



 PLASTICIENS VOLANTS

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Perle

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**O**ne 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*

**P**lasticiens 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.

With

no mask nor tuba,

Dive into a giant aquarium  
to the scale of your town...

The pearl is bored in its shell which has become too small.  
It dreams of traveling towards another mother-of-pearl bed.

An entire aquatic population comes to help it.

Strengthened by this support, hard and yet powerless, it migrates at last.

Together, they face the dangers of a sometimes raging sea,  
together against wind and tide.

A shell, wider, more comfortable,  
welcomes the beauty between its valves  
opened like arms.

Fixed show and/or parade, duration: 55 minutes, nighttime performance,  
suitable for all audiences, capacity: 5,000 to 10,000 people,  
team of 22 Plasticiens Volants + 5 local collaborators.

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Video link



An entire  
Aquatic population,  
calamaris, sea-horses, crab,  
is roaming in the audience

## 11 inflatable costumes







A  
ppear

a few jumping fishes  
followed by a lobster  
more hefty.





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The lobster  
opens the shell  
which frees the pearl.

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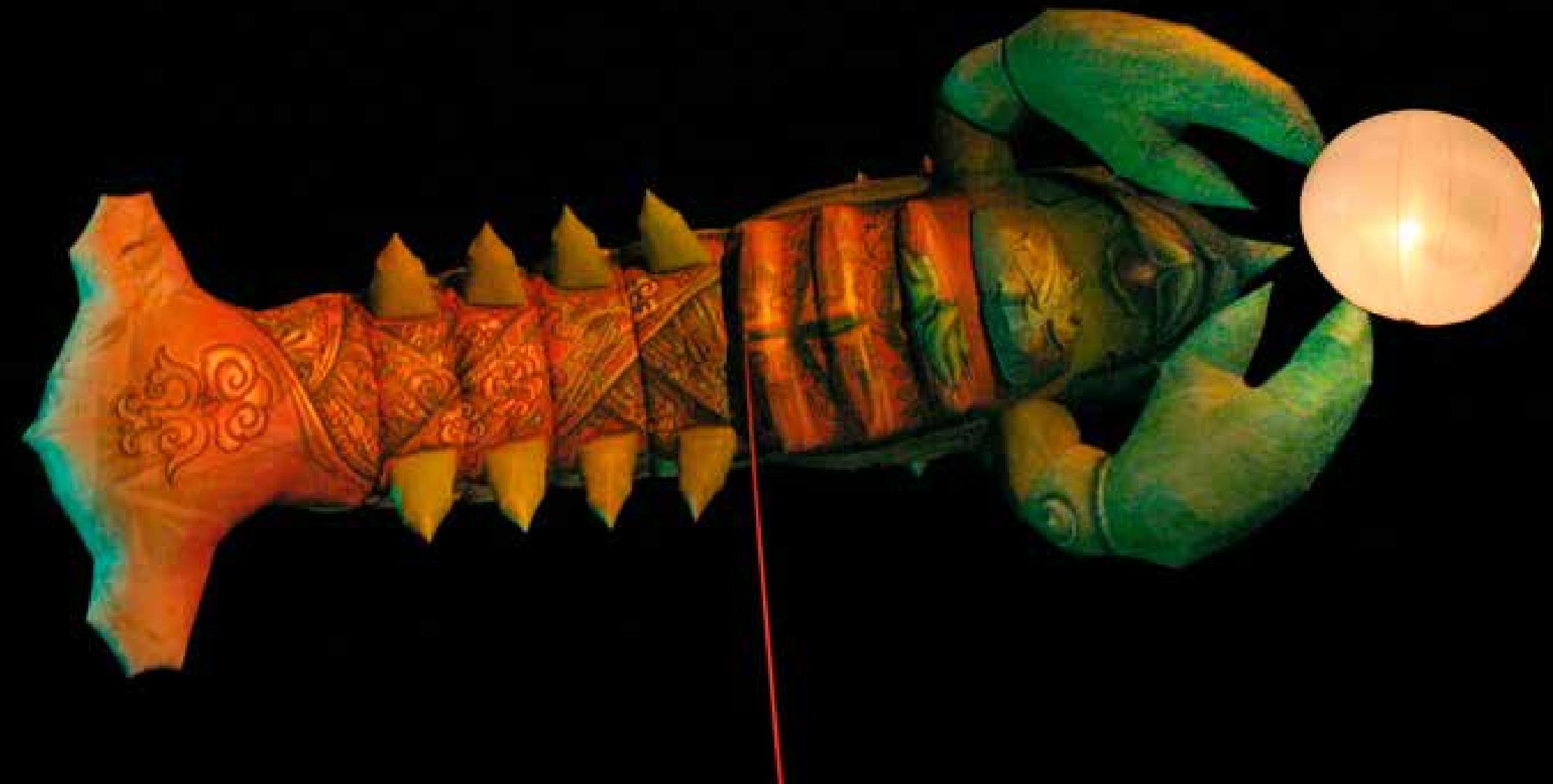


The pearl travels  
from claws to fins to claws  
the lobster protects.



John R. Witt  
PHOTOGRAPH BY FIRE EAT





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A moray threatens,

mean.

It attacks,  
would like to crunch the Pearl.

After the havoc,  
it swallows.









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A  
n Octopus erupts majestically.  
The insatiable moray charges again.  
Bad luck, the octopus swallows the intruder.  
Only its skin remains.



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T  
he octopus

explodes from this indigestible moray.

The pearl escapes from the mess.







SU/50  
SPLIT  
WATER

**M**aestic  
jelly fishes  
come to dance around it.







**T**hey accompany  
the beauty towards a new shell  
Which closes up on it.







John R. W.  
Photographer & Cinematographer



« **S**ince the beginning,

I wanted to be here ;

This place belongs only to the sea

To all the sea...

I'm happy here,

I'm staying,

With the others...»



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## Flying characters

- | 1 Marguerite Fish Pepper > L 9 m x W 4 m x H 4 m > 2 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Red Fish Allègre > L 8 m x W 4 m x H 4 m > 2 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Lobster > L 20 m x W 5 m x h 5 m > 3 Plasticiens Volants
- | 2 Pearls > Ø 2 m > 1 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Moray > L 24 m x Ø 2.5 m > 3 Plasticiens Volants
- | 2 Jelly fishes > Ø 4.3 m x H 6.1 m & H 4.4 m > 2 Plasticiens Volants

## Fixed Set

- | 1 Shell at the start, non flying > L 5 m x W 5 m x H 6 m
- | 1 Octopus, non flying > L 20 m x W 10m x H 9 m
- | 1 Shell at the end, non flying > L 8 m x W 5 m x H 8 m

## Carried inflatables

- | 11 Inflatable costumes > 6 Plasticiens Volants + 5 local actors/dancers
- | 1 Artistic director > 1 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Technical director > 1 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Sound director + sound cart > 1 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Light manager > 1 Plasticiens Volants
- | 1 Production Manager > 1 Plasticiens Volants

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**Total > 22 Plasticiens Volants + 5 local actors/dancers**

**| Option > 1 Whale > L 15 m x l 6.5 m x h 4 m > 3 Plasticiens Volants**



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Gilles Écomard

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STITCHING INFLATABLES

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PAINTING INFLATABLES

Michel Gaucher, Marc Etiève, Agnes Canuto & Guy Sahuc

TECHNICAL MANAGER

Antoine Bourde

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## BIOGRAPHY

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 Kurfürstendamm, Berlin, Allemagne (2011)

Venise, Vivaldi, Versailles, France (2011)  
Bicentennial of Mexican Independence, Mexico (2010)  
Xth anniversary d'Autostadt (Vokswagen), 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 Mômes 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 Quebec (2017)  
Juste pour rire, Montréal & Festival d'été de Quebec (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 Mediterrània de Manresa (2005)

Forum 2004

Fira de Tàrrega (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 Guadalaraja,

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** Taipeh (several editions)

**THAILANDE**

Bangkok (2004, 2018, 2019 & 2023)

Samui (2005)

**TUNISIE** Tunis (2006)

**USA**

Artpark, Lewiston (2017, 2019 et 2022)

Keybank Rochester Fringe Festival (2017 et 2019)

**VENEZUELA** Festival international de théâtre, Caracas (2002)



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