**Program of the Festival of the Nineth Art**

**December 2021**

**December 21st – opening of the exhibition of selected works from the International Comic Strip Competition 2021** (award ceremony and discussion with members of the jury)

*We talk, create and dream awake* with Tamara Lujak, Zoran Stefanović and Lidija Seničar; Creative workshop on dreams in the comic strip “Narration” and examples of animated films for children and by children, in cooperation with the International Festival “MultiMost Fest”.

**December 25th, Saturday, 10 – 12 h – How is a caricature created?** Traditional practical and theoretical workshop with the participation of young illustrators and caricaturists moderated by Mileta Miloradović, caricaturist and art teacher. This is a workshop for children and the young.

**Wednesday, December 29th**

16:00 – **Annual Assembly of the Association of Comic Strip Artists of Serbia (USUS)**

18:00 – **Opening of the yearly exhibition of the Association of Comic Strip Artists of Serbia and additional exhibitions: “Lobačev: Čardak i na nebu i na zemlji”** selected by Zdravko Zupan and

**“Zagor iz našeg sokaka” (*Zagor from our street*)** (V) selected by Svetozar Anđel

**December 28th – 30th, from 12:00 to 14:00 – animation workshops “Let’s Bring our Heroes to Life”**

Participants of the workshop have the opportunity to get acquainted with the basic film techniques and the concept of ANIMATION! At the animated film studio of the Children’s Cultural Centre of Belgrade, workshop participants bring their hero to life through classic 2D drawn animation with the help of the animation desk and stop-trick technique – they bring their heroes to life through plasticine modeling, recording with a digital camera linked to the Dragon Frame animated program. This workshop aims to promote the traditional (classical) animation, moderate the influence of digital technologies (computers, video games), encourage creativity and exercise attention necessary in each segment of education.

Author Marija Milanović Lazarevski, animated film director

**January 10th – 13th 2022 – Mini-Festivals for Children and the Young**

These festivals include promotions and forums, a virtual exhibition on the USUS web page and short film projections.

At the Gallery of the Children’s Cultural Centre of Belgrade, organized by the Association of Comic Strip Artists of Serbia:

Mini festival “Gašin sabor,” festival of humorous, caricature and family comic strip.

- Mini festival “Striposlavija: Susreti u slavu slovenskog stripa” (*Striposlavia – Encounters honoring the Slavic comic strip*)

- Mini festival “Azija, slika koja pripoveda: Azijski strip i animacija” (*Asia, a narrating picture: Asian comic strip and animation*)

- “A Hero Made of a Thousand Clouds – comic strip as a mono-mythical journey through one’s own life,” educational and entertaining lecture for high-school and university students.