

Federico Onida, CBA

Federico, CBA, deals with entertainment since 1990: shows using stilts and juggling. In 1996 he knows Balloon Art by the classic small sculptures. In 1999 he meets Balloon Express and small sculptures discovered a great new world. He attended courses "Balloon Art" in Florence, since 1999, and attends IBAC in Chicago (USA) in March 2002 along with the Alberto Falcone's team.

In 2003 starts the adventure of teaching that continues in following years with some courses about the entertainment, theme parties with balloons, techniques for beginners and advanced in the use of balloons in Florence as in its Sardinia. He taught in 2008 in Japan (13th JBAN), in 2009 in Poland (Balonalia 09) and Spain (B.A.C.I. in Madrid), and in January 2010 in Budapest.

He received several national and international prizes:

- 1st place in Italian Championship 2001 for Large Sculpture competition: the Snail
- 2nd place in Italian Championship 2001 for "Buffet Arrangement" competition: the sunflowers
- 1st place in IBAC 2002 for Large Sculpture competition: with Alberto Falcone's team: A tree for four seasons
- 1st place in IBAC 2002 for "Figure" competition: Sardinian Gecko
- 1st place in Italian Championship 2002 for Large Sculpture competition: Lough Erin Shore – Medieval knight
- 2nd place in Italian Championship 2002 for "Balloon Delivery" competition: the duck and her little chicks
- 3rd place in Italian Championship 2003 for "Centerpiece" competition: puppy in the grass
- 2nd place in Italian Championship 2004 for Large Sculpture competition: the giraffe
- 1st place in Italian Championship 2004 for "Centerpiece" competition: The Phoenix
- 1st place in Italian Championship 2005 for "Figure" competition: grasshopper
- 2nd place in Master Championship 2006 for Large Sculpture competition: Bushido – japanese garden
- 2nd place in Italian Championship 2007 for "Centerpiece-Party Display" competition: painting on the table
- "Artist of the Year" award at the Italian Championship 2007
- 1st place in Master Championship 2008 for Large Sculpture competition: The invincible – Gengis Khan, a Mongolian Warrior
- 1st place at Balloon Russian Festival 2008 in Moscow for Large Sculpture competition with Italian team: Iguana
- 1st place in Master Championship 2009 for Large Sculpture competition: Brachypelma Smithi – Red Knee Tarantula
- 3rd place in Italian Championship 2009 for "Centerpiece" competition
- 1st place in WBC 2010 for Large Sculpture competition as Designer: St. George and the Dragon
- 2nd place in WBC 2010 for "Figure" competition: Formica Rufa (Red Ant)