



Nové Scény

2026 | France - Czech Republic - Ukraine

A European project for youth

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Nové Scény is our European project that focuses on learning French through artistic practice. It consists of two main components: international theatre festivals and reading aloud competitions. This project aims to promote artistic practice, language learning and intercultural exchanges between young people of different ages.

"We want to showcase the universal nature of theatre, as well as the importance and influence of the French-speaking world around the globe."

– Eric Cénat, Artistic Director of Nové Scény



Our company

Founded in 1986 by Éric Cénat, the Théâtre de l'Imprévu is a professional theatre company based in Orléans, France. It develops shows and dramatised readings, as well as cultural activities in schools, associations and prisons. The company has worked in the Czech Republic for over fifteen years and has experience of international projects, having worked in fourteen countries.

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Festivals

From 12 to 16 April 2026, two festivals will take place in Pardubice, Czech Republic, where troupes from Europe and beyond will present their plays on a professional stage. Participants also attend theatre and multilingual workshops. The festivals feature highlights for young people, such as an open stage and a closing night.

Velké Scény (formerly Frankoscény) will welcome high school troupes and, for the first time, Malé Scény will welcome middle school troupes.

Become a Nové Scény partner

Above all, becoming a partner in our project means:

- being associated with a cultural and artistic project for young people;
- supporting a youth mobility project on a European (or even international) scale;
- promoting your organisation and your values on an international scale;
- highlighting your involvement in the region and raising your profile among different audiences.

Reading aloud competitions

Reading aloud competitions are organised in the Czech Republic and Ukraine. These competitions invite French learners from both countries to record themselves reciting French poetry, giving them the opportunity to express their creativity.

Each participating institution selects three finalists, who come together to present their work and participate in workshops on expression, reading and linguistics.

Our commitments

- Display your logo on our physical and virtual media (posters, programmes).
- Promote your organisation on our social media (dedicated section for presenting our partners).
- Include you in our press campaign, mentioning you in the press release and press kit.
- Invite you to attend the festival.
- Present your organisation at the opening ceremony with a speech and acknowledgements.
- Give you access to our network in the Czech Republic.
- Send you the Nové Scény logo for your use.

Our needs

- Material support in the form of partner gifts, such as promotional items to give to participants.
- Skills sponsorship, involving the provision of employees to assist with the festival.
- Financial partnership, donations.