Space Plus Performing Group

Artistic Director: Žak Branko Valenta

TYPE OF WORK

education, production

▶ ABOUT THE COMPANY

Space Plus is an educational performing art company that aims at developing into an educational centre that would meet the needs of professional theatre production, primarily in the area of dance, mime and physical theatre in Riieka and its surroundings. Space Plus is the first organization in Rijeka and the surrounding area in the field of performing arts on professional level. The company offers everyday trainings, specialized workshops and lectures by acknowledged theatre artists from Croatia and abroad, with special emphasis on inviting Croatian artists who live abroad. Space Plus is professionally connected with the Moving Academy for Performing Arts (MAPA) from the Netherlands

Company members regularly take part in the MAPA Summer Academy.

Space Plus also includes a repertory group, with the special aim of giving young performers the possibility of stage experience. Artistic policy is to provide space and support for independent and talented young theatre artists, in other words, a safe environment at the beginning of their career. Established theatre makers create performances with the repertory group (mime, dance, visual theatre and text).

>> CURRENT PRODUCTIONS

Relief

directors: Žak Branko Valenta and Frits Vogels

number of performers: 3
The performance, inspired by female characters from Alfred Hitchcock's films *Birds, Rebecca* and *Psycho*, does not intend to transfer the film stories into theatre language, but deals with three women and their interior fear. What happens when they meet?

Relief was performed in Croatia as well as in Germany, Hungary and Romania.

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▶ REVIEW EXTRACT

...the actresses "come out" of the screen onto the stage and then "enter" the screen again in hardly noticeable transitions, which further blurs the boundaries between the two different media, but also increases the relativity of the relation between the fictional and real...

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