During two weeks in January next year, we will develop together a collective practice using improvisation, masks, music, dance, and movement. The sessions of the **École Nomade**, which will all take place in English, are not drama classes. They constitute, rather, moments of practical reflection, in which we seek to set out, explain, and clarify our methods and our collective way of working.

Who?

Anyone over the age of 16 years old is free to apply. It does not matter whether or not you have studied theatre before; but you must want to engage in the experiment of collective theatre-making. And, of course, you must be able to make yourself free to attend both the auditions and the three weeks of the **École** itself.

When?

The École Nomade will last two weeks; animated by Ariane Mnouchkine, together with seven other members of the Théâtre du Soleil, it will take place between the 15th and the 26th of January 2020. Our working day runs from 8am to 5pm. You should be ready to start work at 8am sharp, with a warm-up organized in the wonderful gardens of our outstanding French Consulate. Please do bring with you two outfits: one very light attire for the warm-up, and another one, without flashy designs, from any plain color except green.

All applicants will receive, in late December, a letter of convocation, inviting them to one of a number of selection days — group auditions — run by two members of the Théâtre du Soleil; these will be held at the Lycée Français de Pondichéry between January 10<sup>th</sup> and January 12<sup>th</sup>.

## How?

The selection process will involve two stages.

**First**, please send us <u>a letter</u> explaining why you wish to join in this workshop and attach a <u>passport-style photo</u> to your application letter. The deadline for applying is on **December 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Applications should be sent to the following address: ecolenomade.pondichery2015@gmail.com **Second**, please ensure that you are free to come to one of the selection days (group auditions). These sessions are a necessary part of the process, and only candidates who attend these workshop auditions will be eligible for a place at the **École**. At the end of these workshops, one hundred people will be invited to join the **École**.

## How much?

This workshop is free.

You will be responsible for your own meals and travel. Just inform us if you may need assistance to accommodate yourself in Pondicherry. We may provide for a list of guesthouses, ashram or apartments to share.

## Where?

Selections: at the Lycée Français de Pondichéry 12, Victor Simonel St, Pondicherry, 605001. The workshop: at Indianostrum – N°7 Romain Rolland street, Pondicherry, 605001.

## Thanks to?

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