"TALES ON THE ISLAND"

THE INTERNATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL in SHARJAH (U.A.E.)

21st February - 16th March 2019 Al Noor Island - SHARJAH (U.A.E.)

STORYTELLING WORKSHOPS

The Storytelling Company are happy to announce three workshops run by some of the best known master storytellers of the International Storytelling Revival.

— Booking is essential as each workshop only has limited space —

All workshops will be held at Al Noor Island - Buhairah Corniche Road, Khalid Lagoon - Sharjah

Come and learn how to enchant your audience with your words and how to create images in your listeners' mind.

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1. "THE SECRET OF THE STORYTELLER"

with **Michael Harvey** & **Paola Balbi**Friday 15th of March & Saturday 16th March 2019 / 10.30am - 3.30pm

2. "DISCOVER HAKAWATI"

with **Sara Kassir** Friday 15th of March 2019 / 11.00am - 3.30pm

3. "PHYSICAL STORYTELLING TECHNIQUES"

with Sara Kassir Saturday 16th of March 2019 / 11.00am - 3.30pm

"THE SECRET OF THE STORYTELLER"

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TWO DAY WORKSHOP IN ENGLISH

Michael and Paola will lead you on a journey of discovery of traditional folktales, revealing the power of ancient stories to:

- improve your public speaking abilities
- improve your communication skills
- learn how to pass on a message through metaphors
- discover the happiness that "once upon a time" can bring into your life
- find out the wisdom, fun and universal values that our ancestors' stories have preserved for us across the centuries.

This workshop is for you if:

- you are a performer and wish to explore the world of professional storytelling
- you are a manager and want to improve your public speaking skills
- you are a teacher and wish to improve your communication skills
- you are tour guide and want to find a new fun way to engage your customers in the local culture
- you are a parent, a grandparent, an elder brother /sister and want to find a way to pass on the values of your culture through fascinating stories, leaving your young ones wanting more!
- you are a story lover of any kind and you are still dreaming of when your grandmother put you to bed with "once upon a time"....

"DISCOVER HAKAWATI"

with Sara Kassir

Friday 15th of March 2019 11.00am - 3.30pm

335 **AED**

ONE DAY WORKSHOP IN ARABIC

A one day basic storytelling workshop to discover the ancient art of Hakawati/Storytelling with a contemporary twist and focus on the Arabic tradition.

An exciting way to experience the tools and power of oral literature.

The workshop will be both theoretical and practical with a series of exercises focusing on mental Storytelling techniques:

- improvisation skills
- how to transfer any written story to its oral form
- skills to transform an event into a story
- using the imagination
- live interaction with the audience

"PHYSICAL STORYTELLING TECHNIQUES"

with Sara Kassir

Saturday 16th of March 2019 11.00am - 3.30pm

335 **AED**

ONE DAY WORKSHOP IN ENGLISH & ARABIC

A fun practical workshop to tune the most essential performing tool: your body!

The workshop will focus on the following skills:

- body awareness (standing-sitting-walking)
- voice and sound (breath- ABC exits- 4 sounds techniques)
- eyes movement
- hands
- face expression