

PALAVER 2016

*A collaboration between Contact
and The University of Manchester*

– calling for participants!

PALAVER is a festival of language and performance, celebrating new languages of theatre. Following its launch in 2005, and its growing success in subsequent years, the festival will run again in 2016, between Monday 14 March and Friday 18 March 2016.

We welcome proposals for contributions to the festival which explore links between language and performance, across a range of genres and performance forms. We welcome work exploring different varieties of English and embodied language as well as in the many other languages represented across the city and the University.

Contributions could take the form of a full-length play or selected extracts, a rehearsed reading, a devised piece, musical performance, dance or physical theatre, a DJ set, spoken word, performance poetry, prose reading, a workshop or participatory project . . .

We welcome proposals for a themed evening where you would organise performances around a particular language or issue. We want to hear your ideas, and we are particularly interested in ideas from the Chinese communities.

We are now looking for proposals from the university community and beyond for events to take place at Contact. There are three performance spaces at Contact including Space 1 which is a traditional main theatre space which seats approximately 290 and Space 2 which is a black box studio space with a seating capacity of approximately 60. Space 5 which is in the lower foyer (with a small stage) is also a performance space open to Palaver, for free non-ticketed events taking place throughout the day (e.g. readings, music), including lunchtimes and pre and post-show activity.

If you would like to know more about Contact, it's programme and the spaces, visit <http://www.contactmcr.com> or you can call Kate Catling, Programme Manager at Contact on 0161 274 0611 or e-mail KateCatling@contactmcr.com

Please contact us by completing the form below and returning it to the email address given below by 3 November 2015 (midnight) at the latest!

PALAVAR 2016 – Performance Proposal

PLEASE ENSURE COMPLETED FORM IS NO MORE THAN 2 PAGES IN LENGTH

Contact Information

Name:

Email:

Phone no:

Proposal for themed evening? yes no

About your event

Title of the event (e.g. Chinese mix, Found in Translation)

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Describe your event in no more than 50 words (this will form the basis of copy for the programme should you be successful)

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Practical information about the event

Genre:
Number of performers:
Number of performance events proposed (e.g. 3 evening performances):
Running time of proposed event:
Details of any specific technical requirement needed:

Any costs which will be incurred

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Any funding to which you have access

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Thank you! Please email this form to Thomas Despositos on thomas.despositos@manchester.ac.uk

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Please do not forget this otherwise your email may not be read.