Between heaven and earth Birds as performing arts

A pilot project to develop theater arts with actors and bird reserve in the Nordics

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Collaborations

Naturum Getterön Kulturhotel Hawkraft Långsjö teater Miljø og fødevareministeriet Naturstyrelsen DK Agger Surf & Event "By directing attention to materials or processes in nature, art and aesthetic expression can influence people's environmental ethics" *Emily Brady, 2007*

Purpose

Create a theater tradition network and explore possibilities of a theater performance in the summer 2024 in Thy/Denmark and Hallan/Sweden. The purpose of the work is also to strengthen the bond between man and nature by studying our birds' movements and behaviors and translating the observations into wordless stage art using physical acting tools taken from Eastern theater tradition. Create networks for deepening, practice and knowledge exchange within physical and eastern theater tradition in the Nordics.

Project organisation



Project manager Artistic director:

Kristina Sahlberg Strandteatern



Subject matter expert: Carolina Pizarrro Ikarus stage arts



Subject matter expert: Linda Nyberg Operations manager Naturum Getterön Sverige

Projektgrupp



Celeste Borchorst Faursschou Actress/DK



Linnéa Ytterlid LYA Production Actress/SV



Andrea Arild Långsjö teater Actress/SV



Tatiana Zuccolotto Actress/DK/ Argentina



Ariel Striim Strandteatern Musician SV/DK



Dorte Gadd Host Kulturhotel Hawkraft Danmark

Arrangement

June 2023

Project developers plan, communicate and prepare the project with everyone involved. Together with Linda Nyberg (director of Naturum Getterön in Halland), the study material on the birds is collected.

July 15-17

Carolina Pizarro holds a workshop with the project group (five actors and a musician from Denmark and Sweden) at Kulturhotel Hawkraft in Vestervig DK. They study the birds in order to translate them into movement and mime, inspired by eastern theatre tradition.

After the workshop, collaborations and the public are invited to see parts of our work and take part in a simpler open workshop.

July 18-19

The actors explore venues, collaborations and forms of play for the summer of 2024 in four locations through workshop and performance and interaction as birds. Evaluation with the project group, audience/visitors and our collaborations on the play plastics.

In September we do the same thing at Getterön Nature Reserve in Halland and at Glänninge School in Laholm. Preparatory project planning for summer 2024.