

CHIFFONNADE at the Egg Theater



Visual Story 2024

The Characters

Nia and the Ball



Nia is nice and curious,
Sometimes a bit mysterious
She moves around beautifully, she is a dancer
The Ball has a funny personality
It has a skin that is full of stories
And keeps inside lots of fun objects that will appear
during the show.

About the Show CHIFFONNADE

CHIFFONNADE is a dance show. It is also a theater show. That is the reason we call it dance-theater. CHIFFONNADE is 40 minutes long without an interval.



The show takes place in an open space, just with a blue carpet. Nia and the Ball will move around and have some surprises for you.

The show will have music and lights to help tell the story. Sometimes it might be loud or it might get dark but not for very long.

About the Show

When you come into the theater space, Nia and the Ball will be there already, the show has started. It will be a bit dark just before the action starts, but in a minute the lights and the music will come out.

This is how the lights will look like when you enter the theater room:



The Sounds

The music is interesting, this is a dance show!
Some tunes are slow and mysterious, others full of rhythm that you will feel like dancing along in your chair!

There are some songs played by a contrabass orchestra, others are composed by a Brazilian musician.

There is always a background sound that reminds us of a forest with birds, or the ocean and a ship.

Here we share some of the songs, if you would like to listen to them.

Composer - Song

L'Orchestre de Contrebasses - A Pas de Chat

L'Orchestre de Contrebasses - E.I.m.

Naná Vasconcelos - Tiroleo

Participation

CHIFFONNADE is a show that does not have space for participation. Nothing should stop you from laughing and expressing yourself to your heart's desire though! Just remember to stay in your seat so you do not block the view of the children sitting behind you!

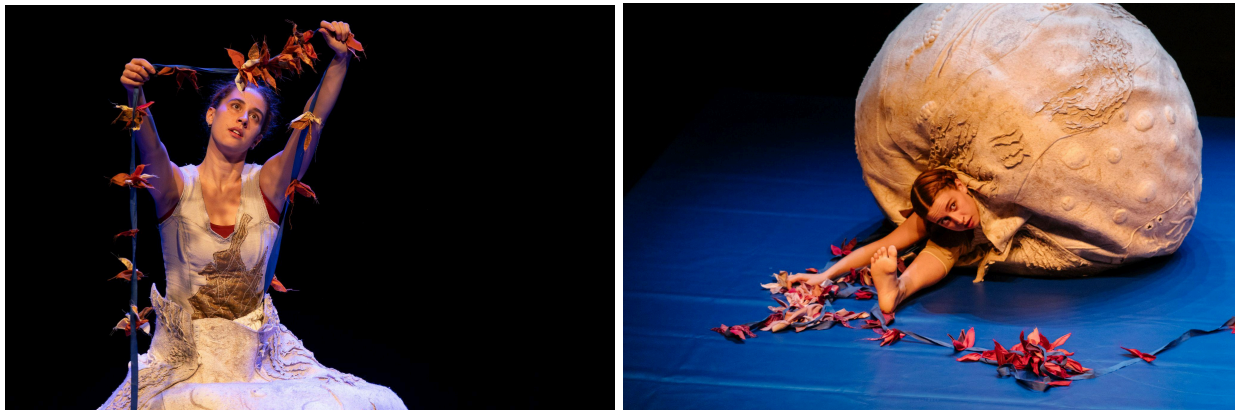
The Story



In the beginning of the show, Nia is inside the ball and curiously looks around and has some fun. She may look a bit bored sometimes, or even fall asleep.



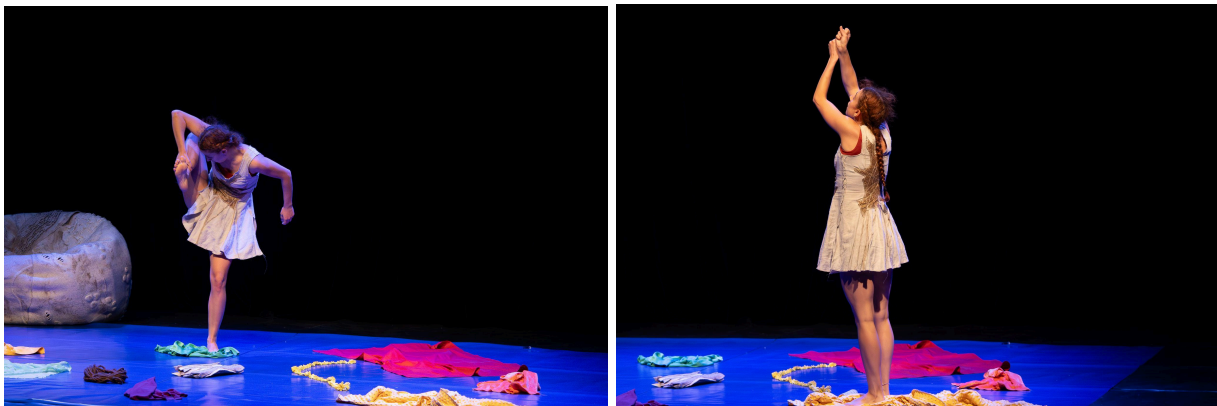
When the music begins, Nia fully enters the ball and it begins to move and roll around, with hands, feet, arms and head peeking out, exploring and discovering what is around.



Suddenly a long blue ribbon appears from the opening of the ball. Nia cautiously pulls and pulls and tugs at it, as it goes on and on and as she does little colorful petals or perhaps butterflies or flowers appear, that create an image on the floor as its trail is left behind.



After recovering the ribbon, Nia appears back out of the ball pulling two green pieces of fabric, lifting them up as she turns before disappearing into the ball again and emerging with many colorful fabrics bunched in her arms.



Nia rolls out of the ball, flipping it overhead to the side before she begins to play with the fabrics, spreading them on the floor, creating a dance with and without them.



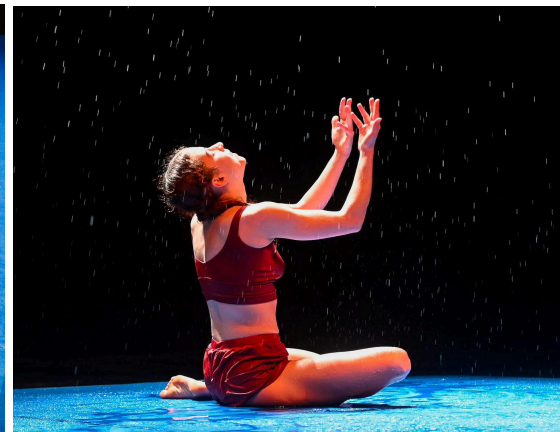
Nia then excitedly begins to throw the fabrics up high making them fall again in a colorful rain and then she gets an idea.



She gathers the fabrics one by one and then begins to create her own little island with the fabrics and even her dress, leaving her in a new red costume. As she rests on her island enjoying her work as if laying on a beach she notices water coming into the side of the blue floor.



After hastily gathering everything into a sack and throwing it over her shoulder she cautiously explores the puddle that has been left on the floor.



Carefully placing her sack with the Ball she then begins to spread the water all around the blue floor, sitting and laying in the water and splashing it around and throwing it up into the air.



Soon a new song begins and Nia starts to dance in the water, sliding and spinning in it, making it fly all around her as she enjoys every bit of it.



As the music begins to end, Nia looks back at the Ball and decides to go back to it, laying down in front of it and giving it a big hug, as the light slowly fades out and the story ends.