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BORIS CHARMATZ'S *ENFANT* WITH A GROUP OF BERLIN CHILDREN AT THE VOLKSBÜHNE FROM 21 JUNE.

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Rehearsals for *enfant* by Boris Charmatz in the Volksbühne – Photo: Gianmarco Bresadola

French choreographer Boris Charmatz and the Musée de la danse are presenting a new production of the dance piece *enfant* (Child) with a group of children from Berlin for the first time in the Volksbühne on 21 June, and you are cordially invited.

Charmatz caused a stir on the international stage with the world premiere of *enfant* back in 2011. The piece begins with an eerie machine ballet and ends in a nearly exuberant state. Children run, twitch, sing, jump and riot. Raucous at times, silent at others, *enfant* is one of the most intense and moving dance performances of recent years, forcing our attention onto our relation to the nature of children.

The 15 children from Berlin are between six and 10 years old. Since the beginning of February, they've been rehearsing the piece on the Volksbühne's rehearsal stage in Berlin-Rummelsburg. Last week the children, and the

grown-up dancers, took to the main stage on Rosa-Luxemburg-Platz for the first time. After the premiere, this new version of *enfant* with the Berlin cast will travel to Athens (July) and Charleroi (November) and return to the Volksbühne for further performances.

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Thursday, 21 June 2018, 7:30 pm

Volksbühne main stage

Additional performances on 22 and 23 June, 7:30 pm

Audience Q&A with Boris Charmatz on 22 June, around 8:45 pm

Choreography: Boris Charmatz

Dancers: Nuno Bizarro, Matthieu Burner, Ashley Chen, Olga Dukhovnaya, Julien Gallée-Ferré, Peggy Grelat, Maud Le Pladec, Thierry Micouin, Solène Wachter

Children: Maribelle Bakowski, June Conlin, Mathis Eberhard, Julia Frank, Anna-Maria Ignatushchenko, Larissa Malie Jentsch, Milo Josefsohn, Ruby Mellahn, Max Pohl, Lukas Amaru Runkewitz, Gabriel Schoch, Chloe Stephens, Tom Theiler, Zoe Willens, Elias Willens

Set machinery: Artefact, Frédéric Vannieuwenhuysse, Alexandre Diaz

Costumes: Laure Fonvieille

Light: Yves Godin

Sound: Olivier Renouf

Bagpipes: Erwan Keravec

Tickets are available at the Volksbühne box office, by telephone on +49 (0) 30 2406 5777 and online at www.volksbuehne.berlin.

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