**International Storytellers**

Alongside the National Storytelling Festival, the Festival will also be held at the international level. In this section, storytellers aged 17 and above, distinguished at the regional level, will compete with storytellers from around the world.

The International Section features the following categories:

* Modern and Innovative Storytelling
* Traditional and Classical Storytelling
* Religious Storytelling
* Scientific Storytelling
* Storytelling of Progress and Heroes of Iran
* Storytelling of Sacrifice and Resistance (focused on the Resistance Front of the people of Palestine and Lebanon)

**Participant Requirements for the International Section**

* Storytellers aged 17 and above who have been selected at the regional level in categories such as Modern and Innovative Storytelling, Traditional and Classical Storytelling, Religious Storytelling, Scientific Storytelling, Storytelling of Progress and Heroes of Iran, and Storytelling of Sacrifice and Resistance will compete in the final stage against international storytellers.
* Non-Iranian storytellers who have passed the preliminary evaluation in the mentioned categories are invited to compete in the final stage of the festival.

**Audience of the Stories**

Young children, children, teenagers, and adults.

**Competition Stages**

1. Registration and submission of the works via email at: dabirkhaneh.gheseh@gmail.com;
2. A review and evaluation committee will assess the works of the non-Iranian storytellers;
3. Announcement of regional finalists among non-Iranian participants for the final competition;
4. The final competition during the festival’s closing ceremony.

**Video Submission Guidelines**

1. Videos should be 5 to 15 minutes in duration.
2. All videos must be recorded in a horizontal frame.
3. The submitted video must be of the highest quality, uploaded to Google Drive, and its link sent to the email address of the Storytelling Development and Promotion Secretariat at: dabirkhaneh.gheseh@gmail.com.