



Theatermuseum
Landeshauptstadt Düsseldorf

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

We cordially invite you to attend the

**International Hamlet-Conference
„Hamlet-Transfer. Stage, Language, Politics“
from October 3rd to 5th 2008
at the Theatre Museum Düsseldorf**

The conference will be the first step towards an international exhibition, that aims at contributing to the concept of a European cultural identity, using Shakespeare's „Hamlet“ as an example. tracing the play's reception through the ages, it becomes evident that it is interpreted and presented differently in each national context. These differences, along with their history, will be highlighted in the exhibition. The title „Hamlet – Transfer“ is programmatic for the conference as well as for the project in its entirety.

Under the patronage of the Secretary for Cultural Affairs of the State of Northrhine-Westfalia, Hans-Heinrich Grosse-Brockhoff, and funded by private sponsors the conference will serve as a prelude to the entire project. The Theatre Museum Düsseldorf will be the co-ordinator of the project. Co-operation partners are, among others, the Danish Cultural Institute, Bonn; the International Theatre Institute, German section, Berlin; the Globe-Theatre Neuss, and 26 members of the Société Internationale des Bibliothèques et des Musées des Arts du Spectacle (SIBMAS). The project is supported by the ZDF-Theaterkanal (the theatre channel of the Second channel of the German Television Broadcasting).

Scholars, experienced theatre theorists and artists as well as students from various European countries are among the participants and speakers. The conference and reception are open to all and free of charge. The conference language is English. Lunch, all papers and presentations are included.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Looking forward to seeing you in Düsseldorf
Yours sincerely



Dr. Winrich Meiszies

More information is available
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Conference Programme

**The International Hamlet-Conference „Hamlet-Transfer. Stage, Language, Politics“
starts on Friday, 03rd October 2008 and ends Sunday, 05th October 2008.**

**First Day – Arrival and Registration
Friday 03rd October 2008**

Guided tour through Düsseldorf (optional)
Details will be announced later on our homepage.

4 pm Registration at the Theatre Museum Düsseldorf

6 pm **Welcome**
Reception with official speakers
Keynote Speaker
Dinner

**Second Day – Presentations, Discussions, Theoretical Sessions
Saturday 04th October 2008**

9.30 am Presentations and discussions are organized in four sessions.
For each sessions two speakers have been invited - international
scholars, experienced theatre theorists and artists.

- I. Hamlet international
- II. Staging Hamlet in Europe (with examples)
- III. Translating Hamlet (one focus will be on Poland)
- IV. Mixed Media (diverse disciplines)

Each presentation will be limited to 20 minutes.
Discussion after each session.
Lunchtime and coffee breaks in between.

7.30 pm Theatre programme (optional)
There will be the chance to visit theatre, opera or dance.
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**Third Day – Plenary Session
Sunday 05th October 2008**

10 am Exhibiting Hamlet: Ideas and next steps

1 pm End

Departure

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