

# **International Circus Festival of Italy, 26<sup>th</sup> edition**

Latina, October 16 – 20, 2025

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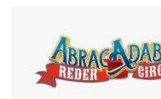
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*Production note n. 12 – Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025*

**Countdown: - 37 days to the Festival**

## **Complete cast list for a simply spectacular edition: 3 special guests + 24 big numbers in competition.**

**Opening night: Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at 9pm in via Rossetti, Latina.**

**Tickets already available for sale through our official website: [www.festivalcircoitalia.com](http://www.festivalcircoitalia.com)  
where you will find a link to our official sales portal at [www.webtic.it](http://www.webtic.it)**

**SHOW CALENDAR:** Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 9pm (show A); Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 9pm (show B); Saturday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 4.30pm (show B) and 9pm (show A); Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 3.30pm (show A) and 7pm (show B); Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 8.30pm – Gala Show and Awards Ceremony. Shows A and B, whilst containing different acts, are of the same high professional and artistic level, and simply reflect a necessary division of numerous competing numbers into two separate shows.

### **CAST OF THE 26<sup>th</sup> EDITION**

#### **SPECIAL GUESTS**

(In no particular order and not related to any particular performance schedule)

- 1. RENATO Y VALENTINO** Mexico – Clowns
- 2. STIV E RONI BELLO with OTTAVIANO SIMILI** Italy – Clowns
- 3. ALESSIO FOCESATO** Italy – Parrots

#### **COMPETING PERFORMERS**

(In no particular order and not related to any particular performance schedule)

- 4. VARDANYAN BROTHERS** Armenia – Hand to hand
- 5. KATERINA KORNEVA** Ukraine – Aerial pole

6. **SHEYANG COUNTY ACROBATIC TROUPE** China – Acrobatics
7. **CHRISTOPHER EÖTVÖS** Hungary – Magic
8. **HALEY ROSE VILORIA** USA – Aerial straps
9. **DANNY LUFTMAN** Portugal – Boomerang
10. **ARTEM LYUBANEVYCH** Ukraine – Chair balance
11. **DUO POLISHCHUCK** Ukraine – Aerial straps
12. **JUSTIN MONTEIRO VASSALLO** Italy – Hand balance
13. **THREE G's** Ukraine – Hand to hand
14. **DANIIL LYSENKO** Ukraine – Juggling
15. **NICOLE BEROUSEK** Czech Republic – Canines
16. **THE WHITE ANGELS** Germany, Italy, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania, Switzerland, Ukraine, Hungary – Fast Track
17. **THE WHITE ANGELS** Germany, Italy, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania, Switzerland, Ukraine, Hungary – Teeterboard
18. **LOS VALENTINOS** Venezuela – Trampoline
19. **THE FLYING VALENTINOS** Venezuela – Flying trapeze
20. **GIULIA GIONA with GESSICA NOTARO** Italy – Horses
21. **ARTUR & ESMIRA** Ukraine – Aerial straps
22. **FAMILIA PALMA DIAZ** Ecuador – Icarian games
23. **SALOME PALMA** Ecuador – Trapeze
24. **JIANGSU ACROBATIC TROUPE** China – Hand balance
25. **DANIELLA ARATA** USA – Hand balance
26. **DONALD E VANESSA NIUMAN** Italy – Knives
27. **HARIBOW** Japan – Ropes

#### PRESENTATION OF PERFORMERS 20, 26, AND 27, COMPLETING THE CAST OF THIS YEAR' COMPETITION

### 20. GIULIA GIONA with GESSICA NOTARO

Italy – Horses



#### AGAINST ANY FORM OF VIOLENCE, A SUMPTUOUS EQUESTRIAN DISPLAY BY GIONA/NOTARO.

Giulia Giona represents the third generation of a family that has placed its love of horses at the centre of its existence. One of the family's achievements is a *Clown d'Argent* for Alex Giona at the *International Circus Festival of Monte-Carlo*. For the *Festival at Latina*, Giulia has created a number with 5 black *Frisians*: elegant and majestic horses with a sturdy physique, they are known for their patience and friendliness, with a short and shiny coat and a long and wavy mane. This number is directed by women's rights activist Gessica Notaro, who also appears in it: her contribution guarantees notable artistic and technical qualities whilst underlining important educational and social aspects, in harmony with Gessica Notaro's commitment against any form of gender violence.

### 26. DONALD AND VANESSA NIUMAN

Italy – Knives



#### AN IMAGE OF MUTUAL TRUST BY A PAIR OF PERFORMERS WHO ARE ALSO A REAL-LIFE COUPLE.

Knife-throwing acts have long been an iconic part of traditional Circus imagery. In fact, the Niuman family have been involved in the performance world for several generations: they started out as puppeteers, and then went into the circus and fairground sphere. Their family Circus was founded in 1977. Donald Niuman and his wife Vanessa have been together professionally and in real-life for over thirty years. Driven by their love of the Circus, they have created a high-adrenaline number: Donald throws his knives with determination and precision, while his wife Vanessa is on the target and ready to avoid harm. The entire number displays the technical skills of the performers, as well as their mutual trust.

### 27. HARIBOW

Japan – Rope



## A JAPANESE TEAM SPECIALISED IN JAPANESE DOUBLE DUTCH.

Haribow is not a Circus troupe as such, but rather an acclaimed Japanese team specialising in a discipline known as *Japanese Double Dutch*: this is a performance that combines acrobatics, dance, and synchronised somersaults. Haribow's shows, full of energy, speed, and detailed choreography, are perfect for events and Festivals. Winners of the *Golden Buzzer* in a famous UK talent show, Haribow have appeared in various performance venues, including Circuses, Theatre, and Dinner Shows as well as in front of 20,000 viewers at the *NBA half-time show* in Abu Dhabi.

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| <p><b>CAST</b></p> <p><b>SPECIAL GUESTS</b></p> <p>1. RENATO Y VALENTINO Messico – Clown<br/>2. STIV e RONI BELLO con OTTAVIANO SIMILI Italia – Clown<br/>3. ALESSIO FOCESATO Italia – Pappagalli</p> <p><b>ARTISTI IN COMPETIZIONE</b></p> <p>4. VARDANYAN BROTHERS Armenia – Mano a mano<br/>5. KATERINA KORNEVA Ucraina – Palo aereo<br/>6. SHEYANG COUNTY ACROBATIC TROUPE Cina – Arobatica<br/>7. CHRISTOPHER EÖTVÖS Ungheria – Magia<br/>8. HALEY ROSE VILORIA USA – Cinghie aeree<br/>9. DANNY LUFTMAN Portogallo – Boomerang<br/>10. ARTEM LYUBANEVYCH Ucraina – Equilibrio su sedia<br/>11. DUO POLISHCHUCK Ucraina – Cinghie aeree<br/>12. JUSTIN MONTEIRO VASSALLO Italia – Verticali<br/>13. THREE G's Ucraina – Mano a mano<br/>14. DANIIL LYSENKO Ucraina – Giocoleria<br/>15. NICOLE BEROUSEK Repubblica Ceca – Cani<br/>16. THE WHITE ANGELS Germania, Italia, Polonia, Repubblica Ceca, Romania, Svizzera, Ucraina, Ungheria – Fast Track<br/>17. THE WHITE ANGELS Germania, Italia, Polonia, Repubblica Ceca, Romania, Svizzera, Ucraina, Ungheria – Bascule<br/>18. LOS VALENTINOS Venezuela – Trampolino<br/>19. THE FLYING VALENTINOS Venezuela – Volanti<br/>20. GIULIA GIONA con GESSICA NOTARO Italia – Cavalli<br/>21. ARTUR &amp; ESMIRA Ucraina – Cinghie aeree<br/>22. FAMILIA PALMA DIAZ Ecuador – Giochi icariani<br/>23. SALOME PALMA Ecuador – Trapezio<br/>24. JIANGSU ACROBATIC TROUPE Cina – Verticali<br/>25. DANIELLA ARATA USA – Verticali<br/>26. DONALD E VANESSA NIUMAN Italia – Coltelli<br/>27. HARIBOW Giappone – Corde</p> | <p><b>INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL JURY</b></p> <p>...coming soon...</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |