



THAÏS MARTIN ASSOCIATION ADIEUCOUCOU 55 MINUTES ALL AGES UP 8

LIVE SHOW
HYBRID SOLO
CLOWN PERFORMANCE
AGING CIRCUS





MAMIMOURU IN ONE WORD. LIKE A BLOCK, SOMETHING DENSE AND TENUOUS. THIS TITLE CAME TO ME, TO EVERYONE'S SUPRISE, WHEN MY DEAR GRANDMA DIED AND I HAD TO WRITE A TEXT FOR HER FUNERALS.

I FELT LIKE A GAP BETWEEN ART AND EVERYDAY LIFE, A KIND OF BRIDGE, SOMETHING TO WAVE, TO DIG INTO. IT INSPIRED ME AND I STARTED THINKING ABOUT WRITING A SOLO, TO TALK ABOUT FUNERALS, DEATH, THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF DEATH AND THEN THE LIFE THAT WILL NEVER BE THE SAME AGAIN BUT A LITTLE BIT THE SAME BUT NOT REALLY.

AND THEN, MY DESIRES EXPANDED .. I WANTED SOMETHING HYBRID, SOMETHING IN BETWEEN THE SAD CLOWN SHOW, THE DANCE PERFORMANCE AND UNFILTRED THEATER. I ALSO WANTED TO TALK ABOUT THE LIVING, ABOUT PAIN (SINCE IT BELONGS TO THE LIVING), ABOUT OUR STRUGGLES TO BE WELL OR TO LEARN HOW TO LIVE WITH OUR INVISIBLES DIFFICULTIES. ABOUT OUR CAPACITY FOR RESILIENCE AND THINGS THAT TRANSFORMS.

SINCE EVERYTHING PASS OR GET TRANSFORMED, IT SEEMS THAT I AM ALIVE, SO I WANT TO KNOW IF I AM OK, I WANT TO KNOW HOW TO BE OK.

THE SUBJECT OF MENTAL HEALTH IS ONE OF MY ARTISTIC EMERGENIES AND A LEIVMOTIV IN MY LIFE, ESPECIALLY ANXIETY.

SELF-HATRED/SELF-LOVE ARE CONCRETE CONCEPTS THAT TOUCH ME AND THAT I WANT TO EXPLORE THROW THIS PIECE.

I AM INTERESED BY TRANSITORY STATES, IN THE RELATIONSHIP WITH ONESELF.
PAY TRIBUTE TO THE UNLIVING AND CELEBRATE THE DAYS.

SURROUND OURSELFS WITH THE PEOPLE WE LOVE.



SOMETIMES I DON'T LIKE TO SAY OR TO WRITE THAT CLOWN IS WHAT I DO.

BECAUSE MOST A THE TIME, I SUSPECT THAT THE PERSON IN FRONT OF ME

HAS AN IMAGINATION THAT DOES NOT MATCH WITH WHAT I TRY TO DO. AND

THAT IS NORMAL.

IN THE COLLECTIVE IMAGINATION AND IN GLOBAL REPRESENTATIONS, WE CAN HAVE AN IDEA OF THE CLOWN THAT COMES FROM DIFFERENTS PLACES:

MCDONALD'S /THE FUNFAIR CLOWN / THE JOCKER / AGRESSIVE OR EVIL CLOWNS IN THE MOVIES...A MELTING-POT.

IF I TAPE « CLOWN » ON INTERNET, I HAVE VERY COLORFUL BANK OF IMAGES AND MOST OF THEM DO NOT CORRESPOND TO MY PRACTICE.

SO, WHAT CLOWN DOES MEAN TO ME?

IT IS HARD TO PUT INTO WORDS BUT I WOULD SAY THAT IT IS AN ARTISTIC PRACTICE IN THE SAME WAY AS THEATER.

IT IS NAÏVE, SPONTANEOUS CHARACTER WITH NO SOCIAL CODES, WHICH GIVES THEM IMMENSE FREEDOM TO TACKLE DIFFICULT, INTIMATE OR POLITICAL ISSUES...

TO SHED LIGHT ON THE WAY WITH FUNCTION.

IT IS AN ART THAT REQUIRES TECHNIQUE, PATIENCE AND TIME, BUT ALSO THE ABILITY TO BE VULNERABLE AND TO MOP UP THE OTHER PERSON'S EMOTIONSS, GIVING THEM BACK WITH A LITTLE TOUCH OF SOMETHING EXTRA.

LIKE A SPONGE.

YES, CLOWN = SPONGE

CONTENT SHOW

MAMIMOURU IS A PLAY WITH MANY LAYERS.

IT'S A CHARACTER'S QUEST FOR ANSWERS TO HIS EXISTENTIAL OR EVERYDAY QUESTIONS.

IT'S AN INNER JOURNEY TO UNDERSTAND THE EXTENT OF ANXIETY AND GIVE IT SHAPE.

IT'S AN ATTEMPT TO DEFINE THE CONTOURS OF FUNERALS, OF MOURNING, OF THE POSSIBILITY OR WILL TO DIE.

IT'S A CLOWN SHARING HIS STATE OF MIND AND BODY BUT ABOVE ALL, HE RAISES THE QUESTION OF SELF-LOVE AND HOW TO FEEL GOOD. IT'S LIKE A LOT OF HAIR IN THE SOUP,

IT ENDS UP MAKING A SOUP OF HAIR,

BUT FINALLY,

IT'S

DELICIOUS.



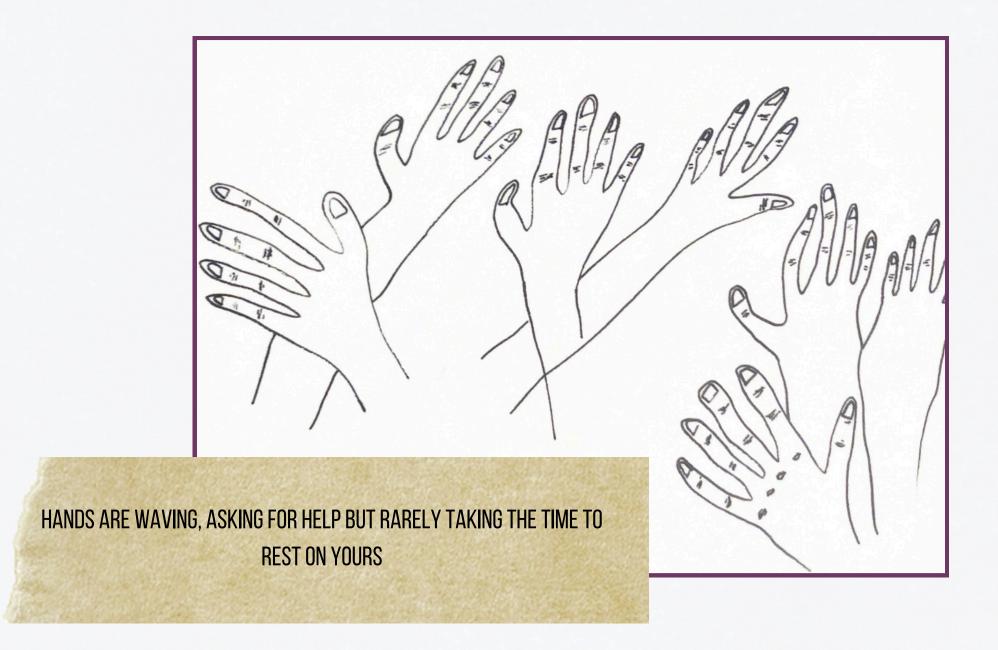
SO THERE WILL BE SOME FUNNY MOMENTS, I REALLY HOPE SO. BUT LET'S NOT LIE, IT WILL ALSO BE NOSTALGIC, TRAGIC, POETICALLY COOL, BUT A LITTLE FUNNY OTHERWISE IT WOULD BE DRAMATIC.

ACTUALLY, MY GREATEST WISH WOULD BE TO BE ABLE TO LAUGH IN THE THEATER ABOUT
THINGS THAT MAKES US CRY IN LIFE

HOW DO WE KNOW IF WE ARE OK?

IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR IN LIFE IS TO FEEL GOOD. SO WHY DO WE SPEND SO MUCH TIME DOING OTHER THINGS?

(AMIOK?)



BEHIND EVERY STRUGGLE THERE ARE BODIES

AND BRAINS

BUT IF OURS ARE MIRED IN ANXIETY PARALYZED BY ANGUISH

THE STRUGGLE IS PREVENTED

YET MANY STRUGGLES ARE NECESSARY

TO TALK ABOUT WHAT MAKES ME/US

VULNERABLE

WITH STRENGTH AND WITHOUT

COMPROMISE.

I HACE SO MANY QUESTIONS FOR YOU

HOW DO WE TALK ABOUT HOW WE FEEL, AND WITH WHOM?

WHAT ARE OUR WORDS FOR WHEN WE ARE NOT FEELING WELL, NOT WELL AT ALL?



MY ANXIETY ISN'T THE SAME AS YOUR ANXIETY, BUT WE USE THE SAME WORD, SO HOW CAN WE UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER?

EMPATHY, PUTTING OURSELVES IN SOMEONE'S SHOES.

HOW DO WE ASK QUESTIONS OF THE PEOPLE WE CARE ABOUT TO FIND OUT HOW THEY'RE DOING?

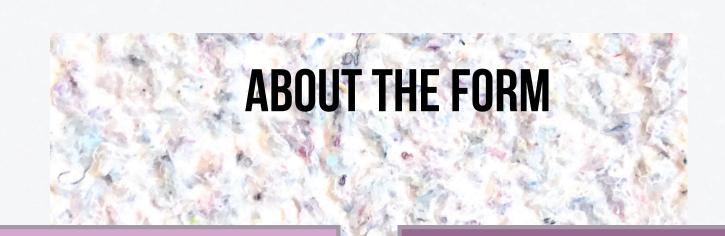
HOW DO WE TAKE AN INTEREST?

HOW DO WE MAKE TIME FOR IT?

WHAT ROOM DE WE LEAVE FOR SILENCE IN ALL OUR ATTEMPTS TU UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER?

MAMIMOURU WON'T BE ABLE TO ANSWER
EVERYTHING, THAT'S FOR SHURE. BUT HERE IS
WHAT HAS SHAPED TO CREATION PROCESS
AND WHAT CONTINUES TO ANIMATE THE GAME





ON STAGE, THERE IS
ONE PERSON, SO IT'S A SOLO,
PROPS SUCH AS PLASTIC
FLOWERS, A SURVIVAL
BLANKET, CHAINS, A RED
CARPET AND A REALLY
SMALL CHAIR.

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INDICATIVE CAPACITY 100 PEOPLE

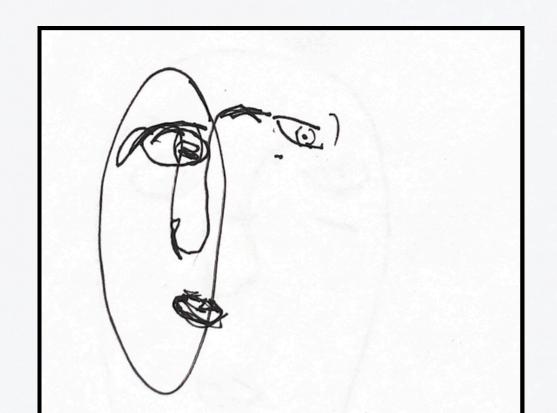
55 MINUTES

ALL AUDIENCES AGES 8 AND UP

FRONTAL / 180°

IN FRENCH / SUBTITLES IN ENGLISH OR GERMAN POSSIBLE

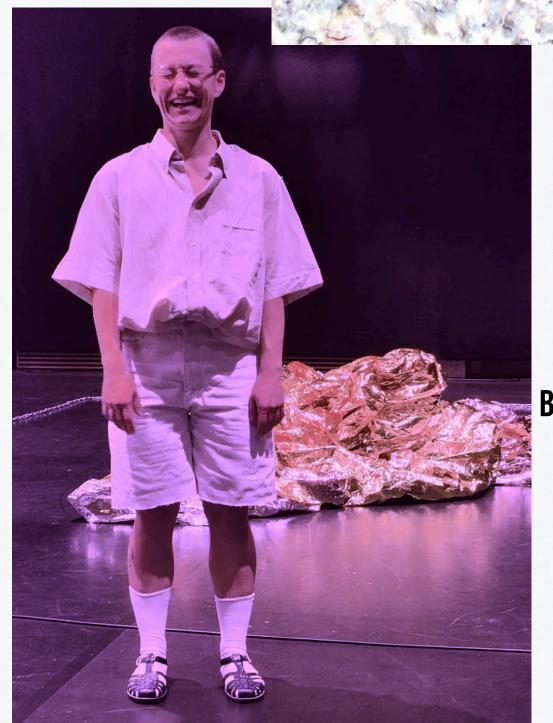
THERE WILL BE TWO PARTS: ONE WITH THE CLOWN CHARACTER, NAMED BOULI AND A SECOND PART, WITHOUT THIS CLOWN CHARACTER. LIKE PEELING AN ONION.



A BEGINNING,
A MIDDLE
AND AN END.
BUT ABOVE ALL, AN END.

FROM WHERE I SPEAK

THAIS MARTIN / PROJECT LEADER



I AM A NON-BINARY PERSON
AND WHITE.
BORN IN GENEVA IN 1996 AND LIVING THERE
UNTIL I WAS 18,
I HAVE HAD MANY PRIVILEGES.
I AM MIDDLE CLASS AND
HAVE GENERALIZED ANXIETY DISORDER.

ARTISTICALLY, I AM A TRAPEZE ARTIST, CLOWN, DANCER/PERFORMING ARTS WORKER.

TRAINED IN GENEVA AND AT THE LYON CIRCUS SCHOOL, SPECIALIZING IN STATIC TRAPEZE, CIRCUS HAS BEEN MY BASE FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN YEARS. I THEN DISCOVERED THE PROFESSIONAL WORLD, WHILE CONTINUING TO TRAIN AS A CLOWN ALONGSIDE ÉRIC BLOUET, ALEXANDRE BORDIER, CHRISTINE ROSSIGNOL, MICHEL DALLAIRE, AND SKY DE SELA.

I HAVE BEEN DRAWING/PAINTING FOR ABOUT TWENTY YEARS. ON STAGE, I HAVE COLLABORATED WITH THE COMPANIES LA JUNE, LE BESTIAIRE, SALE BÊTE PROD, LE CIRQUE DES PETITES NATURES AND I AM CURRENTLY WORKING IN THE COMPANIES LA GRUE AND JUSTE ICI.





SOUND/LIGHT/SET DESIGN TIKI ET CAROLINE SAVARY

DRAMATURGY ACCOMPANIMENT ANNE-LAURE SAHY

CHOREOGRAPHIC OUTSIDER VIEW MILENA EREZ

CLOWN OUTSIDER VIEW SANDRINE CHERVET

MUSIC KOJI, CAROLINE SAVARY, PABLO MANUEL

HELP WITH TEXT LÉA EIGENMANN

TEASER ET PHOTOS CIEL SOURDEAU

CONCEPTION AND INTERPRETATION THAÏS MARTIN



COPRODUCTION ABRIGENÈVE

SUPPORT VILLE DE GENÈVE, FONDATION BEA, FONDATION ENGELBERTS

ONE DAY SOMEONE TOLD ME
"LIFE IS JUST A SERIES OF DAYS"

I'VE BEEN A LITTLE MORE AT PEACE EVER SINCE

