

## Ruth Mackenzie

*Artistic Director Holland Festival and Théâtre du Châtelet – The Netherlands/France/UK*

- Holland Festival** Ruth Mackenzie CBE is Artistic Director for **Holland Festival**, Amsterdam's prestigious international arts festival, with her first festival in June 2015. She became Artistic Director of the **Théâtre du Châtelet** in February 2017.
- Théâtre du Châtelet**
- The Space** She was Interim CEO and Creative Director of **The Space from 2013-2015**, a new digital commissioning body set up by Arts Council England and the BBC.
- London 2012 Cultural Olympiad** Mackenzie was Director of the **London 2012 Cultural Olympiad**, and Curator of its finale, the London 2012 Festival. This official cultural programme for the Olympic & Paralympic Games was the largest UK Festival in the country's history, involving over 25,000 artists from every country participating in the Games, and over 20 million attendances, 80% of which were free. She was previously General Director of the **Manchester International Festival** and **Scottish Opera**; Artistic Director of **Chichester Festival Theatre**, Executive Director of **Nottingham Playhouse**, Head of Strategic Planning for the **South Bank Centre**. She has also been **Consultant Dramaturg** to the Vienna Festival (2007 – 2010), Consultant to the BBC, Tate, London Symphony Orchestra, Barbican Centre, British Council and British Film Institute amongst others. Between 1999 and 2010, she served as Expert or Special Adviser on culture and media to 5 Secretaries of State for the **Department of Culture, Media & Sport** in the UK Government.
- Chichester Festival Theatre**
- South Bank Centre**
- Manchester International Festival**

