

My Theater of the Oppressed journey ☺

Training of Theatre of the Oppressed in Belgrade 2006-2007

Training for future TO practitioners which *Formaat, Workplace for Participatory Drama* in the Netherlands carried out first time of its kind in Serbia. *Formaat* is one of the most active organizations worldwide which uses Forum Theatre as a tool for Social Change.

My experience in Roma Settlements 2007-2008

Settlements: Radnicka 63, Roma Settlement in Belgrade and Rusanj (Belgrade suburb area); I conducted forum plays on following topics: gender based discrimination; peer discrimination of people who are different (speaking difficulties, best student in a class, etc...);

77 participants;
3 Forum plays;

Red Cross Belgrade resort Bogovadja 2007-2008

Elementary school students from socially deprived families, from 9 towns in Serbia, participated in workshops and Forum plays. Forum plays topics were gender based discrimination; peer discrimination towards poor children, children with disabilities, professor oppression in classroom, etc...

360 participants
6 Forum plays
Media covered;

TO with University students

First year students attending University of Belgrade - Faculty of Social Welfare, were included in the program for supporting Roma children in education. Project was organized by Red Cross and NGO Agenda, along with the Students attending the College for Teachers in Vrsac – Roma Language Department.

340 students
participated in TO
workshops

Non-formal TO group 2008-2011

Together with Milena Jovic, I formed a non formal TO group with 12-18 participants, that was active for 4 years. Topics were oppression in school; domestic violence; gender discrimination; discrimination of persons with HIV, etc...

12/18 participants;
4 years;
13 Forum plays;
1 short movie;
2 festival
performances;

Elementary and High Schools 2008 -2014

„Olga Petrov“ (Belgrade suburb area) all 4 classes of 5th grade;
-High School „PPUT Škola“ all 5 classes of 1st grade;
-High Agriculture School all 8 classes of 1st grade;
-Elementary School „Jovan Cvijic“ multicultural school near the biggest Roma Settlement in Belgrade. All classes passed TO workshops 2 times. Results were published.
-School for Adults „Braca Stamenkovic“ 12 classes, all grades;

1420 participants;
69 Forum plays for
peers;
5 schools;
5 Forum plays for
parents and
professors;

Teachers 2012-2014

NGO Agenda, Center for Family Support, is an NGO that I founded with colleagues, created trainings of Theatre of the Oppressed for educators, teachers and professional associates in elementary and secondary schools with aim to provide basics knowledge of TO technique to combat discrimination and violence in schools. These seminars are accredited by the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Serbia. So far we have conducted 9 seminars for 230 teachers in Serbia.

520 teachers;
16 schools;
Serbian/English/
Roma Language
Manual printed;

Certificates:

- "Power of Dialogue", Formaat 2006/2007
- "The Museum of the Unspeakable", Masterclass Brent Blair 2011.
- Legislative Theater, ApsArt and Formaat 2013.