

14 - 18 MARCH 2026 - DONOSTIA / SAN SEBASTIÁN, SPAIN

Festival Visit dFERIA - Performing Arts Fair

Open Call for Alumni of The Festival Academy

Deadline to apply: 28/01/2026

Exclusive Call for TFA Alumni

dFERIA - Performing Arts Fair and The Festival Academy invite **8 TFA Alumni** working in the performing arts field, to the beautiful city of Donostia / San Sebastián from **14 to 18 March 2026** to take part in the diverse dFERIA programme which will feature the work of Basque, Spanish, and international artists. For 2026, dFeria's international focus is on Danish creations, with an exciting lineup of contemporary dance and theatre performances.

Each year, dFERIA attracts over 700 performing arts professionals and artists from around the world, offering an unparalleled opportunity to connect, collaborate, and celebrate the performing arts. You can check the full programme [here](#). Beyond the performances, selected participants will be able to attend a curated rich programme of professional networking events, thought-provoking discussions, and informal gatherings, designed to introduce them to emerging local talent and immerse you in San Sebastian's vibrant cultural scene.

For 8 selected participants dFERIA will cover:

- **Accommodation** for 5 nights
- **Tickets** to all scheduled performances
- **Meal vouchers** throughout your stay in our selected restaurants

This is an exclusive call for the TFA Alumni community. You can only apply if you are a TFA Alumni, meaning you have participated in at least one of our training programmes in the past.

Fill out the application form and apply now. Please note that the selection is based on a **motivational letter**. If you have any questions or need further information, do not hesitate to reach out via email info@thefestivalacademy.eu

Apply here!

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About dFERIA - Performing Arts Fair

With this Festival Visit, The Festival Academy is building up on our relations with Spain and continuing the partnership with dFERIA - Performing Arts Fair, following our joint production of the Atelier for Young Festival Managers in San Sebastian 2025.

dFERIA, the Performing Arts Fair of Donostia / San Sebastián, is an unmissable event and a clear national reference point for professionals in the performing arts. Promoted in 1988 by the San Sebastian City Council and Donostia Kultura, the San Sebastian Fair is firmly committed to artistic quality in the selection and exhibition of the theatre and dance shows presented.

dFERIA, which is associated with the Coordinadora de Artes Escénicas del Estado (COFAE), is a contemporary, innovative, committed, varied and innovative Fair that continues to strengthen its Latin American and European markets. At the same time, it is an extraordinary meeting platform for different agents in the sector, which promotes multiple possibilities for the exchange of experiences and artistic contracts. With the aim of dynamising the performing arts market, mediating and interrelating its agents and providing novelty and innovation, it generates, directly or indirectly, an important volume of business.

Each edition of dFERIA revolves around a thematic axis that becomes the backbone of the exhibition and parallel activities.

Find more information about dFERIA [here](#).



Festival Visit Programme

Selected participants will benefit from **tickets to all scheduled dFERIA performances**. The programme is continuously being updated. For 2026, dFeria's international focus is on **Danish creations**, with an exciting lineup of contemporary dance and theatre performances. Find the programme [here](#).

Registration and conditions

The Festival Visit is open to 8 Alumni of The Festival Academy community working in the performing arts field. Members of our Alumni community are the ones who have participated in at least one of our training programmes in the past. If you are interested, apply soonest as places are limited.

What is offered:

- A meaningful and impactful performing arts fair **experience**
- **Exchange** with the team who runs the festival
- Exchanges with local communities, **immersion** in surrounding landscapes.
- Exchange with the **invited artists** of the festival
- Exchange with **over 700 international professionals**
- **Connection** and **networking** with **Alumni** of The Festival Academy
- **Accommodation** for 5 nights (check-in 14, check-out 19 March 2026)
- **Meal vouchers** for selected restaurants
- **Tickets** to all scheduled performances

What is not included:

- National or international travel costs
- Visa costs
- Insurance

How to apply:

This is an exclusive call for the TFA Alumni community working in the performing arts field. You can only apply if you are a TFA Alumni. Please fill in the [**application form**](#), explaining your motivation to take part of the Festival Visit at dFERIA.

Please note that we have **only 8 spots** are available for this opportunity.

[Apply here!](#)

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