

Geometric ballet (Hommage à Oskar Schlemmer) by Ursula Sax

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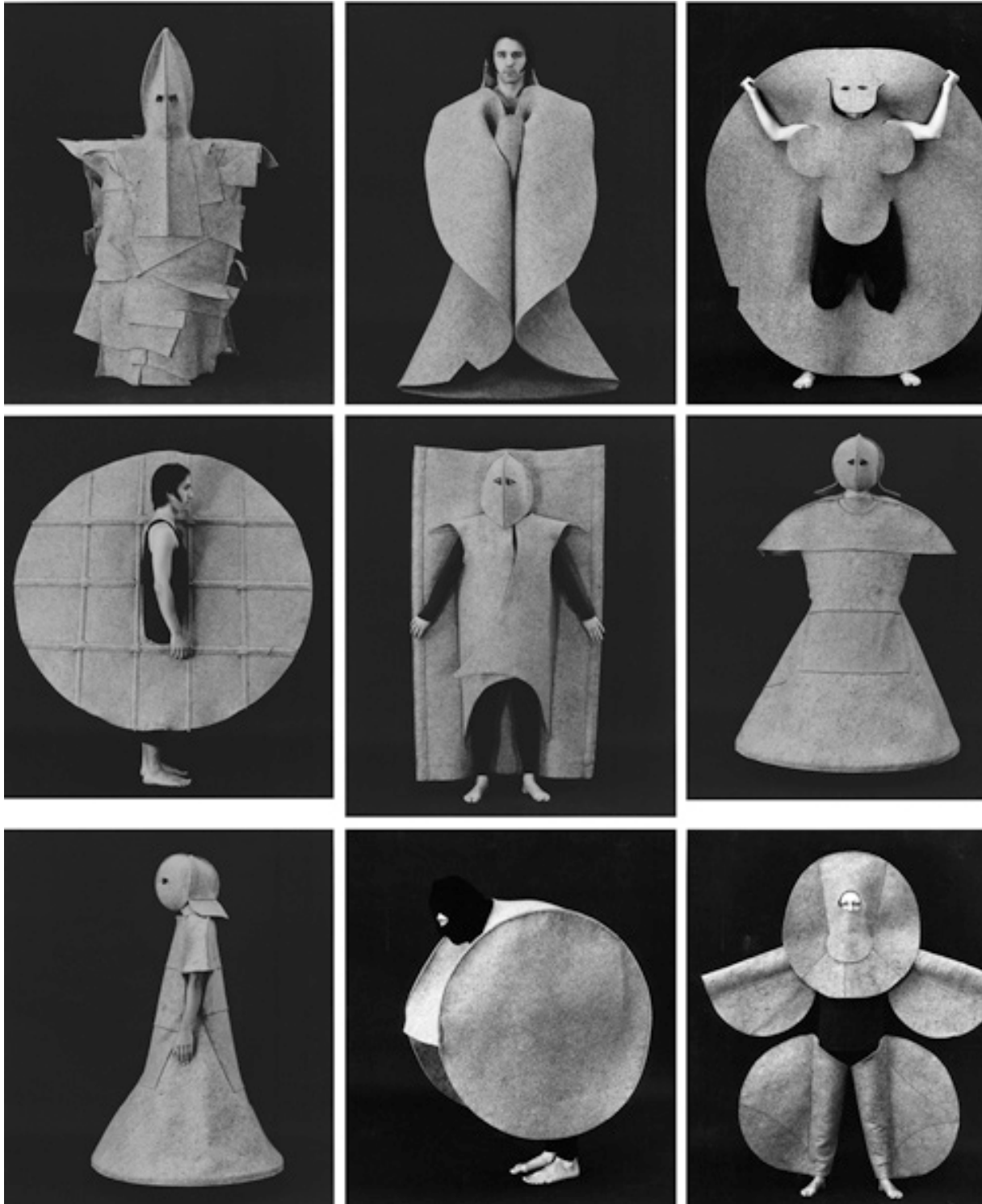
The amazing play *Geometrisches Ballett / Geometric Ballet (a tribute to Oskar Schlemmer)* by Ursula Sax has been waked from its sleeping beauty slumber by Semjon H. N. Semjon and will now premiere in a new production in 2019.

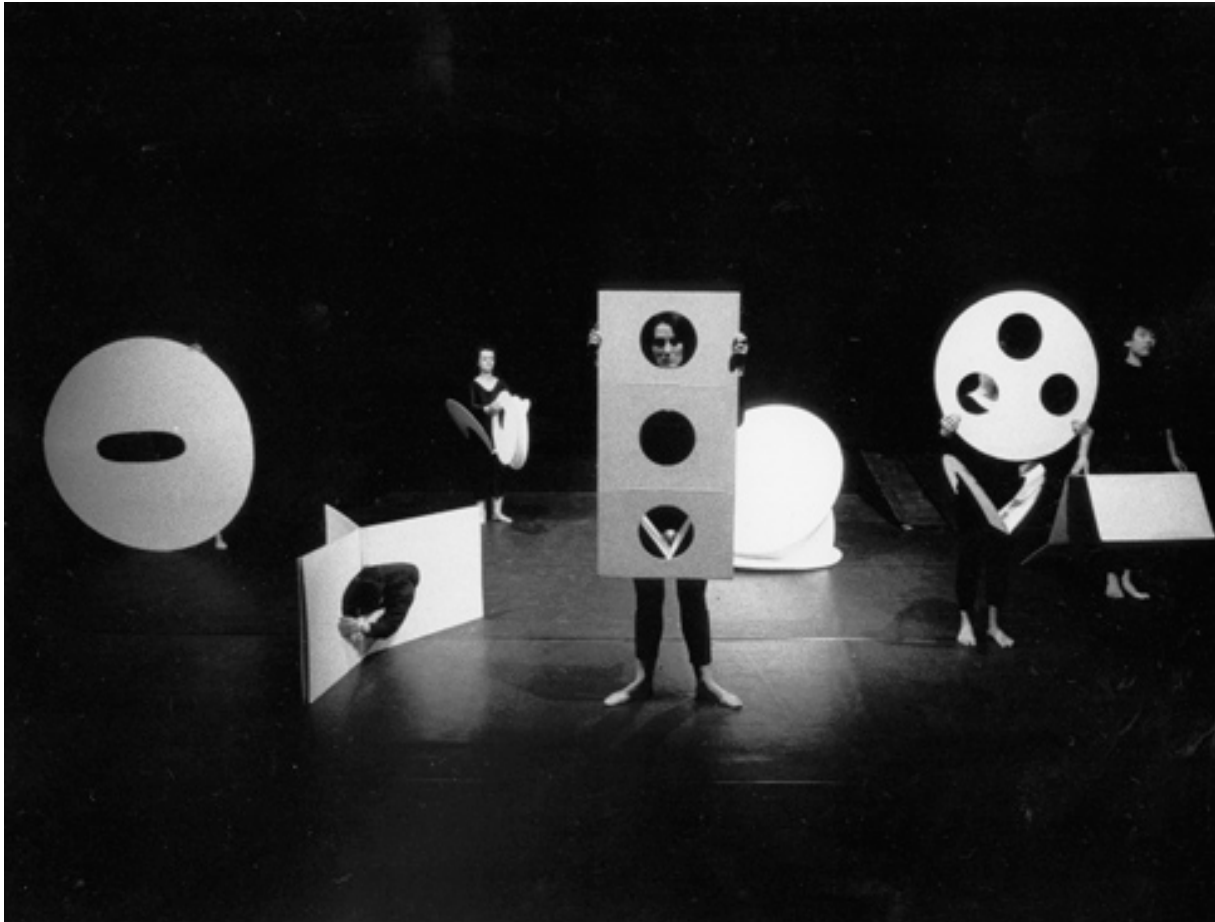
In summer 2018, on behalf of Ursula Sax, Semjon H. N. Semjon, Ursula Sax' gallerist, has concluded a contract with the Dresden production company for theatre and dance, tristan Production | Management | Event, to produce a new version of the *Geometric Ballett / Geometrisches Ballett*.



Premiere

Geometrisches Ballett/Geometric Ballet will premiere in September 2019 at Radialsystem Berlin. Then it will open the Bauhaus-Festival in Dessau, followed by, also in September, another stage version on the reconstructed historical Appia stage at the HELLERAU - Europäisches Zentrum der Künste. Artistic direction will lie in the hands of the choreographer Katja Erfurth from Dresden. The accompanying music will be composed by Sascha Mock, also from Dresden.





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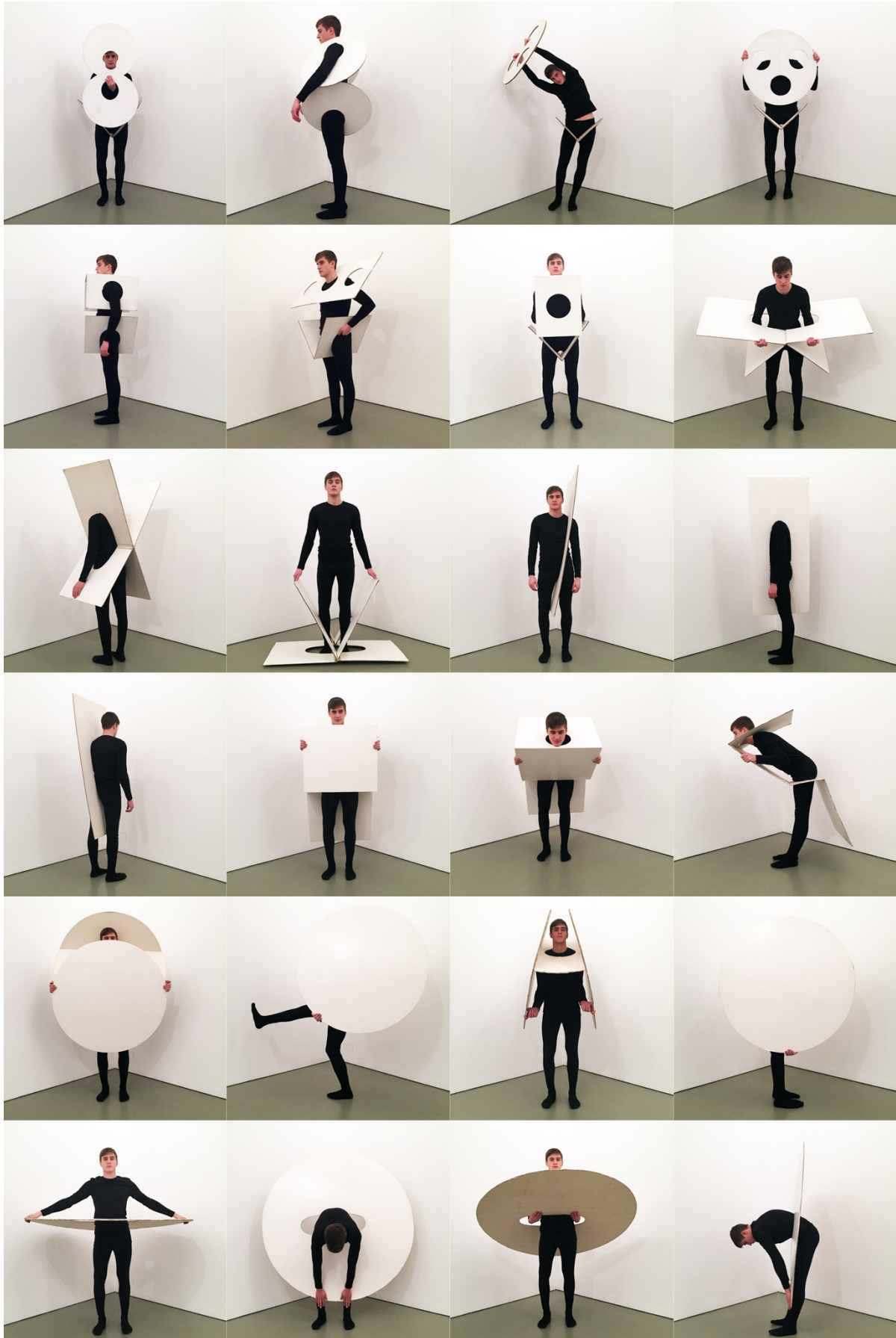
We were interested in keeping the more than 30 dance sculptures (the felt *Body Masks*, the *Air Dresses* made of textile/ Tyfex and the *Body Cardboards*) in the present state of preservation, which wouldn't have been possible, when using the original costumes. Wear, staining and even greater damage would inevitably have been the consequences. Therefore, the original dresses had to be copied for the rehearsals and following performances on various stages.

Crowdfunding Campaign

For this purpose a successful crowdfunding campaign was prepared and launched at kickstarter.com, organized by tristan | Production | Management | Event in Dresden.

Future Donation to the Berlinische Galerie

According to the artist's will the dance sculptures will be donated to the Berlinische Galerie – State Museum of Modern Art, Photography and Architecture after her death, passed to the institution by her gallerist.



You may watch on Youtube, following this [link](#), a 6 minute video by Harald Schluttig, in which Ursula Sax and Semjon H. N. Semjon are talking in Mai 2018 about their vision of a new version of Geometric Ballett (Youtube / Ursula Sax / Vision einer Neuaufführung).

Important dates in 2019

August 25	Opening at Semjon Contemporary, Berlin, oft he exhibition <i>Ursula Sax: Tanz mit dem Raum – das Geometrische Ballett und andere performative Projekte / Dance with the Space – The Geometric Ballet and other Performance Projects</i>
8. August	Opening oft he exhibition at Festspielhaus Hellerau/ HELLERAU – Europäisches Zentrum der Künste <i>Ursula Sax: Tanz mit dem Raum – das Geometrische Ballett und andere performative Projects</i> on occasion of the Appia Festival in Hellerau
September 6	Premiere at Radialsystem
September 7	2nd day of performance at Radialsystem
September 11	Opening piece of the festival <i>Bühne Total / Total Stage</i> by the Stiftung Bauhaus Dessau at new Bauhaus Museum Dessau.
September 20	Premiere oft he Dresden version on the Appia stage at Festspielhaus Hellerau/ HELLERAU – European Center for the Arts
September 21	2nd day of performance at Festspielhaus Hellerau

Advanced booking

The advanced booking for the premiere at [Radialsystem](#) and for [Hellerau](#) has already startet.

New adaption of *Geometrisches Ballett (Hommage à Oskar Schlemmer)* by Ursula Sax
Choreography: Katja Erfurth; a production by Tristan Production | Management | Event UG in coproduction with HELLERAU – Europäisches Zentrum der Künste.
Initiated by Semjon H. N. Semjon, Semjon Contemporary

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Photos: Semjon H. N. Semjon / Ursula Sax, and Ursula Sax / unknown; models: Katja Erfurth and Leon Steinmann as well as unknown.

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