



 **PLASTICIENS VOLANTS**

Repertoire Shows

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One day

we dreamed of writing our stories in the most beautiful stage area : the sky!
And since, our spectators have got into the habit of tilting their heads to
experience the adventures we recount.

Marc Mirales,
Founder of Plasticiens Volants

Plasticiens Volants.

It's the profound desire to address each and everyone,
thanks to a universal language, the language of images and dreams.
It's the deliberate choice to invest public space to tell aerial fables visible by all.
It's a parenthesis of imaginary and sensations where our creatures stroke
and are stroked by young and old.
It's a long adventure of shared passions, to adorn the sky with our giant inflatable puppets,
to deploy dramaturgy and large scale staging,
to experience a shared moment and resonate together.
The show is everywhere : in the middle, above, at the corner of a street,
in the eye of the person next to you.
Shared emotions which are the sap of these festive moments.
We imagine, model, assemble and pigment inflatable aerial sculptures
to inhabit the sky with imaginary tales.
With our dreams, let's dress the sky,
so they become mutual.

The Stranger

Voyage to Absurdia

A poetic fable on exclusion and difference

Loosely inspired by Gulliver's Travels by Jonathan Swift, this new creation humorously and satirically addresses our relationship with the «other» and the mechanisms of exclusion. Through a satirical staging, where Gulliver, the articulated giant, becomes the target of all projections, The Stranger – A Journey to Absurdia questions our perception of the other in a world shaped by fear and power.

With a reimagined direction, the show features a lighter and more interactive set design, reducing its helium needs without compromising its visual impact.





Show summary

On an imaginary beach, a White Dove discovers a stranded giant. Initially fascinated, the Lilliputians, influenced by their authoritarian Queen and omnipresent commentator, manipulate the narrative, creating confusion and paranoia in this society governed by the absurd.

When the army captures the Dove, the monumental Gulliver rises and breaks his chains, overturning the symbols of power to free his ally and stop the royal palace fire. In a final flight, he leaves this hostile land, leaving the audience with a crucial question: What if we were the «stranger»?



- All-ages show
- Fixed format
- Daytime or nighttime performance
- Duration: 60 minutes
- Team: 20 people (day version) or 21 people (night version) + 15 local participants
- Audience: 5.000
- Available language versions: French and English - Contact us for other languages
- Performance area: 50m x 60m
- Helium: 100 m³
- Equipment : 1,2 tons, 10m³

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New World

A monumental show on the future of our planet

New World is one of the most ambitious performances by Plasticiens Volants, designed to bring a large audience together around a powerful visual story about our planet. The company explores the relationship between humanity and its environment, questioning the transformations of our world. At the heart of this poetic fresco is an iconic figure: Saurien, a giant dinosaur, a relic of a bygone past, who awakens under the effect of human agitation. His return marks a disruption in the established order, a confrontation between an ancient nature and a world in constant expansion.





Show summary

In the beginning, nature reigns supreme, wild and untouched. Everything seems peaceful until a stream of lively and joyful colonizers disrupts this tranquility. They settle, transform the landscape, build cities and factories, gradually changing their environment. But deep within time, Saurien still sleeps. The relentless activity of humans eventually awakens him, triggering uncontrollable fury. He rises into the sky, shaking the earth beneath his steps, smashing machines and reducing human constructions to ashes. Once the storm has passed, the ruins give way to a renewal: nature reclaims its rights, offering hope for a world where humanity and its environment might finally coexist in harmony.



- All-ages show
- Fixed format, with introductory parade
- Nighttime performance
- Duration: 55 minutes
- Team: 26 people + 15 local participants
- Audience: 10.000 and more
- Performance area: 80m x 60m
- Helium: 350 m³
- Equipment: 5 tons, 25 m³



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Little Nemo

in Slumberland

A magical show for the whole family

Little Nemo in Slumberland is an enchanting aerial journey inspired by the dreamlike world of Winsor McCay. Designed to captivate audiences of all ages, this show immerses spectators in a universe where imagination takes flight.

With monumental inflatable puppets, floating sets, and a spectacular staging, Slumberland unfolds under the stars, recreating the magic of childhood dreams. Blending poetry and humor, this fantastic adventure invites families to share a moment of wonder, dance, and laughter, where the laws of reality fade away, giving way to surprise and amazement.





Show summary

A century after the final strip of the iconic comic, Little Nemo in Slumberland comes back to life. Every night, Nemo, a daring young dreamer, soars into Slumberland, a strange and marvelous world where anything is possible.

Aboard his giant bed, he leaps over houses and floats through the air, embarking on thrilling adventures alongside his faithful companion, Flip. Together, they explore lands filled with whimsical creatures and meet extravagant characters. Their quest? To find the Princess, daughter of the mighty King Morpheus, who haunts Nemo's dreams and leads him deeper into a world of surprises and fantastical escapades.



- All-ages show
- Walking performance
- Nighttime show
- Duration: 50 minutes
- Team: 24 people + 8 local participants
- Audience: 5.000
- Performance area: 40m x 40m
- Helium: 430m³
- Equipment: 2 tons, 12 m³

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Pearl

An iconic creation that continues to amaze

Since its debut in 2002, Pearl has captivated thousands of spectators across the globe, becoming one of Plasticiens Volants' most iconic performances. This aerial spectacle transports audiences into an immersive underwater world, where giant marine creatures take flight above the crowd. With a powerful visual narrative and breathtaking scenography, Pearl has mesmerized audiences of all ages, establishing itself as a timeless reference in open-air performances.





Show summary

The marine world takes to the skies...

No mask, no snorkel—dive into a giant aquarium right in the heart of your city!

A tiny Pearl escapes from its shell and embarks on an adventure through the underwater world. Along the way, she encounters playful companions—colorful fish, seahorses, mischievous squids, and mesmerizing jellyfish. But danger lurks nearby: a ferocious Moray Eel with only one thing in mind—swallowing her whole!

What will become of our little adventurer? Will she manage to return to the safety of her shell without losing too much of her precious nacre?



- All-ages show
- Walking performance
- Nighttime show
- Duration: 50 minutes
- Team: 24 people + 8 local participants
- Audience: 5.000
- Performance area: 40m x 40m
- Helium: 430m³
- Equipment: 2 tons, 12 m³

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The Great Expedition

A whimsical adventure for the whole family

With The Great Expedition, wonder and absurdity blend together to take both young and old on the most outlandish of explorations. Édouard Lavase, the tireless adventurer and renowned cryptozoologist, makes a stop with his improbable menagerie after a long and perilous journey around the world. Fantasy and humor are at the heart of this wacky expedition, where each discovery brings a new surprise.





Show summary

Specializing in creatures whose existence remain a mystery, Édouard Lavase has dedicated his life to the search for fantastic animals. Always accompanied by his flock of jovial Geese and his two Swiss Dragons, discovered thirty years ago in the canton of Lausanne, he travels the world to meet these elusive species. During a stop in Bangkok, he captures a Flying Snake from the Quetzalcoatl family, known as the feathered serpent, whose precious Quetzal feathers have disappeared due to global warming. His journey also leads him to make an exceptional discovery: a gigantic Egg of unknown origin. With these incredible finds, The Great Expedition now stops in your city, ready to unveil its wonders... and its surprises!



- All-ages show
- Fixed format, with introductory parade
- Nighttime performance
- Duration: 45 minutes
- Team: 22 people + 11 local participants
- Audience: 5.000
- Performance area: 40m x 30m
- Helium: 160 m³
- Equipment: 2 tons, 10 m³

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Leonardo

Dreams and Nightmares

**In the mind of a genius :
Léonardo and his lying dreams**

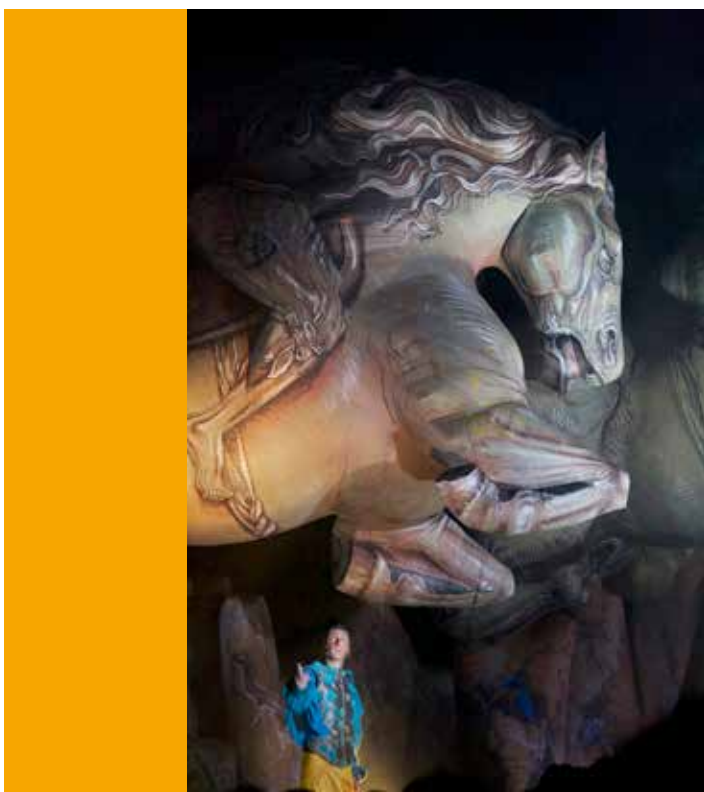
This show invites the audience to rediscover Leonardo da Vinci from a fresh perspective. The sky is transformed into a living canvas, where the inventions, dreams, and torments of this timeless genius come to life. Blending poetry and spectacle, Léonardo, Dreams and Nightmares offers a journey into the heart of the imagination of one of humanity's greatest visionaries.





Show summary

To speak of Leonardo da Vinci — what a bold claim! This man, who embraced so many fields of knowledge, arts, and techniques, was constantly exploring, observing, and questioning the world around him. From his insatiable thirst for understanding, we remember his boundless curiosity, that quest for knowledge which he recorded in thousands of pages: the codices. Through a dialogued dream, Salaï, his disciple, model, and lover, revisits the master's work. He questions this moving knowledge, this thirst for infinity that drives Leonardo's writings and inventions, revealing a world where science and art are one.



- All-ages show
- Fixed format, with introductory parade
- Nighttime performance
- Duration: 50 minutes
- Team: 21 people + 6 or 18 local participants
- Audience: 5.000
- Available language versions: French and English -
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- Performance area: 60m x 40m
- Helium: 430 m³
- Equipment: 2 tons, 12 m³

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Cosmic Parade

A celestial journey

The Cosmic Parade takes the audience on a stellar odyssey, where glowing Meteors, Floating Planets, and Futuristic Spaceships drift through the urban landscape. Like a suspended cosmic ballet, this walking performance immerses spectators in a universe where imagination meets infinity. The Moon shimmers, an Abyss from another world glides through the air, while mysterious celestial bodies emerge from the void, inviting everyone to look up and dream of exploration.



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Aquatic Parade

An ocean of colors and poetry

The Aquatic Parade is a magical and immersive procession, transforming urban spaces into an open-air giant aquarium. Fish, lobsters, jellyfish, and other marine creatures float above the audience, gracefully moving along the designated parade route.



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Saurien Parade

A giant from the depths of time

In the Saurien Parade, a colossal creature emerges from ancient times to roam through the heart of the city. Saurien, a dinosaur of breathtaking dimensions, moves slowly, followed by a mysterious procession where undulating tritons and shadowy abyssal figures intertwine. Its passage oscillates between fascination and mystery, evoking a forgotten world where giants once ruled.



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Festive Winter Parade

The magic of christmas takes flight

The Festive Winter Parade brings the enchantment of the holiday season to life in public spaces through a whimsical and aerial procession. A fantastical flock of birds, led by an eccentric Dodo, chattering Gaggling Geese, and mischievous Vultures, meanders through the city, playfully interacting with spectators. As the parade progresses, visual surprises delight the audience—a towering stack of presents, a blooming giant flower, and the unexpected arrival of a cheeky Hippoguanodon. This poetic and interactive spectacle invites young and old alike to share in a moment of festive joy and imagination.



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The Sunken Parade

A marine fable experienced in augmented reality

The Sunken Parade is a visual and sound-based walking performance that brings to life a procession of hybrid, colorful marine creatures, emerging from a submerged world. The parade also integrates a digital dimension: through the Augmented Carnival app, the audience can trigger augmented reality animations by scanning medallions placed on the costumes. Adaptable to various contexts (festivals, city centers, natural spaces), the parade can also include mask-making workshops, inviting children to join the procession with their own augmented accessories.



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BIOGRAPHY

2025 : Turtle Island
2025 : The Stranger - Voyage to Absurdia
2019 : The light performances : Mon précieux, Sphère mystère, Retour d'expédition
2019 : Nouveau monde
2018 : Leonardo, rêves et cauchemars
2015 : Little Nemo in Slumberland
2011 : Big Bang
2010 : Livre «De nos rêves, occupons le ciel»
2006 : Babilonia
2003 : Détours d'expédition
2002 : Pêcheur de Lune
2002 : Perle
2002 : La Fiancée du Dragon
2001 : Simurgh
1998 : Ngalyod
1998 : Les Ores
1997 : Don Quichotte
1995 : Ezili
1994 : L'Apprenti-Sorcier
1993 : Nuit Saint-Georges
1990 : Cette Année-Là
1988 : Kirkenes
1985 : Julie devient Plasticiens Volants
1985 : installation en région Occitanie
1984 : Gigantomachie
1976 : creation in Paris of the group Julie

EVENTS

Opening ceremony of MASA (African Arts and Entertainment Market), Abidjan, Ivory Coast (2024)
National Day, Abu Dhabi (2022)
Nuit Blanche, Paris, France (2019)
Ben / Boucq - regards croisés, Huberty Breyne Gallery, Bruxelles, Belgique (2019)
Flying Pictures (Os Gemeos, Flying Steps), Musée d'art contemporain, Hamburger Bahnhof, Berlin, Allemagne (2019)
Festival des Lanternes, Gaillac, France (2019)
Carnaval de Sharjah, Emirats arabes unis (2018)
Pause Guitare, Albi, France (2018)
Festival des lumières de Lyon, France (2017)
Asian Indoor Sports and Martial Arts Games, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan (2017)
Olympic Games in Rio, Brazil (2016)
Tomorrowland, Boom, Belgique (2016)
Lille National Orchestra, France (2015)
Olympic and Paralympic Games in Sochi, Russia (2014)
De Bijenkorf, Amsterdam, Holland (2013)
Coca Cola , Renca, Chili (2012)
League Cup at the Stade de France, Paris (2012)
Lille 3000, France (2012, 2015 et 2019)
Museum of Humor in Buenos Aires, Argentina (2012)
Paris Book Fair Porte de Versailles, France (2012)
Tramway inauguration Christian Lacroix, Montpellier, France (2012)
Paris Parade Santiago du Chili (2011)
Parade through Macao Latin City (plusieurs éditions)
Parade, 125th anniversary of Kurfurstendamm, Berlin, Allemagne (2011)

Venise, Vivaldi, Versailles, France (2011)
Bicentennial of Mexican Independence, Mexico (2010)
Xth anniversary d'Autostadt (Volkswagen), Allemagne (2010)
Istanbul European cultural capital, Türkiye (2010)
Rome International Film Festival, Italy (2009)
Year of France in Brazil in Sao Paulo, Brazil (2009)
Expo 08 de Zaragoza, Espagne (2008)
Toulouse European cultural capital, France (2007)
50 years of the Camp Nou stadium in Barcelona, Spain (2007)
Luxembourg European cultural capital (2006)
800th anniversary of the city of Dresden, Germany (2006)
Year of France in China, Toulouse–Chongking (2005)
Nice Carnival, France (several editions)
Tour de France in Paris (2003)
Expo 02 en Suisse (2002)
Taiwan Moon Festival (2002)
Paralympic Games in Sydney, Australia (2000)
World Cycling Championship in Maastricht, Netherlands (1998)
Football World Cup, France (1998)
Mundi Opera in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (1994)
Channel Tunnel, France (1994)
Mediterranean Games in Agde, France (1993)
Barcelona Olympic Games, Spain (1992)

SHOWS

FRANCE

Epernay (2016, 2019 et 2022)
Mâcon (2022)
Lille 3000 (2022 et plusieurs éditions)
Albi, Cantepau (2021)
Sarreguemines (2019)
Nuit Pastel, Albi (2011, 2018)
Toulouse (2006, 2008, 2016)
Les Années Joué (2014, 2016)
Festival d'Aurillac (2015)
Festival RenaissanceS à Bar-le-Duc (2012)
Fest'Arts à Libourne (2011)
Au Bonheur des Mêmes au Grand Bornand (2006)
Festival de la marionnette de Charleville-Mézières (plusieurs éditions)
Viva Cité à Sotteville-lès-Rouen (2003)
Bordeaux (2004)
Nantes (2003)
Chalon Dans La Rue (1991, 1993)
Festival d'Avignon (1983)

ALGERIE Alger (2009)

AUSTRALIE Sydney, Melbourne & Perth (2000)

BELGIQUE Mons (2022)

BRÉZIL

Recife (2017)

Festival de Belo Horizonte (1998)

CAMBODGE Phnom Penh (1999)

CANADA

375 Montréal & Festival d'été de Québec (2017)

Juste pour rire, Montréal & Festival d'été de Québec (2006)

CHILI

Festival Santiago A Mil (2023)

CHINE

Carnaval du ciel, Chengdu (2018)

Shanghai (2006)

Chongqing (2005)

CORÉE SUD Uijeongbu (2006)

ESPAGNE

Valence (2007, 2022 et 2023)

Saragosse (2022)

La Mostra d'Igualada Fira de teatre infantil i juvenil (2019)

Bilbao (plusieurs éd.)

Madrid (2005)

Fira Mediterrania de Manresa (2005)

Forum 2004

Fira de Tàrraga (plusieurs éd.)

Fiesta Merce, Barcelone (1991)

ITALIE

Florence, Notte Bianca (2013)

Turin (2007)

Rome, Notte Bianca (2005)

Milan (2002)

LITUANIE

The Sea Festival, Klaipeda (2019)

MEXICO

Festival Internacional Santa Lucia, Monterrey (2023)

Mexique Tour, bicentenary Guadalajara,

Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua (2017)

Festival international Cervantino, Guanajuato (2003)

Festival culturel de Zacatecas (2003)

MAROC Marrakech (2006)

PAYS-BAS Heerlen, Cultura Nova (plusieurs éditions)

PORTUGAL

Festival dos Canais, Aveiro (2018)

Santa Maria da Feira (2014)

Lisbonne (2014, 2007)

Porto (2007)

ROUMANIE, FITS, Sibiu (2008, 2015 et 2019)

ROYAUME UNI

Edinburgh's Hogmanay (several editions)

Cardiff Festival Wow on the Waterfront (2007)

The Stockton International Riverside Festival (plusieurs éd.)

London Greenwich & Docklands (2004, 2007)

RUSSIE VDNH, Moscow (2018)

SUISSE

Nyon, Paleo Festival (2008)

Suisse 2003

TAIWAN Taipei (several editions)

THAILANDE

Bangkok (2004, 2018, 2019 & 2023)

Samui (2005)

TUNISIE Tunis (2006)

USA

Ganondagan, Victor NY (2025)

TurnPark, West Stockbridge MA (2025)

Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY (2025)

Hudson River Park, Manhattan, New York (2025)

Artpark, Lewiston (2017, 2019 et 2022)

Keybank Rochester Fringe Festival (2017 et 2019)

VENEZUELA Festival international de théâtre, Caracas (2002)



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