

19th INTERNATIONAL CIRCUS FESTIVAL OF ITALY 2018

PRESS RELEASE

The two juries awarded the top prizes to eight different nations of 13 nations represented by the 27 numbers in the competition.

The winners of the 19th edition of the International Circus Festival of Italy
Gold and Bronze awards go to Italy, whilst the Critics Prize goes to France.

The **19th edition of the International Circus Festival of Italy**, which saw 71 performers from 13 nations compete for the 'Latina d'Oro', 'Latina d'Argento', and 'Latina di Bronzo' Awards, ended today.

The Festival, which took place in Via Rossetti in Latina from October 18th to October 22nd, featured nine shows in all, with 27 varied and original numbers.

The competing performers alternated shows, performing in front of two separate juries, in order to reach the final Gala Show on Monday, October 22nd.

Voting was very difficult for the judges, who awarded several multiple prizes, as follows:

Four 'Latina d'Oro' prizes were awarded to **Russia, China, and Italy**. The colourful Russian swing number by **Troupe Pronin**, the teeterboard number by the **Nanchino Circus School**, the **Togni Family**, and **Troupe Ruban** with their enchanting dream number featuring multiple somersaults with the use of teeterboards and stilts.

Two **Latina d'Argento** prizes were awarded: to the very young **Russian artist Alessia Fedotova** with her elegant hand balance with ball number, and to **Duo Ebenezer** from **Cuba**, with their technically stunning and romantic acrobatic hand to hand number.

Three Latina di Bronzo prizes were awarded: to **Lisa Rinne** from **Germany** with her swinging trapeze and aerial ladder number, to Italian **Vioris Zoppis** with his aerial straps number, and to **Duo A&J**, from the **United Kingdom** and **Ukraine** with their 'Adam and Eve' aerial straps number.

The 'Giulio Montico' Special Prize was awarded to the celebrated circus star and Guest Artist of this year's **19th edition of the International Circus Festival of Latina, Flavio Togni**, from **Italy**.

The 'Critics Jury Award' went to **Julot Cousins** from **France** for his exhilarating **hula hoop on sway pole** number, in which he excelled in various disciplines, brilliantly proving that anything is possible in the circus.

Numerous additional awards were distributed amongst the performers by various circus companies and associations.

The full list of winners is attached to this announcement.