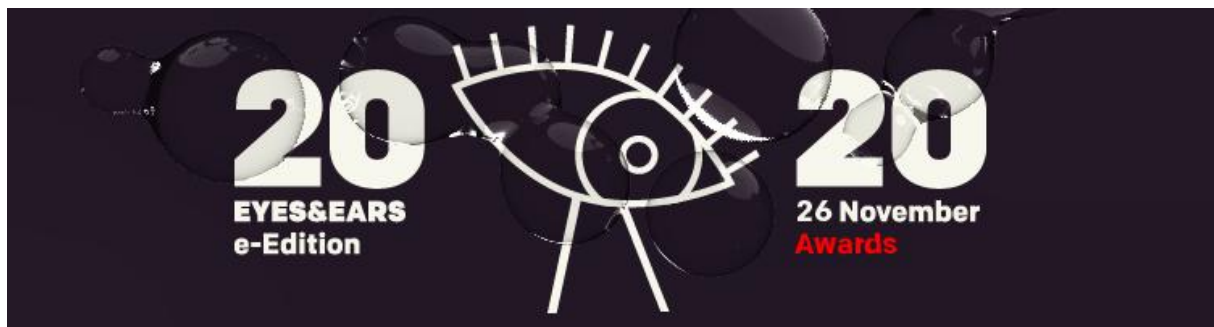


ES DEVLIN – Holder of the first Eyes & Ears Inspiration Award
EYES & EARS 2020 e-Edition: For the first time with the presentation of the Inspiration Award



Cologne, 13 November 2020 – This year, the International Eyes & Ears Awards will be presented **on 26 November**, for the first time as a digital event during the EYES & EARS e-Edition. Another new feature is the presentation of the **Inspiration Award**, which replaces the Excellence Award after 21 years. This special award has become a learned tradition and the highlight of the annual award event. The Inspiration Award goes to outstanding personalities who have provided long-lasting inspiration to the creative industry in the field of audiovisual media.

The first Eyes & Ears Inspiration Award winner 2020 is: British artist and set designer Es Devlin.



Es Devlin: Mirrormaze 2016

Artist and Designer Es Devlin is known for creating performative sculptures and environments that fuse music, language and light. Her interdisciplinary work includes **stage sculptures** made in collaboration with artists such as **Beyonce, Billie Eilish, The Weekend** and **U2**, two decades of **design for opera, drama, dance and fashion worldwide**. She was responsible for designing the

closing ceremony of the 2012 Summer Olympics in London and the **2016 Olympic opening ceremony in Rio**. She has been named **artistic director of the 2021 London Design Biennale** and will be designing the **UK Pavilion at the 2021 World Expo**.

"Es Devlin manages to inspire the creative industry again and again with her unique stage designs", says Corinna Kamphausen, CEO of Eyes & Ears of Europe, about the winner of the first Inspiration Award. "The interplay of light and mirrors especially, which distinguishes her work, is an absolutely unique selling point. But also apart from her work, Es Devlin shows her love for art and design in her resume: During her studies of literary history she already found the design of the theatre stage more exciting than the theatre that went with it and did not let herself be deprived of the opportunity to design it. A true artist who inspires us not only with her work but also with her passion – and therefore the best choice for our first Inspiration Award."

Es Devlin will receive the **Inspiration Award** on the **Awards Day during the EYES & EARS e-Edition 2020**.

At the presentation of the International Eyes & Ears Awards that follows, the best productions from the fields of Design, Audio, Digital, Promotion and Cross-Media will be shown and their creators will be awarded the Eyes & Ears Awards Trophy. As in previous years, the **Awards Show 2020** will be presented by **Wolfram Kons**.

The detailed programme with all speakers of the EYES & EARS 2020 are available here:

<https://eeofe.org/en/calendar/eyes-ears/2020/conference/#programme>

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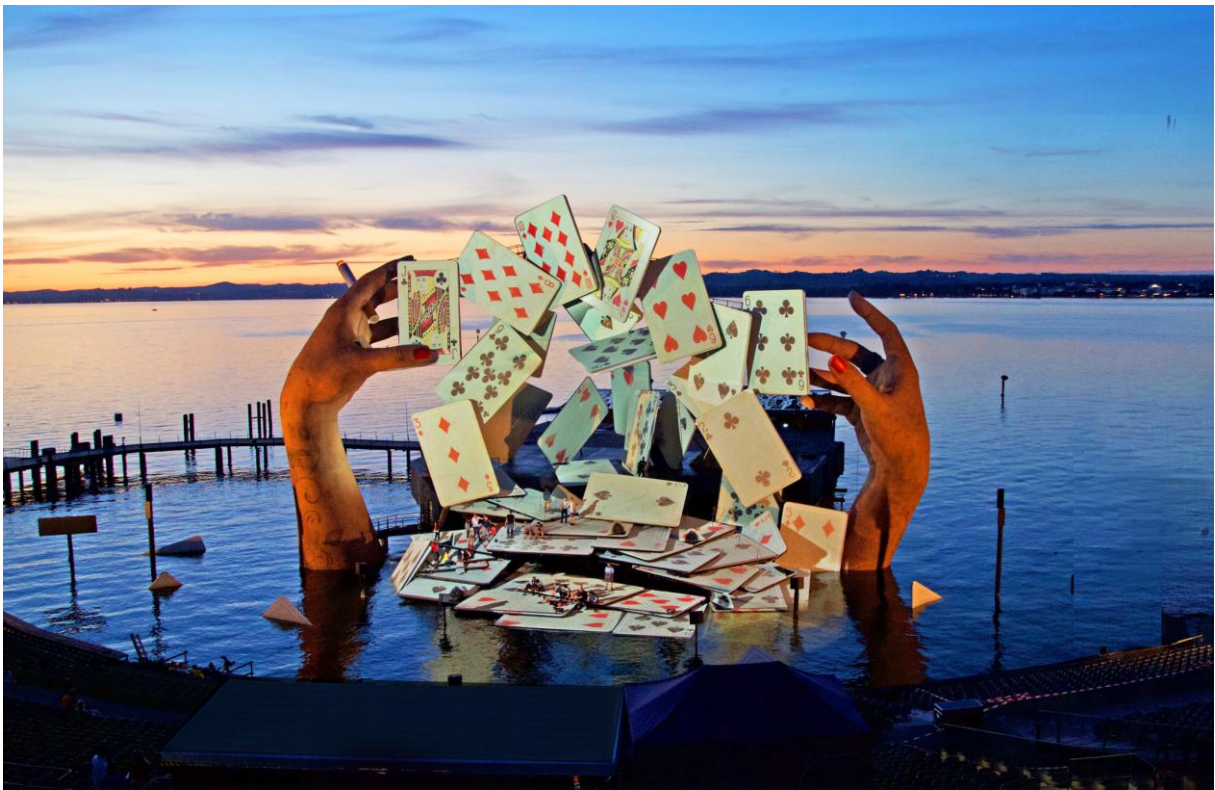
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For more than 20 years, we have been connecting all those involved in the strategic planning, creation, implementation and control of audiovisual communication.



Es Devlin: Beyoncé Formation Tour 2016



Es Devlin: Carmen Bregenz 2017