



## News January '10

### *Many thanks from the editor*

to all those many members who continue to send in information, news and reports on events at home and abroad.

### Latest Reports

**Paul Harman** was in Brussels for [Noël au Théâtre](#). Interesting, well-made shows and enthusiastic family audiences are the results of a 30-year focus on art for young audiences.

### Festivals Guide

This is now on the TYA-UK Website [here](#).

### Academic Interest

TYA member **Karian Schuitema** is a PhD Researcher at University of Westminster, London. She has set up a very useful **Children's theatre research website:** <http://childrenstheatre.wordpress.com/>

Karian is also organising an international conference on 16 July. [Call for papers is here.](#)

**ITYARN** is the academic researcher group attached to ASSITEJ International. Below is one event this year.

**20-25 July: Buenos Aires, Argentina:  
TYA Researchers and Critics Forum**  
Submit Papers by 15 February 2010  
[Click here for documents](#)

### News Shorts: UK

**Jan:** TYA UK Board set agenda for 2010

**May:** Members' Meeting at Imagine Festival

### News Shorts: England

TYA England meeting on December 14 agreed to fast track discussion on **Peer Review**. ACE – and maybe other UK Arts Councils too – will be setting up new panels of reviewers so let's tell them what to look for! We need to talk about quality anyway. [Join the discussion here!](#)

**Tim Webb** of *Oily Cart* has volunteered to survey members about how you would like to be reviewed by your peers. Look out for a message from him.

### **17 February: Nottingham Playhouse Disability and Inclusion**

**Jenny Sealey** of Graeae heads a day of exploration leading to proposals for a UK presentation at ASSITEJ Congress 2011. [Full programme here.](#)

TYA England members **Steve Ball**, **Vicky Ireland** and **Sydney Thornbury** are on the new 8-person committee to promote the whole spectrum of drama education and theatre to Government. [Read more here.](#)

### International

Executive Committee of ASSITEJ meets during Alacala Festival near Madrid 8-13 February.

### **World Children's Theatre Day: 20th March 2010**

Every year a leading personality from around the world writes a message to support Theatre for Young Audiences.

[Orna Porat](#) is a distinguished director and Honorary President of ASSITEJ Israel. Use her message to create a press release for your local media. President [Wolfgang Schneider's](#) greeting is here.

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