

Francesca Mari

Circus Artist & Project Manager

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EDUCATION

Graduated in Geography Science (Literature and Philosophy) at Alma Matter Studirum Bologna (Erasmus university exchange in Bruxelles)

Circus School: degree in 2014 Flic Scuola di Circo -Torino-

Certificated Pre & Post-natal coach

(CPPC certification by GGS internationally recognized)

Spoken Languages: Italian (mother language)English, French, Spanish.

SKILLS:

Contemporary Circus Artist: juggling

Project Management

Social Media Management

Windows, MacOS, Office, mail, drive, cloud, Canva...

WORKING WITH:

Gandini Juggling (UK)

Lanciarte A.P.S. (IT)

Teatro Nucleo (IT)-former actress

Upswing aerial (UK)-former juggler

GOP Varietè Hannover (DE)- former juggler

CircusMash (UK)-former juggler

Circo Inzir (IT)

FoolsdelightCircus (UK)-former juggler

SPORT & ACTIVITY: Contemporary dance and Ballet

Running, saxophone

BIO's

Francesca Mari, juggler and street performer, has more than 15 years international performance experience. She tours her own work alongside performing internationally with a wide range of critically acclaimed circus companies, directors and choreographers. Francesca draws from this experience, working with an extensive variety of physical disciplines and teachers in a range of environments, to make personal and innovative work.

Francesca work with Gandini Juggling Company since 2013, performing in "Clowns and queens", "Smashed", "8songs", "Meta", "Smashed 2" and the Olivier Award winning Opera "Akhnaten" ENO production at the London Coliseum. In 2017 she performed at the GOP Varietè theater in "Metropolitan". Her solo show TANGLE..in the womb of a juggler is currently on tour internationally. An experienced street performer, Francesca has worked in the outdoor- arts scene since 2008 performing in numerous street arts festivals internationally. "Circo a puà" one woman street show and "Rock'A'rella" a rock street show are currently on tour. is still touring. Experienced juggling and movement teacher she give workshop and masterclass internationally.

With Chris Patfield she founded Lanciarte APS, a company that work on the Contemporary Circus field, on the production, creation and diffusion of shows and that promote the organization of cultural events.

COMPANY AND PROJECTS

2025: Artistic direction of Vanoi Buskers Fest (supported by Caritro, Comunità di Primiero e Vanoi), and youth project DIETRO LE QUINTE (supported by PIANO GIOVANI Primiero)

2023: New street show "Rock'A'Rella" on tour.

2023: Selected for the project "La Donna Cannone" by company Nando e Maila, in wich start the creation of the new street show "Rock'A'Rella"

2022: Creation of the company and association LanciArte aps, co-created with Christopher Patfield. Lanciarte Aps is a production and creation company of contemporary circus shows and events.

2022: Tangle..in the womb of a juggler, presented show in school Ladine in Pozza di Fassa in ollaboration with Circensema and InOut Fassa for awareness campaign on gender violence.

2022: Performer and juggler in the show "HAG.. an ode to witches" by FoolsdelightCircus, Oxfordshire (UK)

2022: "Tangle..in the womb of a juggler" part of the shows of SOLO BUT NOT ALONE project, the show keep touring as the project is growing.

2021: Actres in the Show "Quina Shemor" produced by Teatro Nucleo (IT)

2019: Starting the creation of solo piece: "TANGLE.. in the womb of a juggler" supported by RSDG Flic Circus School of Turin with Call SURREALE, "Maeson de Jonglage" Paris, residency program, Centre de Création "Les Jonc' Alles' residency program, Murialdo Theater of Turin,

Corte Ospitale of Reggio Emilia and Dinamico festival, Jackson Lane Theatre London, Fish Island Circus: personal studio and rehearse space. @fishislandcircus2019: Collaboration as "Object manipulator expert" for Upswing aerial company (UK) project "SEASONS".

2019: Juggler for the show: Smashed II, turning the tables, Gandini juggling company.

2019: Personal project "TANGLE" winner of the Call Surreale, supported by RSDG Flic scuola di circo Torino.

2019 feb/march: Juggler in the Opera Akhnaten, revival in London Colosium.

31/01/2019: Presentation of "NON SONO" juggling duet with Christopher Patfield as part of Resolution festival 2019 at The Place, London

2018: Presentation of full show "NON SONO" at festival 2 mondi Spoleto with Mama Umbria.

2017/2018: "NON SONO"residences:

Terminal17 osted by Circo all'Incirca, Udine IT. Working with dance and choreographer Marta Bevilaqua. (4th-17th dec.)

Maison de jonglage Paris (2nd-13th jan.)

Villa Pini Bologna (15th-29th april)

2017: 21-23/11 "Group of research for foot juggling discipline", London.

2017: august/october Juggler for the Show "Metropolitan" at GOP Varietè in Hannover.

2017:Creative residence: "NON SONO" with Chris Patfield winner of the residence in La-Mama Umbria Spoleto june 2017, final presentation on 21/06/2017.

2017: 13/05 Juggler for "Virtual reality and Circus" project by Remy Archer at NCCA LONDON.

2017: join the Company CircusMash Birmingham for the show Manoken.

2016: Juggler and actor for the Opera "Aknathen"(Oliver award winner), Philip Glass music, English National opera, Director Phelim McDermott, choreographer Sean Gandini.

From february 2014: join the company Gandini juggling, participations in: "Smashed", "Clowns and queens", "Smashed2". Creation and participation in the show "8 songs" and "Meta".

2014: Co. Actress and juggler in the company "Steampunk Parade" (www.steampunkparade.eu)

2013/2014:

Preparation and presentation of the project with Rhythmic Balls and sofa on wheels to circus school Flic.

January 2013: Collaboration with Mattia Frattini for the project "Cerbero domatore" - feet juggling and funny moments.

2011: Founded with other artists the "Circo Inzir" company ...

creating a cabaret for the fi-

nancing of the company's journey in the Sahara desert and other project (facebook: cir-

coinzir www.arterego.org/circoneldeserto www.circoinzir.wordpress.com)

2011: Founded Co. "Clavette or die". Whit Nicolò Antioco Ximenes. Juggling: clubs passing.

2010: presentation of performance "BLURG". Clubs: juggling and antipodisme. In various

cabaret in Brussels.

Organizer and artist of BUSKERS PIRATA festival in Bologna (myspace.com/bolognabuskerspirata).

PERSONAL WORKS TOUR (solo work):

2023: Circumnavigando Festival, Genova (IT): "TANGLE".

2023: Giornata del Teatro di ArteVen, Teatro Momo: "Circo a puà".

2023: Ursino Buskers Festival, Catania: "Rock'A'Rella"

2023: Cirk Fantastik, Firenze: "TANGLE".

2023: Festival Tutti Matti per Colorno : "Rock'A'Rella".

2023: Ponticelli Sabino : "Rock'A'Rella".

2023: Tutti Matti in Emilia, Felino (PR): "Rock'A'Rella".

2023: Immaginarina Festival, Calalzo di Cadore : "Rock'A'Rella".

2023: Anteprima Muja Buskers, Gorizia: "Rock'A'Rella".

2023: Notte delle Streghe San Giovanni in Marignano: "Circo a Puà".

2023: Anteprima circe Dolomites Festival, Vigo: "Rock'A'Rella"

2023: Gala at ACDC (Convention di Celleno) with extract "the Seed"

2023: Compere for the festival ARENA Buskers Park

2023: Carnevale di Cortina D'Ampezzo: "Rock'A'Rella"

2022: Con Circensema: "TANGLE" e repliche per le scuole

2022: Foolsdelight Circus: Juggler in the show "HAG an ode to witches"

2022: Circomedia, Bristol (UK) - "TANGLE"

2022 : Cirkusfera festival Belgrade (SRB) - "TANGLE"

2022 : INAC festival SBNA (PT) - "TANGLE"

2022: Reggio Emilia (IT)- "Circo a puà" one woman street show

2022: Venaria Reale, Torino (IT) - "TANGLE"

2022: Festival Trengo (PT) - "TANGLE"

2022: Terminal Festival, Udine, "TANGLE"

2022: Ipercorpo Festival, Forlì, "One woman street show"

2022: Jacksons Lane Theatre, London, "TANGLE"

2022: Rassegna Polimorfa, Valchiussella, "TANGLE"

2022: Equilibri Festival, Bologna "TANGLE"

2022: Rassegna Le magnifiche Utopie, Ferrara, "TANGLE"

2022: Flic Festival, Torino, "TANGLE"

2021: Claps La Strada winter, One woman street show.

2021: Circo Paniko a Bologna, "TANGLE"

2021: Totem festival, Ferrara, "TANGLE"

2021: Dinamico Festival, Reggio Emilia, "TANGLE"

2021: Appennini Circo, Bologna, One woman street show.

2021: Dolomites Festival, Val di Fassa, One woman street show.
 2019: Festin strada Sabbio Chiese, Claps, one woman street show.
 2019: "Chapéus na Rua" Festival Lisbon PT, one woman street show.
 2019: Gran Galà Poitiers convention FR.
 2019: Gala show Bigoud'n'Jongle convention FR.
 2019: "Flumen Festival" Jesi, one woman street show.
 2019: "Artisti al lavoro" Alba, one woman street show.
 2019: "Asfaltart" Festival Merano, one woman street show.
 2018: "Tutti matti per Colorno" festival, street show "Circo a puà".
 2018 Gran Galà "Berlin Juggling convention"- Solo F
 2018: Edinburgh Fringe (UK), street show "Circo a Puà".
 2018: Festival 2 mondi Spoleto, PaMa's company "NON SONO".
 2017: Festival dell'Invisibile, Mantova (IT), street show "Circo a puà".
 2017: Gallura Buskers Festiva, Santa Teresa di Gallura (IT), street show "Circo a puà".
 2016: Doca Devissez festival, UK, street show "Circo a pua".
 2016: Gran Galà equilibri, Casalecchio di Reno, "spirito delle cose inutili".
 2016: Festival dell'invisibile, Mariana Mantovana, "Circo a pua".
 2016: "Magie al borgo", Costa di Mezzate, street show "Circo a Pua".
 2015: Ibla Buskers, Ibla, Sicilia, street show "Circo a Pua".
 2015: Strà Festival, Milano, Street show "Circo a Puà", and foot juggling act: "spirito delle cose inutili".
 2015: Festival "Tutti matti per Colorno", Colorno, Street show: "Circo a puà".
 2014: Forcè- street festival in Marche.
 2014: Dinamico Festival, Reggio Emilia.
 2014: Mirabilia, european festival in Fossano- presentation of project Steampunk Parade.
 2014: Altarte, street festival in Modica- Sicilia.
 2014: Sarzana. Cabaret CircoinZir e workshop of antipodisme.
 2013: Roncitelli Buskers Festival, Senigallia, Marche.
 2013 Gran Galà in "convention Romana" whit clubs act- "Blurg".
 2013 Gran Galà in convention of Lyon (France) Abdd whit "Blurg".
 2013: Naskers Festival, Naso Sicilia.
 2013: Montecchio Unplugged, Reggio Emilia.
 2013: Bunden Buskers, street festival in Bondeno, Ferrara.
 2013: Altarte, street festival in Modica, Sicilia.
 2013: San Giorgio di piano buskers festival.
 2012: Buskers festival Montecchio Unplugged, Montecchio (IT).
 2012: Festival a San Giovanni in Persiceto-Bo.
 2012 Open stage in juggling convention in Bruxelles, whit co. Clavetteordie.
 2012 Gran Galà in Malo juggling festival whit co. Clavetteordie.
 2012 Gran Galà in Gaggiano X Jugg 2012 whit clubs act- "Blurg".
 2012: Street festival in San Giorgio di Piano-Bo.
 2012: Cabaret CircoinZir in Buskers Pirata festival- Bologna.
 2012: Street festival in Fellonica (IT).
 2011: Svicolando Festival in Subiaco (Roma).
 2011: Buskers festival Montecchio Unplugged, Montecchio (IT).
 2011: Festival arte di strada a Montegridolfo (IT).
 2010 and 2011: Bunden Buskers, street festival in Bondeno-FE.

OTHER WORKS EXPERIENCE

2023: Francesca Mari and Chris Patfield head teachers of the pedagogic project "Intrecci di Ritmo", in collaboration with ArteVen and Teatro Mom of Mestre (IT).

2023: Teaching Juggling and object manipulation Workshop for the project "Periferie Attive" collaboration between Lanciarte APS, Associazione CARPA e Teatro Ncleo.

2023: Teaching the Workshop Floor juggling.

Teaching Object manipulation for the project "La Donna Cannone".
at Spazio Midulla, Catania (IT).

2023: External eye for the Company "LeVamp", show Pink Punk, Residence in Camere d'Aria, Bologna.

2023: Social media Manager for Solo but not Alone project. @solobutnotalonecircus

2023: Organisation of ARENA Buskers Park, first festival of contemporary circus and street theatre in Polesine, Santa Maria Maddalena (RO).

2023: Production Manager of Christopher Patfield new solo project "About Round", winner of Trampolino Borsa 2022 and selected for the Vertigo 2024 Residency program.

2023: Head and teacher of the Youth Circus course of Lanciarte APS.

2022: Creation of the Company and Association LANCIARTE APS with Christopher Patfield.

2022: Teaching the Workshop Floor juggling masterclass at Circomedia (UK)

2022: Teaching the Workshop Floor juggling masterclass at Inac, Porto (PT)

2022: Teaching the Workshop Floor juggling at Circobalkana, Belgrade (SERBIA)

2018: Teacher with Christopher Patfield of the workshop "THE JUGGLING BODY" . Took place in Edinburgh associated with SharEDCircus and in Bologna associated with associazione Arterego.

2017: Teaching foot juggling at National Centre for circus arts, two classes.

October 2011 - February 2012: Teacher of Juggling and Objects manipulation in "Spazio In Due" -Bologna-

08/09/2012: Juggling and Unicycle Performer for Golden Lady's Tv Advertise in Gardaland Park -Italy-

06/06/2011: Juggler in a dance show at "Teatro Celebrazioni" in Bologna.

2008-2011: Organization of "Buskers Pirata Festival" in Bologna, self-founded and self-managed Festival

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

2026: Workshop con SVOLTA/ Fondazione Caritro: progettare oltre il bando.

16-17/12/23: Workshop "Conflict Mouvements" with Sabrina Gargano and Rafa Jagat, Palestra M2, Ferrara, IT.

24-26/11/2023: Workshop of Light Design with Franco Campion , CF Luce, at Teatro Nucleo (FE).

2023: Selected for the project "La Donna Cannone" by Compagnia Nando e Maila, aiming to develop a personal project with the direction of different Tutors: Gonzalo Alarcon, Alessandro Maida, Nando e Maila.

25-26/03/2023: Workshop di Clown con Fausto Giori, Cà Bigia circus house, Vignola (IT)

29-30/04/2022: workshop "Atleti dell'anima" by Teatro Nucleo, Ferrara

13-20/04/2019: Creation workshop with Firenze Guidi, "Opium" take me somewhere good.

1/10/2018-5/10/2018: Workshop "The language of objects" with Benjamin Richer, Berlin, Katapult.

22/01/18-26/01/2018: Workshop with Nicanor de Elia, Bruxelles, Garage29.

2017: 21-23/11 Co-organization of "Group of research for foot juggling discipline", London.

19-22/04/2017. Workshop Clown-Le corp virtuose. Josh Houben.Paris

24-30/03/2017 Workshop: Dance & Existence / BUTOH workshop with Jean Daniel Fricker & Celine Angele.

Workshop: 28-29/01/2017 whit Sakari Mannisto and Emma Lister, juggling and movement

Workshop: 6-10/09/2016 whit Denis Paumier (cie. Les objects volants)

Expériences autour de l'écriture du jonglage, clôturés par une rencontre avec le public.
 Workshop: Jef Jhonsons, clown, Ass. Il Circo Verde, (VT) 5-8/05/2016.
 Masterclass juggling workshop whit Tony Pezzo 31/10/2015 Londra.
 Workshop of antipodisme whit Nata Galkina. In La Granerie Toulouse from 5/12/14 to 10/12/14.
 Creations: Whit Co. Atempo Cirq and Roberto Magro in Barcellona from 19/05/2014 to 25/05/2014.
 Circus scholl in Torino: Flic 2013/2014. Studing juggling whit Giulio Lanzafame, Workshop whit Florent Le stage.
 Workshop: Handstand whit Gaby Corbo, in "Capanoone" Bologna from 10 to 12/05/13
 Workshop: Manipulation and balance whit Edoardo De Montis, in "Capanoone" Bologna from 16 to 18/04/2013.
 Stage: Tap Dance whit Alessandro Gelsi. In "Capanoone" Bologna from 8 to 10/02/2013.
 Workshop: Chinese pole whit co. "Bonobi" in "Capanoone", Bologna January 2013.
 Stage: "Gli attori suonati 2" Clownerie e musical pantomime. Whit Giuseppe Vetti. In "Capanoone" Bologna dal january 2013.
 Stage: "clown, comic identity of body" whit André Casaca. November 2012.
 Stage: The comedian and humor . Searching for their own individual comic mask .Whit Domenico Lannutti from 16 -18/11/2012.
 Stage: Clown e musical pantomime whit Giuseppe Vetti. May 2012.
 Class: Clown. whit Giorgio Formenti. Modena. from November 2011 to March 2012.
 Class: "Rant Actor" whit Sandra Cavallini. Bologna. from October 2011to january 2012.
 Course: Preparation to professional work of stuntman. Whit IImago Agency, Milano. November 2011.
 Stage: "Masque Neutre" whit Micheline Vandepoel. Espace Catastrophe- Bruxelles. from 18 to 22 april 2011.
 Stage: Juggling (manipolation et passing) whit co. "Mouvement Alert". Luvain La Neuve- Belgique. April 2011.
 Course: Neutral Mask. "Introduction aux Jeux Masqués (Le Masque Neutre)". Teacher Paulino Alvarez Rodriguez. Studio Van AA (art-t) from february to may 2011.
 Course: Clown. Form 1 and 2 whit Micheline Vandepoel, Espache Catastrophe from september 2010 to may 2011.
 Stage: Danse. "Exploration du mouvement. Le corps entre autre(s)." Whit Alessandra Coppola. Espace Catastrophe from 1/11/10 to 5/11/10.
 Stage: juggling, antipodisme and body expression whit Emilia Tau. June 2010 Bologna.
 Workshop: Technique and choreographic composition with clubs by Emiliano Sanchez Alessi . Search on the form , space and energy of movement .May 2010 Bologna.