



## 2020 Annual report

### MEMBERSHIP

*SPID – Croatian Screenwriters and Playwrights Guild* was established in **2015**. Currently we are counting **95 members** which include both playwrights, dramaturgs, gaming writers and scriptwriters for **TV and film**. Although many of our members pursue parallel careers we estimate that about half of them is actively involved in the audiovisual sector. We estimate that the number of members will rise steadily, at the rate of about **5-10 new** members per year. This year was exceptional, so we gained a total of 23 newcomers). We have a dominantly **female membership** with 63 female members and 32 male ones. As a sign of solidarity during the pandemic, we didn't charge membership fees this year.

### ACTIVITIES IN 2020

- **COVID-19 PANDEMIC & CRISIS**

We were active in cooperation with other guilds in lobbying and advising the Ministry of Culture for adopting **the support measures for artists**.

Spurred by the crisis caused by the pandemic, The Board has launched an internal call for members' projects: **CRISIS 2020**. This call served as a kind of test for the future way of incorporating members in the work of the Guild. Our aim was that the chosen program offers quality content created by members, that the program is considered useful for our own professional development and also to increase Guild visibility in the public field and enable the dissemination of our specific knowledge.

- **NEW SECRETARY**

Since June we have a **new Secretary** Ivana Vuković, who is also a Board member, which presents a significant contribution to the realization of our programs. Still, since our Secretary is the only person on board that receives an income for her work, all the other people involved are **volunteering** which is slowing us down and impeding our venture into more ambitious projects.

- **PUBLIC TALKS "NEW GENERATIONS"**

We organised a series of public talks in partnership with literary club Booksa. Every talk covers the specifics on writing in a performative or audiovisual field (playwriting, writing for video-games, writing for TV series, non-fiction writing) and includes one of our **younger generation members** as one of the speakers,



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together with older and more experienced authors. We see these talks as a platform for greater visibility for younger generations as well as a way to gain more public attention for our profession in general.

- **TV SCRIPT COMPETITION**

“NOVA TV”, a Croatian commercial television network with national concession, has launched a **competition to submit scripts for Guild’s members only**, for a comedy or drama / melodrama telenovela and for a feature Christmas TV film.

Jasna Žmak, president  
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