**Athens Epidaurus Festival 2021**

**LAYERS OF STREET**

**DANCE – GREEK DEBUT**

**La Veronal – Marcos Morau**

**Pasionaria**

**20 & 21 September, 21:00**

**Peiraios 260 (Hall Η)**

The Layers of Street cycle kept company to audiences throughout the Festival summer, exposing them to new styles and contemporary trends of the international and domestic dance scene. The Festival’s exciting journey through the world of underground dancing now comes to a dynamic close with yet another international production.

La Veronal and Spanish, multi-award-winning choreographer Marcos Morau make their Greek debut in a retro/futuristic performance, taking us along on a journey to a seemingly distant yet also familiar planet.

Marcos Morau’s planet Pasionaria is inhabited by replicas of human beings, designed to perfectly imitate us. Individuals who move around like robots, resembling mechanical statues, in a highly organised society, an artificial copy of real life that lacks something important: what makes us human.

The eight dancers of La Veronal, Àngela Boix, Jon López, Alba Barral, Núria Navarra, Lorena Nogal, Shay Partush, Marina Rodríguez, Sau-Ching Wong collaborate on stage, delivering a hybrid, visually stunning performance, at the intersection of theatre and dance; a scathing commentary on emotional detachment, individualism, and the concept of “false progress” that remains a goal of contemporary societies.

**Marcos Morau**

Spanish-born Marcos Morau studied Choreography at Barcelona’s Theatre Institute, Valencia’s Dance Conservatory and New York’s Movement Research. His artistic activities have expanded to include other forms of art beyond dance, such as photography and dramaturgy. In 2005, he founded La Veronal, an ensemble of artists with diverse backgrounds, spanning dance, photography, cinema, and literature. La Veronal constantly pursues new expressive avenues through interdisciplinary, collective experimentation.

The internationally acclaimed artist has received numerous accolades, including the National Dance Award from the Spanish Ministry of Culture and the Sebastià Gasch Award from the Spanish Foundation for Arts and Design.

La Veronal is the recipient of several awards in international choreographic competitions. Furthermore, Marcos Morau’s performances/choreographies featuring the La Veronal ensemble regularly perform at the world’s most prestigious festivals.

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**Concept - Artistic direction** Marcos Morau

**Choreography** Marcos Morau in collaboration with the dancers

**Assistant choreographer** Lorena Nogal

**Artistic - dramaturgical adviser** Roberto Fratini, Celso Giménez

**Set design** Max Glaenzel

**Costume design** Silvia Delagneau

**Sphere costumes** Goretti Puente

**Masks - Props** GADGET Efectos Especiales

**Helmets** Ricardo Vergne

**Prosthesis** Martí Doy

**Costume construction** Mª Carmen Soriano

**Footwear** Natalio Martín

**Sound design** Juan Cristóbal Saavedra

**Video design** Esterina Zarrillo

**Lighting design - Technical direction** Bernat Jansà

**Technical assistance - SFX** David Pascual

**Repetition** Estela Merlos

**Co-creators - Performers** Àngela Boix, Jon López, Alba Barral, Núria Navarra, Lorena Nogal, Shay Partush, Marina Rodríguez, Sau-Ching Wong

**Set design**Max Glaenzel

**Executive production** Juan Manuel Gil Galindo, Cristina Goñi Adot

**Co-production**Teatros del Canal (Madrid), Théâtre National de Chaillot (Paris), Les Théâtres de la Ville de Luxembourg (Luxembourg), Sadler's Wells (London), Tanz im August/ HAU Hebbel am Ufer (Berlin), Grec 2018 Festival de Barcelona – Institut de Cultura Ajuntament de Barcelona (Barcelona), Oriente Occidente Dance Festival (Rovereto, Italy), Mercat de les Flors (Barcelona)

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