



THIS IS A SPACE: PHASE 0

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THIS IS A SPACE
OF UNREPEATED SILENCES
AND DESTRUCTION
THIS IS A SPACE
OF CANCELLATION DEVIATION
THIS IS A SPACE
OF FAILED EXTRAVAGANT ATTEMPTS
THIS IS A SPACE
OF CONFRONTATION
AND AVOIDANCE
OF THE HOLLOWNESS OF MAN
THIS IS A SPACE
OF THE SPACES WITHIN
THIS IS A SPACE
CONTAINING NOTHING
THIS IS A SPACE
FILLED WITH MATTERS
THIS IS A SPACE
THIS SPACE IS
ME
THIS SPACE IS
A SPACE OF SUPRISES
THIS SPACE IS
A CIRCLE WITH CORNERS
THIS IS AN OPEN SPACE
THIS SPACE IS
FAST
IS
SLOW
THIS SPACE IS
JUST A PLACE
THIS IS A SPACE
WHERE I LOST
AND FOUND MYSELF
THIS SPACE IS
MY BODY
THIS SPACE IS
A SAFE HOME
THIS IS A SPACE
OF LAUGHTER
THIS SPACE
IS NOT HORIZONTAL
THIS SPACE IS
A SHELTER

THIS SPACE IS
A BUTCHER SHOP
THIS IS A SPACE
OF DECAY
OF SACRIFICE
OF REBIRTH
THIS IS THE SPACE
OF THE EIGHT
THIS IS THE SPACE
THEY REVOLT
MAKE PEACE
FALL IN LOVE
THIS SPACE IS A SQUARE
THIS IS A SPACE OF
PLAY AND CONFINMENTS
THIS SPACE IS LIMITLESS
THIS IS A SPACE OF
PRAYER AND RITUAL
THIS IS A SPACE OF
IDENTITY AND ITS BURDAINS
THIS IS A SPACE OF
KINGS AND JESTERS
THIS IS A SPACE OF
CONFESSION
THIS IS A SPACE OF
PRIVATE LANDS AND DESTRUCTION
OF BORDERS
THIS IS A SPACE OF
SPIDERS EATING CHILDREN
THIS SPACE IS
A WARDROBE
THIS IS A SPACE
ON THE MEANING OF THE COMIC
THIS IS A SPACE
OF WAITING
OF ANTICIPATION
THIS IS A SPACE
OF COMFORT AND DENIAL
THIS SPACE IS
A GARDEN
WE TAKE CARE OF
THIS SPACE IS A SPACE OF
LAUGHTER, CRY
AND WHISPERED SECRETS

THIS SPACE
IS A STAIRCASE
THIS IS A SPACE
WHERE THEY CAN AND CANNOT
THIS IS A SPACE
OF LOST INNOCENCE
IN A FREEZER
THIS SPACE IS
UNDER CONSTRUCTION
THIS SPACE IS
IMAGINERY
THIS IS A SPACE OF
BROKEN SHELLS
THIS IS A SPACE
OF FLOATING BALOONS AND SELVES
THIS IS A SPACE
WHERE THIS IS NOT A BROOM
THIS IS A SPACE
WHERE I SEE YOU
THIS IS A SPACE
OF APPLAUSE
THIS SPACE IS
WHERE THE BLIND
FIND THE LIGHT
BUT NEVER SLEEP
THIS IS A SPACE
OF ABSENCES
OF GHOSTS
OF DINNERS
THIS IS A SPACE OF
TRICKS,
OF DECEPTION
OF ACCIDENTS
THIS SPACE
IS TAKING OVER THE SPACE
OF IMITATION
THIS SPACE IS
NOT TAKEN UNDER ACCOUNT
THIS SPACE IS
A SECRET SPACE
THIS SPACE
HAS A VOICE
THIS IS A SPACE
ON THE MEANING OF THE POLITICAL

THIS IS A SPACE
OF THE HUMAN CONDITION
THIS IS A SPACE OF
OBJECTS AND SUBJECTS
THIS SPACE IS
NOT MY PROPERTY
THIS IS A SPACE
THAT OPENS AND CLOSES
THIS IS A SPACE OF
THE SPACES IN BETWEEN
THIS IS A SPACE
OF MEETING
THIS IS A SPACE
OF SPEECH
OF SILENCES
OF PAUSE
THIS SPACE
IS TEMPORARILY OURS
THIS SPACE
CREATES PATHS
NARRATES STORIES
THIS IS A SPACE
OF EXPOSURE
THIS IS A SPACE
OF QUESTIONING?
THIS IS A SPACE
OF OPTION AND CHOICE

P.S.: **Phase 0** is the first expression of a continuous experiment taking place in the dance theatre workshop conducted by this group of performers. In parallel with their repertoire work, their vision is to rework, expand and research on one piece which is elaborated gradually through the years and through different perspectives. The piece will always remain under construction of which the stages will unfold in phases. Each phase is a momentum, a manifestation, a climax of their ongoing experiment. The unchangeable core, are the individuals taking part in the experiment and their languages of expression, born and elaborated in the workshop. This core is reapproached and manipulated anew in each phase by external collaborators and disciplines in order for each phase to be presented each time through new forms and different media.
A never-ending staircase with its steps exposed.

The leading tendency of the experiment is the feature of continuous exhaustion and transformation of an initial finding or a raw material.

In **Phase 0** the core is approached through sound (Giorgos Kravvaritis) interacting live with the performance and through costume design/construct (Christina Christodoulou-It's a shirt) as a crucial aspect of the performative body. The outcome of Phase 0 is a performance elaborated through digital means. A film. The decision of creating a digital work arose, not from the contemporary requirements to perform online but from the dramaturgical necessities and ends of the piece to become complete through digital means and tools. It will be realized and structured for the ERGO Collective space in Athens where the workshop currently unfolds. Each corner and point of this space acquire a history, function as memories, and signify a topos for the performers. Victims of the same condition, that of being human, the performers create a mosaic of narratives and circumstances.

THIS IS A SPACE: PHASE 0 is a collage of stories and characters juxtaposed one against the other in the space where they expose their small society of misfits. Each character emerges from one's own microcosm in an attempt to defend their truths. This piece becomes an open window to their realities.



in the space



XENIA TABOURLOU
the lady who awaits



STELLA PAGIATI
Mrs. Moody defying gravity



XENIA STATHOULI
an agent provocateur



ANTONIA ECONOMOU
a chameleon dying repeatedly
out of excruciating sadness



PAVLOS LYKOURDIS
an innocent carrier of death



DANAE MORFONIOU
the dance teacher with tendencies
to dichotomize the self



ELINA DEMIRTZIOGLOU
the king that cannot be king



KONSTANTINOS KATSODAS
the blind man that saw the light
but it was toxic

credits

concept/ direction/ choreography/ art direction: **ANTONIA ECONOMOU**
soundscape: **GIORGOS KRAVVARITIS** assistant choreographer: **XENIA TABOURLOU**
costume designer: **CHRISTINA CHRISTODOULOU** visual material/ documentation: **ZOE KRAVVARITI**
light curation: **KLAUS SHEHAJ** montage: **ANTONIA ECONOMOU, JOHN NELSON ESKIOGLOU**
cinematography: **JOHN NELSON ESKIOGLOU, KLAUS SHEHAJ**
animation: **ZOE KRAVVARITI** space: **ERGO COLLECTIVE**

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