



Ajoka

NEWSLETTER

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Art of Acting physical
classes resumed!

Ajoka Institute performs
two virtual plays!

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virtual Dramatic Reading

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performance

Ajoka Institute introduces
new course



Ajoka Theatre was set up in 1984 by a group of young people led by Madeeha Gauhar, a TV actress & theatre director.
"Theatre for Social Change"

Ajoka has faced many challenges since its conception. Covid-19 is the latest one and the entire world is affected by it one way or the other. Ajoka has been successful in rising above and beyond, delivering its promise of spreading peace, art and culture.



You Tube



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**PHYSICAL CLASSES
RESUMED**



THAT'S RIGHT!

Ajoka Institute braved all odds and resumed its physical classes of Art of Acting after several online versions of this pioneer course. Ajoka takes immense pride in achieving this milestone. Despite the pandemic which has halted the entire world, Ajoka took this step for the betterment of keen youngsters who wish to learn and grow their professional acting careers.

Mentor of Art of Acting course and Director Ajoka Institute, Mr. Nirvaan Nadeem, showed his gratitude by saying, "Art always thrives in difficult times. With the advent of our pioneering virtual classes and theatre, a new door has been opened, allowing us to spread our message across the nation and beyond."

Response to resumption of physical classes was overwhelming! Multiple applications were received, but due to strict adherence to SOPs, only 15 youngsters were chosen.


ART OF ACTING
COVID-19



AJOKA INSTITUTE

**TWO
VIRTUAL PLAYS
IN TWO
MONTHS!!**

Ajoka Institute's Art of Acting-Online Edition students presented another online performance of one of Ajoka's famous Plays, Amna Samna, LIVE Streamed on Facebook! Garnering a digital audience in 1000s, the play was a success!







**ART OF ACTING
ONLINE EDITION
STUDENTS PRESENT**

*Amna
Samna*

THE BIRTH OF VIRTUAL THEATRE

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Sep 16th
7pm

Drawing extracts of Ajoka's landmark plays, the young actors performed on Ajoka's FB Live, produced on the Zoom app, from all corners of Pakistan, as well as abroad. Ajoka Institute Director Nirvaan Nadeem said the theatre was strengthening the foundation of virtual theatre in Pakistan by holding regular online performances, classes and activities. According to him, this is a new and evolving art form and Pakistan has the opportunity to make a global mark through it on the world

stage. Usman Farooq from Lahore, a student of the online acting course, said he had learnt more than he could have imagined, and was guided perfectly with both basic and advanced acting exercises and concepts.

The play was very well received, with viewership in the thousands and comments full of praise and appreciation. Although theatre in halls with a live audience is impossible, Ajoka has brought theatre to your screens! You can watch Amna Samna on our FB page!

AJOKA INSTITUTE

SCREENS

ANOTHER

VIRTUAL PLAY



AJOKA PERFORMS YET ANOTHER VIRTUAL PLAY



Art of Acting
Online Edition
Students




PRESENT



9pm
Saturday
31 Oct

Parday MAIN REHNAY DO



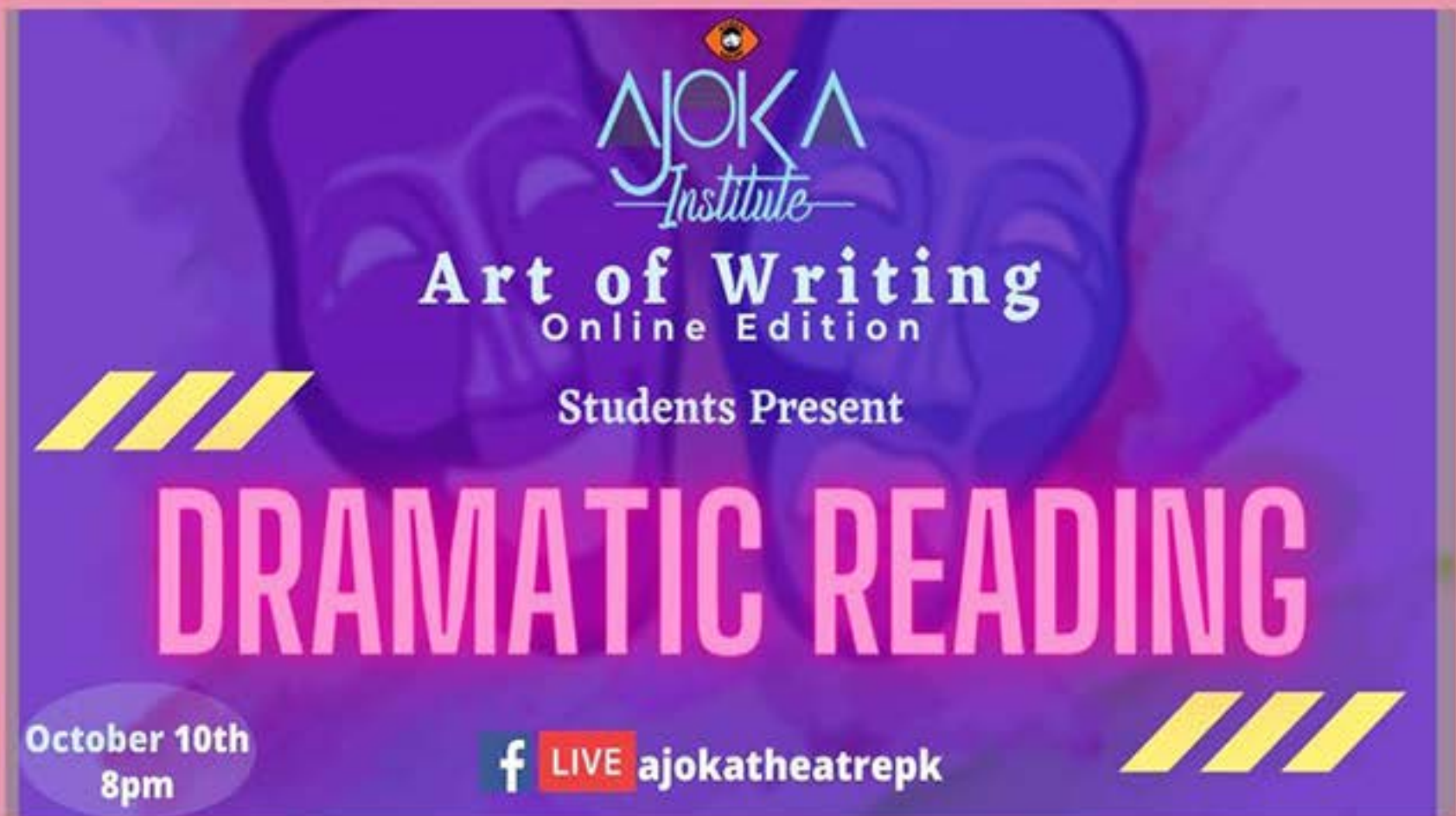
 LIVE [ajokatheatrepk](#)

PARDAY MAIN REHNE DO

Ajoka's unique satirical play "Parday Main Rehne Do" was premiered virtually live, performed by talented young aspiring actors from Ajoka Institute's Online Art of Acting course. Fun filled performance had actors from all corners of Pakistan.

The play used veil as a metaphor for double standards and hypocrisy. Political leaders, police officers, young lovers, all had their own masks to cover their faces. The compulsion of wearing face masks during the on-going pandemic gave the symbolism an interesting twist.





AJOKA SHOWCASES WRITING TALENT

Ajoka Institute presented the writing talent of its Art of Dramatic Writing students by holding an online dramatic reading on its social media. The themes of the scripts included gender discrimination, sexual harassment and abuse. One of the students, Madeeha Syed's story revolved around a mental asylum to mark the World Mental Health Day. This is the third online presentation of art of writing class students under the mentorship of Ajoka Theatre Director, Shahid Nadeem.

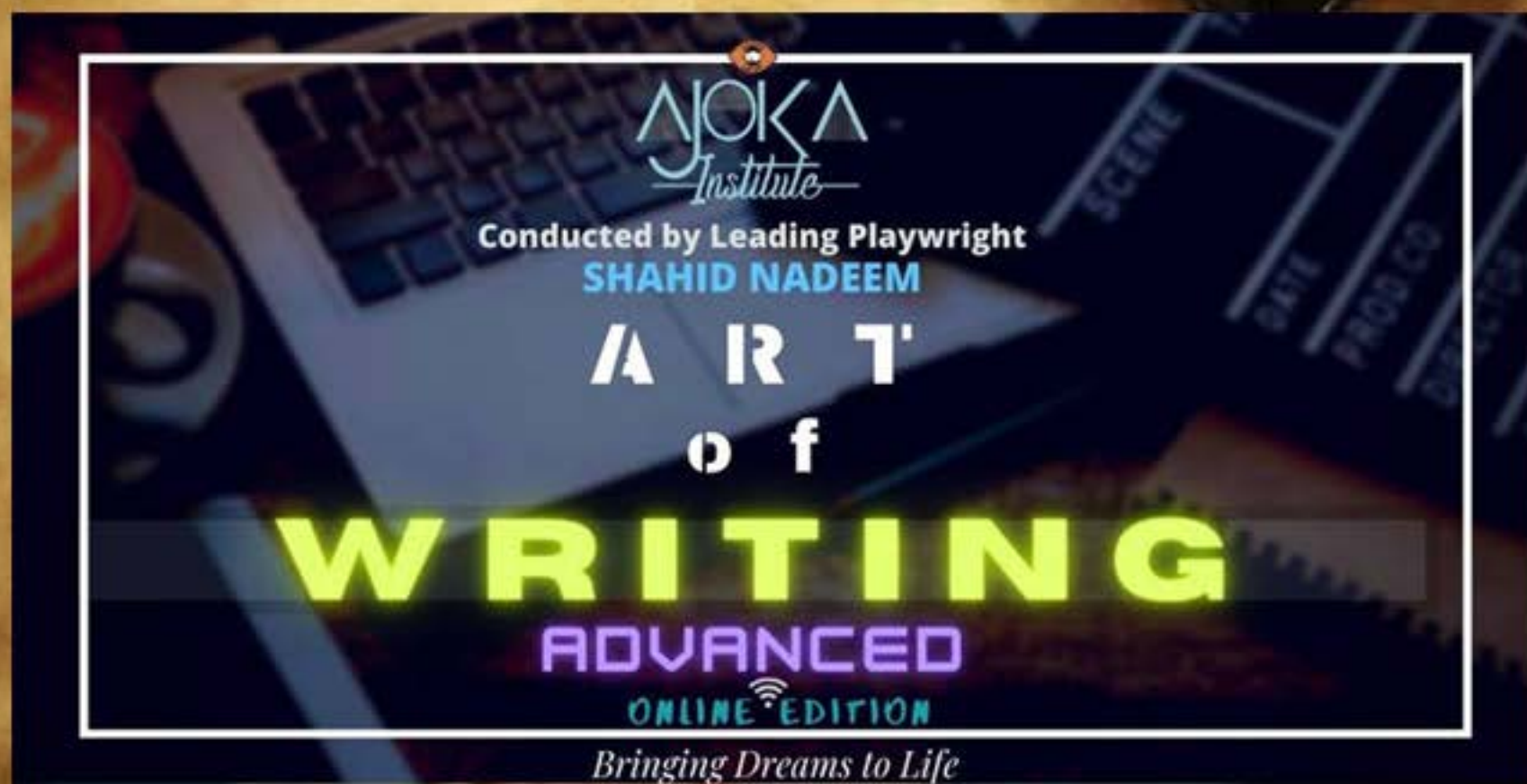
AJOKA SHOWCASES

WRITING TALENT

The students presented a LIVE stream of a compilation of original and unique plays & short stories, enacted by Art of Acting students. The works were created during the 2 month intensive online course under the Mentorship of Shahid Nadeem.

This is the third online presentation of art of writing class students, and many more are to follow in the coming months!





After the huge success of its "Art of Writing" course, Ajoka Institute has introduced a 2-month long advanced course for new writers, with exclusive one to one mentoring by eminent writer, Shahid Nadeem.

Students bring their scripts, screenplays and short stories. They also develop new ideas during individual mentoring. The classes are held online for students from all parts of the world. Duration may be extended with mutual consent.

OUR SOCIAL MEDIA



Ajoka Theatre Pakistan

Facebook stats



27
Events

+6 last 90 days



995K
People Reached

+431.2K last 90 days



17.3K
Event Responses

+4.1K last 90 days

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Edit Profile



Instagram stats

332 posts

2,385 followers

12 following