

## Mark Ball

*Creative Director Manchester International Festival – United Kingdom*

***Manchester  
International Festival***

Mark Ball was appointed Creative Director of Manchester International Festival (MIF) in June 2017, where he is responsible for leading the artistic programme for The Factory, MIF's new large scale venue for arts and culture scheduled to open in 2021.

***London International Festival  
of Theatre***

From April 2009 to June 2017 he was Artistic Director and Chief Executive of the London International Festival of Theatre (LIFT), one of Europe's leading arts festivals. From January 2008 – April 2009 he was Head of Events and exhibitions at the Royal Shakespeare Company,

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establishing a new department focussed on developing new work and new audiences and from 1998 - 2007, he was the Artistic Director of Fierce!, an annual international festival of theatre, live art and contemporary dance taking place in Birmingham and across the West Midlands.

***Fierce!***

***Director Young Director of  
the Year, Clore Fellow &  
Science and Industry Museum***

Mark has been named the Institute of Director's (IoD) Young Director of the Year and was made a Clore Fellow in 2006/2007. He also holds posts at a number of arts and cultural organisations and is an Advisory Board Member of the Science and Industry Museum.

