

## **Festival De Betovering is on!**

**Friday the 16th to Saturday the 24th of October 2020**

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The organization managed to realize an adventurous and safe programme with coronaproof theatre- and dance performances, films, music, workshops and street theatre. This year of course extra attention is being paid to avoiding crowds at the festival locations, routing, additional hygiene measures plus a smart and safe seating-plan in the theatres, museums and other cultural institutions. Sometimes very inventive: in one of the performances, the audience sits, headphones on and a viewer in hand, in a Ferris wheel!

### **Safe and according to the guidelines**

The guidelines of the RIVM are being followed at the festival locations. The youth-theatre-protocol stipulates that adults sit and stay 1.5 meters apart and that children up to the age of 12 may fill in the space in between. Hygiene and walking routes have been considered in and around the buildings, both for the public and for the cast and crew. Should the corona measures be tightened again, there is an alternative available for almost all program components.

### **The power of imagination**

Suzanne Verboeket, festival director: "The Enchantment is all about the power of imagination. Certainly this very year we want to invite children to use their imagination in response to the limitations and uncertainties of our time. Together with our cultural partners, no effort was spared to create an Enchantment in which the health of the public and employees has priority. With all the inventiveness and flexibility that entails. This will probably be the most special and adventurous Enchantment ever."

### **[www.debetovering.nl/en](http://www.debetovering.nl/en)**

Check out the website for the programme (available from September 6th onwards), for the COVID-19 safety measures and to book your tickets for this year's best performances and workshops!

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Website: [www.debetovering.nl](http://www.debetovering.nl) and [www.debetovering.nl/en](http://www.debetovering.nl/en)

High-resolution image material: <https://www.debetovering.nl/professionals/pers-en-media>

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**Where:** at 55 cultural institutions in and around The Hague  
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