Portfolio

Maria João Falcão



ON INVITATION

synopsis

On Invitation is an experiment about the relationship between Actress and Audience. Maria João Falcão invites the Audience to reflect about these roles. Under the umbrella of autonomy, she proposes a negotiation, a conversation about the authorship and the responsibility both have in what is being presented. It is an invitation to the Audience to play their role.

Created during the Master of Theatre Practices as part of a research about the Autonomy of the Actor, On Invitation is the first theatre project of número cinco. This performance is recommended for a maximum of 20 audience members.



creative team

project, creation and performance Maria João Falcão **mentors** Prof. Pedro Manuel, Prof. João da Silva, Prof.ª Eugénia Vasques and Prof. Erik Hagoort

support Fundação GDA, Pólo Cultural das Gaivotas | Boavista/ Loja Lisboa Cultura, ArtEZ.

link on invitation





OMESTRE

synopsis

O Mestre (the Master) is a theatre project about the transmission of knowledge and the essential figures that this act presupposes: the one who knows and the one who does not know.

It is a show that focuses on the roles that each one assumes so that the relationship can exist. And in the development of that relationship.

In **O Mestre**, the protagonist is the teacher-student relationship. Learning as a rite of passage in life, the unique and privileged moment that is to learn under the eyes of the other and the fragility of this process so intimate and beautiful of those who learn.

The actress Maria Joao Falcao invited the artist Michel, her tap dance teacher, to research with her this (mainly) male figure of the master and to create a performance that reflects on autonomy through a learning process.

creative team

project, text and artistic direction Maria Joao Falcao performance Maria Joao Falcao and Michel choreography and soundscape Michel set and costume design Maria Joao Falcao

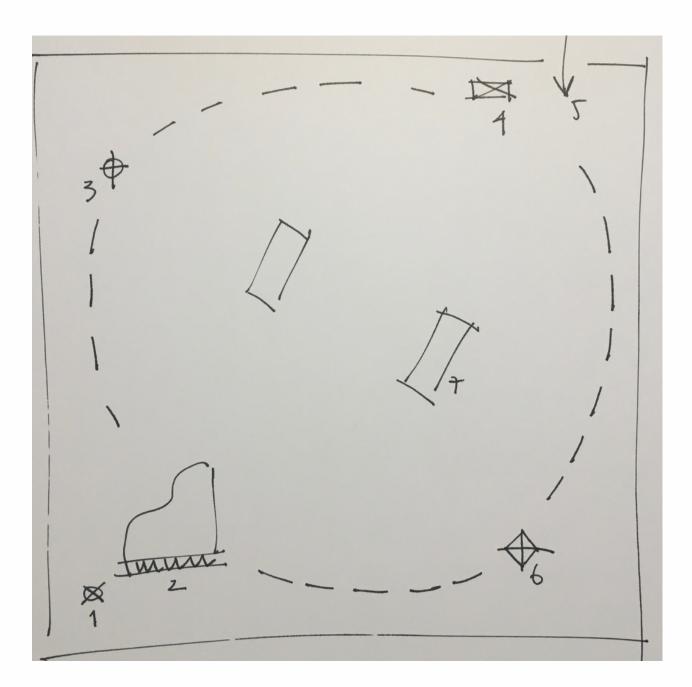
artistic assistance Bernardo Souto and Joao Simoes **dramaturgical assistance** Prof.^a Eugénia Vasques **production** número cinco Associação Cultural

photos Mário Rosado/Teatro-Cine de Torres Vedras
trailer Marcelo Pereira (imagem e edição) e Marcelo Tavares (som)
video Edgar Pêra
poster and postcard Michel and Maria João Falcão

duration 70 minutesM/12



scenic space plan



- 1 floor lamp
- **2** piano
- 3 cloakroom stand
- **4** tea trolley (with table lamp)
- **5** entrance
- **6** Mestre's chair
- **7** tap dance boards
- --- audience



links

<u>site</u>

<u>vídeo</u>

folha de sala

<u>artigo</u>

<u>crítica</u>



Maria Joao Falcao

Lived and studied theatre in Madrid, Paris, New York and Lisboa.

Studied at ESTC (Lisboa), RESAD (Madrid), École Philippe Gaulier (Paris) and SITI Company (NY).

In 2019, finishes her Master's degree in Theatre Practices, at ArtEZ (Netherlands).

As an actress, she works in theatre, television and cinema.

In theatre worked with several directors, such as Antonino Solmer, Amândio Pinheiro, Miguel Loureiro, Miguel Moreira, André Amálio, Carlos Pimenta, André Murraças, Nuno Cardoso, Maria João Luís, André Gago, Jorge Silva Melo, João Telmo, Rodrigo Francisco, Toni Cafiero, Hugo Franco, Natália Luiza and Alfonso Romero Mora.

In 2019, Maria João Falcão starts the theatre platform 'número cinco' and creates her first theatre project, On Invitation. In 2021, creates O Mestre.

Maria João Falcão is currently based in Lisboa.

número cinco is a theatre company created in 2019 by Maria Joao Falcao.

The purpose of **número cinco** is to develop a personal research about the actor's work. It reflects real time the research and is being shaped and transformed by it. In the projects created by **número cinco** it is intended that research, experimentation and artistic practice inform, influence and complement each other to create an original artistic object. The aim is to make the research tangible.

This project begins with <u>On Invitation</u>, focusing on the relationship between Actor-Audience. It continued with O Mestre (The Master) that focused on the relationship between Master – Student.

número cinco also works as an archive, documenting what was/is/will be produced. Processes, experiments, paths and outcomes in all their different materials - texts, photos, comments, interviews or videos.

When Maria Joao Falcao assumes that the research has come to an end, **número cinco** will be closed as a project and will exist only as an archive of a theatrical research.



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