, a novel, integrated interactive system for story-creation and multimedia storytelling, dedicated to children aged 4-10 years. The prizegiving ceremony took place on 15th November in the Maison Internationale in Paris, during the 30th anniversary celebrations of CLEMI, a centre for liaison between teaching and information media. For more information, [click here](#).

### Wim Vandekeybus and Ultima Vez, laureates of the Evens Arts Prize 2013

An international jury of seven has chosen a winner of the Evens Arts Prize 2013 out of a shortlist of 11 candidates from nine European countries, representing various artistic disciplines (choreography, writing, painting and film). The laureate is Wim Vandekeybus, a Belgian choreographer, dancer, film director and actor, and his dance company Ultima Vez. They receive the prize for their social and cultural commitment at both local and European level, their important contribution to European contemporary dance and their multidisciplinary work. The prizegiving ceremony took place on 4th December in Concertgebouw Bruges. For more information, [click here](#).

### Evens Science Prize 2013 launches exciting project on empathy

The Evens Foundation strongly believes that science has a role to play in promoting a more harmonious society in Europe. It thus supports relevant scientific research in the framework of its Science Prize. This year's scientific challenge focused on the highly exciting and fascinating topic of the **neuroscience of empathy**. No fewer than 20 proposals were submitted. The international expert jury unanimously selected the project '**Upregulating the neural substrates of empathy via neurofeedback**' of Professor John Gruzeliier (Goldsmiths, University of London) and Professor David Sander (University of Geneva). We cannot wait to see the results of their research, which will explore a new way to directly boost the neural and behavioral substrates of empathic concern. For more information about the challenge, the jury and the laureate, [click here](#).

## Evens Prize for Peace Education 2013 Building a school for peace

The Ecole Léon Jouhaux in Villeurbanne, France, received the Evens Prize for Peace Education on 20th September 2013, in the Town Hall of Villeurbanne in the presence of Jean-Paul Bret, Mayor of Villeurbanne, and Eric Debarbieux, head of the Ministerial Delegation for the Prevention of and Fight against School Violence. On the occasion of the award ceremony, the Evens Foundation invited all the selected candidates to visit the laureate school and to exchange their good practices. The pupils of the school wrote peace messages that were sent up in the air with balloons. For more information about the prize, the jury and the laureate, [click here](#).

## Evens Foundation releases 'Media Literacy in Europe: 12 projects that will inspire you'

After almost five years of work in the field of media education, reading about hundreds of projects that seek to increase media literacy in Europe, visiting dozens of them, and being inspired by their energetic work and dedication, the Evens Foundation decided it was time to create a platform for a selection of these practices. In this publication, 'Media Literacy in Europe: 12 projects that will inspire you', they share what they have discovered so that more people can be inspired by their great work, learn from them, and even integrate some elements in their own work. For more information, [click here](#).

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