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Andrea Loreni is a tightrope walker, recordman and trainer, the only funambolist in Italy specialized in walks at great heights. Born in the Turin in 1975, began to practice circus skills, attending the Flic Circus Accademy in Turin while in 1999 he graduated in Theoretical Philosophy with a thesis on Adolfo Levi.

In the following years, Andrea deepens the contemporary circus techniques at the Circus Space of London (2002-2003) and its artistic mission clears up: walking on ropes at great heights.

The relationship with the cable and the void, the intuition of illuminating truths about 'presence' and 'authentic essence' during the walkings lead Andrea to a new search that involves body, mind and spirituality.

Andrea starts therefore to practice Zen meditation, under the guidance of Shodo Harada Roshi translating into Italian the master's book 'How to practice zazen ', and attending his retreats at the Sogen-ji monastery in Okayama, Japan where last year, in August 2017, he finally walked, crossing the temple's pound.

Since then Andrea has realized lots of artistic tightwire performances, walking in the skies of world, above the cities of Rome, Locarno, Belgrade, Perugia Modi'in (Israel), Turin,

Bologna, Florence, Venice and Milan, in breath-taking natural settings or in charming historical town centers, on the flat or uphill, in silence or accompanied by the sounds and elements that vibrate together with the rope.

AWARDS AND RECORDS

2005 receives the "Torototela" award of the Piedmont Region for Innovation and the Valorization of street theater.

2011 is the year of its most inclined highwalk, 26 ° of inclination from 0 to 30 meters a Lodi. <u>Video</u>

2011 Andrea establishes the ITALIAN RECORD walking on cable, stretched between the hills of Penna and Billi, in the sky of Pennabilli: 250 meters long, at a height of 90 m from land. Video

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TV - CINEMA - SHOWS

Invited to perform by several TV programs, including **Vertigo** The abyss of the soul, **Super Quark** Speciale Equilibrio and **ITTEQ!** for Nippon TV.

2011 Andrea performs on Vasco Rossi's LIVEKOM011 Video tour

Protagonist of Niccolò Fabi's music video for the song 'Solo un uomo'

Tightrope walker on fire in the final scene of the movie **'The Tale of Tales'** directed by **Matteo Garrone**. <u>*Video*</u>

2017 "Zen and Funambolism" project, where he tends the cable above the lake of

Sogen-ji Zen temple in Japan. <u>Video</u>

2016 The Led Walk in Brescia. <u>Video</u>

2016 Piazza del Popolo in Rome, Buskersintown. Video

2105 Palazzo Reale in Turin, Christmas with Fiocchi. Video

2015 Piazza della Signora in Florence, Florence under the stars for CAMET. Video

2014 Trajan Market in Rome New Year's Eve

2013 Fori Imperiali in Rome. Video

2013 Modi'in (Israel), International special guest at Festival of Contemporary Circus. <u>Video</u>

2013 Rotonda del Pardo, Locarno, for Locarno Film Festival

2010 Piazza della Signoria in Firenze, Festival of Travel. Video

2009 Piazza Maggiore a Bologna, Last Year Eve Celebration in Piazza

2007 Olympic Arch in Torino

DECATHLON

Highwalk and motivational speech for the annual meeting of store managers, Monza, February 2018 <u>Video</u>

FINDOMESTIC

Training meeting for top managers, Rome, November 2017

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Training meeting for top managers, Milan, April 2017

ANGELINI

Team Building with cable workshop in collaborayion with Francesco Fabiano for Top Manager, Castel San Pietro Terme, January 2017

BENETTON

Motivational speech for the staff, Milan, January 2016

ENI PETROLI Speech about risk management for Top Manager, Milan, October 2015

ASL TO5 Intervention for the Training Day: Promoting wellbeing with art: spaces of irrationality in the Health organization, Carmagnola, November 2017

ITALIA CAMP Motivational Speech, Rome, November 2017

TEACHING AT UNIVERSITIES

UNIVERSITY OF THE MILAN BICOCCA STUDIES

Workshop about "Zen, Funambolism and Balance Training" for theConference "Olos e Psiche", Department of Human Sciences for Education "Riccardo Massa ", University of Milan-Bicocca and Anidra Popular University, Milan, 23 September 2017

UNIVERSITY OF THE MILAN BICOCCA STUDIES

Trainer for the "Bbetween Performing Arts: Minilabs" courses dedicated to development of transversal skills. Circus Arts Form. Department of Human Sciences for the "Riccardo Massa" Training, 2016/2017

ENI CORPORATE UNIVERSITY

Motivational speech, Enrico Mattei School - San Donato Milanese January 2018

UNIVERSITY OF ARCHITECTURE OF FLORENCE

Speech on Suspension, in collaboration with Le Murate PAC Firenze, Pending Culture, Florence, 2016

SPEECHES & WORKSHOPS

Speaker for the Italian Cultural Institute of Osaka July 2017

TEDxPotenza, "The big change", September 2017. Video

TEDx Sant'Anna School, "Stand in front of a cherry tree in bloom", April 2007. Video

TEDx Bocconi, "To stand (on) the abyss", May 2016. Video

TEDxLecce, "Del courage", October 2013. Video

Speech on Vertigo for the Festival "Le parole della Montagna", Smerillo, July 2016

Workshop on balance for the Torino Spirituality Festival in September 2017

Workshop on silence for Salone del Libro, Torino May 2017