

# FRANCO CLAUDIA

## contemporary circus performer

## Identification:

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## Career:

- Superior school of circus art "ESAC" in Bruxelles, Belgium, (September 2010- July 2013).
- Circus school "FLIC" in Turin, Italy (September 2008 -July 2010).
- Scientific hight school "E. Curiel" in Padova, Italy, (September 2003- July 2008).
- clown workshop with Rita Pelusio, Fraser Hooper, Fausto Giori, Gonzalo Alarcon.

## **Circus skills:**

Main solo circus discipline: Cyr wheel.

Secondary skills: fix trapeze, juggling (balls, clubs, hat manipulation), unicycle, acrobatics and hair hang.

Duo: Cyr wheel, juggling, acrobatics.

Dance: contemporary dance, floor work.

Theatre: physical theatre, improvisation, clowning.

## **Teaching experiences:**

#### In 2023:

- Teacher of a workshop about how to build a circus character for the circus collettive "Liberamente circo" in the city of Belluno during the festival "Clorofilla (September 30).
- Cyr wheel class at the circus school "Circo all'incirca" in Udine(Italy, March).
- Workshop of Cyr wheel at "Luftraumen", in Vienna (Austria).

#### In 2019:

- teacher of acrobatics, trapeze and juggling for children and teenagers during the circus summer camp of "Circo Fortuna" in Switzerland (from July 22 to August 9).

#### In 2017:

- teacher and artists director in the social circus project "Circo Frutillar", program of the foundation
  "Gabriel&Mary Mustakis", in the village of Frutillar (south of Chile, from April 10 to November 30). The aim of the project is the diffusion of art and culture, with a special focus on the circus disciplines. The program is open for free to young people and children of the village.
- teacher of Cyr wheel workshop in the cultural space "Nest" in Padua (Italy), "Mixart" in Pisa (Italy), "Mazunte circus festival" (Mexico).

#### In 2016:

Teacher of a Cyr wheel workshop in South and Central America at the circus spaces:

- "La gata circo" (Bogotà, Colombia);
- "Casa de las artes y del circo contemporaneo" (Mexico City, Mexico);
- "Danzaire" (San Josè, Costa Rica).

## Performing experiences:

#### In 2023:

- Participation in the show "Baignades Circus" at Lavey les Bains (Switzerland) for the company "Cia Lumen" November 14 to December 8.
- Street show at "Il villaggio della zucca di Nonno Andrea", Villorba (TV, Italy) during October for the artistic agency "Barbamoccolo".
- Participation in the show "Cyrkowcy i Gorale", Zawoja (Poland) from October 8 to October 14.
- International tour with the street show of the company "Cometa Circus".

In Italy:

- Fiera di San Matteo, Feltre (BL) October 29
- "Antica fiera di Arsego", Arsego (PD) October 15
- Festival "Gran Baccano", Conegliano (TV) September 23-24
- 16-17 Festival "Co i pié descalsi", Vascon (TV) September 16-17
- Festival "Fricandó", Correggio (RE) September 9-10
- Rassegna di spettacoli al "Lido del sole", Bibione (VE) September 7, 17 and August 4, June 3
- Festival degli artisti di strada Aosta (AO) September 1-2
- "Dinamico Festival" August 29-30
- Festival "Appennini in circo", Monzuno (BO) August 27
- "Cucú festival", Roana (VI) August 25-26
- Primo festival degli artisti di strada di Campodarsego (PD) August 15
- -"Figuriamoci festival" Seren del Grappa (BL) August 14
- Pamali Festival, Trichiana (BL) August 11-13

- Rassegna di teatro di strada di Ippogrifo Produzioni, Castelnuovo del Garda (VR) August 4, Nogarole Rocca (VR) August 10

- Festival "Borghi Maestri", Monte Vidon Combatte (FM) August 9
- Festival "Reset", Fener (BL) July 30
- Rassegna "Il mare nel cassetto", Marano Vicentino (VI) July 12
- Operaestate Festival, Bassano del Grappa (VI) July 11
- Festival "Oltre i sentieri", Stallino (BS) July 9
- Cipre Lab Festival, Mestre (VE) July 5
- "Art Festival" Numana (AN) July 2
- Rassegna di teatro di strada a Camisano Vicentino (VI) June 28
- Rassegna di teatro di strada di Carossa Teatro, Borgonuovo (BO) June 25
- "Happybeerday", Massanzago (PD) June 24
- Buskers Festival, Castelfranco Emilia (BO) June 10
- Festival "Come d'incanto", Ardesio (BE) May 28
- "Campodarsego città bambina", Campodarsego (PD) May 21
- Festival "Belluno Balocchi" (BL) May 7

- "Artisti in strada", Badoere (TV) April 30

In other countries in Europe:

- Theaterspektakle festival Zurigo (Switzerland) August 18-22
- Festival "Sladami Singera", (Poland) July 13-29
- Festival "Les nuits du cirque", (Belgium) July 8
- Festival internacional des cirque et des arts de la rue de Tunisie (Tunisia) June11-23
- Strassenkunst festival, Wien Neustad (Austria) May 12-20

#### In 2022:

- Tour in Italy with the circus company "Circo Patuf" performing the show "Soñambula" (March-October).
- Performing with "Cometa Circus" in Italy at the street festival of Codognè (TV), "Tolfarte" (RM), "Pamauro (BL).

#### In 2021:

- International performing festival "A toda Costa" in Lima (Perú) (November 27 to December 5).
- Circus show of the artistic collective "La red peruana de artistas de circo" in "La cupola de las artes", Lima (Perú), Novembre 28.
- Tour in Italy with the circus company "Circo Patuf" performing the show "Bu!" (June-October).
- Performer invited from the company "Zelda teatro" to partecipate in the show "Sguardi" organized by CNA of Treviso at "Studio Pointer", Mogliano Veneto (Italy).

#### In 2020:

- Tour in Italy with the circus company "Circo Patuf" performing the show "Volta pagina" (June-October).
- Performing in the show "Macchine all'incirca", a production of "Circo all'incirca", (Udine, Italy).
- Performer at the exclusive Venice carnival party "Il ballo del Doge", (Venice, Italy).

## In 2019:

- European summer tour with the the company "Cometa Circus" in the following circus festivals (from May to October):
- Belgium: "Namur en mai", "Esperanzah" music and art festival.
- Italy: "Circumnavigando festival", (Genova), Padova street show, Arcore street festival, Recanati art festival, circus festival of Noale, "Pamali" music and art festival, Valdemone festival, Ferrara buskers festival, "Tutti matti per Coloro", Dinamico festival, Pisa buskers festival.
- Spain: "Rototom Sun Splash" music and art festival, "Cotilleando" circus festival (Fuerteventura, Canaria Island).
- Latin America tour with "Cometa Circus" (from March to May):

- show in the city of Piura (Perú) and collaboration with the ONG "Vida sana y sustentable", performing in primary school of little communities out of the city;

- -"International circus festival of Oaxaca and Mazunte" (Mexico);
- participation at the program "Circo Ilustrado" at the circus school "Cirko De Mente" (Mexico City (Mexico).
- Performing with "Cometa Circus" during the carnival in Venice for the association D.O.V.E..

#### In 2018:

- Social circus project "International Mesopotamian circus festival", performing for children in many schools around the city of Mardin (Turkey), together with many other circus artists and musicians from all around the word (during 3 weeks in October).
- Creation of the circus company "Cometa circus" together with his partner Cristian Trelles. Summer tour of the show "Cometa" form July to September around Italy at the following art and circus festivals: "Pamali festival" (Belluno), "Dinamico festival (Reggio Emilia), "Enna buskers fest" (Enna), "Ursino buskers festival" (Catania).
- Circus performer for the Canadian artistic agency "Creativiva carribean" at the prestigious "Beaches resort" in Turks and Caicos island, performing in 4 musical shows (from January to July).

## In 2017:

- Latin America tour with the Cyr wheel act:
  - Brasil: "Festival mondial de circo do Brasil" (Belo Horizonte);
  - Mexico: "Oaxaca circus festival" organized by Mermejita circus (Mazunte, Oaxaca).
- Performing the show "Un lugar para el recuerdo" at the "First central America meeting of social art and circus" in San Josè (Costa rica) together with the circus collective "Paso Fino" (artists from Italy, Peru, Chile, Costa Rica).

#### In 2016:

- "X-mas show" with "Flic Flac" circus in the city of Monchengladbach (Germany, from December 10 to January 9).
- Gala show of the "XVII convention of circus and street art of Chile" (Isla de Maipo, Chile).
- Show "Tempo" for "La Tarumba" circus company in the city of Lima and Arequipa (Perú), season from June 15 to October 3.
- Performing at "Envision festival", music and performing festival (Uvita) and "La Machine", festival of contemporary movement (San Josè), both in Costa Rica.

## In 2015:

- "Open Stage" at "F.A.C.E." contemporary dance festival at the cultural space "Frida" (Padova, Italy, 27- 30 December).
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- Show "No sweat" with the English company "Generating company" (Stufish Productions): tour in Netherland from October 7 to November 9.
- Show "Zanny" for "La Tarumba" circus company in the city of Lima and Trujillo (Perú), season from June 17 to October 2.
- Show "Hyrrätyö", a "Moment Labor" production: tour in Germany (from April 15 to June 15) in the city of Karlsruhe, Freiburg, Reutilingen, Ulm and Bremen.
- Tour in Central America (February/ March) with the Cyr wheel act:
- Mexico: "Circus festival of Mazunte" (Oaxaca), festival "Siguente Escena" (Queretaro).

- Costa Rica: "SoloDos en Danza" dance festival (Heredia), "La Machine" festival of contemporary movement (San Josè).
- "Wonder show" in the theatre of Victoria (Sicily, Italy).

#### In 2014:

- Show "Kabaret Uniko" in the cultural centre "Karavan" in Malmo (Sweden).
- European tour (June/ December) to the following circus festivals:
- Italy: "Circumnavigando", "Ursino Buskers", gala of the roman juggling convention "CircoCentrica",
  "Valdemone festival", "Festa nei vicoli dell'antico casale", Mirabilia festival.
- Austria: "The night of the dance" in the city of Gmunt.
- Belgium: "Au bord de l'eau" scenic art festival.
- Show "Urbs" at the "2nd international circus festival of Rio de Janeiro", performing in the favela of City of God (Brazil). The show, behind the artistic direction of Michelle Man, it's the result of the project "Crece sur", and involved 15 artists, from all over south America and others places, in the creation of a circus show.
- "Radio Fesdig and his show": social project realized in Burkina Faso during one month, supported by the Belgian festival of world music "Esperanzah". A group of volunteers left from Bruxelles with the aim to create a radio for the village of Tantiaka, involving local people on this adventure. A small group of circus artists join the project and create a show to performe during the music festival "Fesdig" together with some local traditional musician.
- "Circus festival of Mazunte", performance in the cultural space of "Tierra Independiente" (Oaxaca, Mexico).
- Show "Esperanto" of "TUI Feuerwerk der Turnkunst 2014", tour in Germany with the act "Roue Vive".

#### In 2013 and 2012:

- Creation time in Montreal (Canada, November and December) with the collective group "Re- circle" (Canada). Performance of the act "Roue vive" at "Univè Gym Gala show" (Holland; novembre- dicembre).
- European tour (July- October):
  - Italy: "Ibla Buskers" (Rabusa), "Equilibri" (Bologna), "Brocante" festival (Frisanco).
  - Lituany: festival "Circas ne vaikams" -circus not for children- ( Vilnus).
  - Germany: international circus festival "Sol y Circo" (Sylt).

- Belgium: circus festival "Hoplà" (Bruxelles), "Jam in Jette" (Bruxelles), music and street art festival "Esperanzah" (Floreffe).

- Austria: art festival "Spiel" (Andorf).
- Spain: "Deltebre danza" contemporary dance festival (Deltebre).
- Show during the formation in the circus school "ESAC":
- personal project "Ella" in the show "EXIT 12" (June 2013);
- collective show "Tchinnn" (December 2012);
- collective show "Accidente" (December 2011).

#### In 2010:

- Creation of the company "IACA QUARTET", the show "Cyrcollasso" won the third place at the festival "Brocante" in Frisanco (Italy).
- Show "Città vuota" with the circus school "Flic": performing in Turin, at the circus festivals "Mercanzia" in Certaldo and "Mirabilia" in Fossano (Italy).