

Curriculum Vitae

Alexei Merkushev

<i>Birthday</i>	<i>04.06.1965</i>
<i>School education</i>	<i>1971 – 1981</i>
<i>Army</i>	<i>1982 – 1984</i>
<i>Academy of Art`s Sankt- Petersburg</i>	<i>1984 – 1988</i>

started in 1988 with my professional work like an artist and dancer after finishing Academy of Art`s Sankt- Petersburg, before joining the famous avant-garde group "Derevo" with whom I have worked frequently over the last 20 years and I`m still involved into many pieces.

The artificial experiences that Alexei Merkushev could collect and improve in these helped him to find his own style of pantomime and sharp body language that are creating ancient pictures and strong atmosphere.

The selling and producing of events with cultural or commercial intentions has been the Focus of the last years in working experiences. The network of important and helpful structure of people and organizations was created in these years too.

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<i>1991</i>	<i>founded the theatre "OFF" in Sankt-Petersburg, where he worked like an actor and stage director</i>
<i>1994</i>	<i>closely connected with the Italian theatre company "GUASCONE", Florence. In this period were created 3 productions.</i>
<i>1997-1999</i>	<i>"ARBUZ" and "OMNIBUS" and solo-spectacles Successfully performed all over Europe.</i>
<i>1999</i>	<i>played in a various movie-productions. "SUED-GRENZE"</i>
<i>2000</i>	<i>"EXORCISM" had premier in December in Grotowski centre, Wroclaw, Poland.</i>

- 2001 *presented together with a Russian group "AXE" a new Street show "WET WEDDING" in Moscow at the theatre-Olympiad.*
- 2002 *founded with a free Italian artist Adriano Miliani "JACK and JOE theatre project"*
- 2002 *Edinburgh Fringe Festival successfully performing with the show "UNCLE WOLODJA" and LIFT "5065 Fancy a Lift?" at the. Nomination for the "Total Theatre Award"*
- 2004 *a new show with Jack and Joe Theatre "the Office", Firenze,Italy*
- 2004 *Edinburgh Fringe Festival , Participation in the show "Hopeless Games", Do Theatre, Total theatre Award and Fringe FIRST,*
- 2005 *New show with an Israelian theatre Clipa " Gadina " and participation in a few productions in Israel*
- 2005-2007 *Touring around Europe with a Hopeless Games, Exorcism, Wet Wedding. Derevo- Once, The Office Participation in the project of Derevo Mad in Japan in Dresden different shows in a different countries with a AKHE theatre*
- 2006 *New production with an Italian theatre Cantiere Ikrea, the show "Babushkas Family", performances in Italy, Spain*
- 2007 *participation in Derevo project in Mannheim " Wheel of Power"*
- Since June 2006 *till the end of 2008 in the same time Manager of the Theatre Derevo*
- Artist Manager*
Involved in many commercial and cultural Projects as Manager and Agent, involved in the world wide connected festival scene, connecting artists with events, corporations, firms and places

*Festivals "Golden Mask" Moscow, Internacional
Theatre Festival in Rybnik Poland , Porsgrun street
Festival in Norway, Brazil, Korea, Pakistan*

*Nov.2008 New production withjack and Joe Theatre **Life Back**
Premiere in Intern. Theatre Festival Lahore (Pakistan)*

*Feb.2009 Children-German Project in Moscow, School of the
German Embassy*

JOINED FESTIVALS

1999

*Maszk Festival, Szeget Hungary, Uncle Wolodja, Gerada un Gerada
Mask Festival Poznan, Poland, Gerade-Ungerade
Braunschweig Theatre Festival, Gerade-Ungerade*

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2000

*Street Theatre Festival in Warshaw Exorcism,
Theatre Festival in Thesaloniki, Greec Uncle Wolodja
,Krakow Intarnational street Festival Exorcism*

2001

*Limburg Street Festival Holland, Exorcism,
FETA Gdansk Poland, Exorcism
Szcecin, Kana theatre Fesival, Uncle Wolodja
Street festival Mercanzia, Italy. Exorcism*

2002

*Edinburgh Fring Festival, Uncle Wolodja and Fancy a lift
Nomination for the Total theatre Award
Theatre Festival in Suwalki Poland
Krakow Intarnatial Festival. Exorcism
Lublin Intarnacional Festival. Uncle Wolodja*

2003

FETA Gdansk, Poland. Uncle Wolodja
Zary Street Festival
Fridriksdat Norway, Uncle Wolodja
Estereja, Portugal Theatre Festival. Uncle Wolodja
Golden Lion Festival Lviv, Ukraina. Uncle Wolodja

2004

Intenational Festival in Tegheran, Iran. Uncle Wolodja
Porsgrun International Festival, Norway. Uncle Wolodja
Biela theatre Festival, Italy. Uncle Wolodja
Torun theatre Festival, Italy. Exorcism

2005

International Festival in Pakistan, Lahor. The Office
Theatre Festival in San Cashiano, Italy. The Office

2006

Festival di Cita, Madrid, Spain. Babushkas Family
FETA Poland. Babushkas Family
Maszk Festival Szeget, Hungary. The Office
Golden Leon Festival Lviv, Ukraina. Exorcism

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2007

Gorzow theatre Festival. Exorcism
Macerata Theatre festival, Italy. The Office.
Warshaw Mime festival. Poland. The Office

2008

Theatre Festival in Rybnik, Poland. Exorcism
Orange Elefant, Sankt Petersburg. Babushkas Family
Porsgrun Festival, Norway. Exorcism
Szcecin, Poland. Exorcism

Further skills:

European Union driver's license (up to 7, 5 t)
Skills in needed computer programs
Languages: Russian, German, English, Italian, Polish