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# Globale Surveillance

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## 2012

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Theatrical project by fabric | ch and Eric Sadin

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Client: Eric Sadin and the Centre National Dramatique de Normandie (CDN), Caen (FR)

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Locations: Caen (FR), Montbéliard (FR)

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Joint production: Comédie de Caen - Centre Dramatique National de Normandie (CDN), École supérieure d'arts et médias de Caen (ESAM), France

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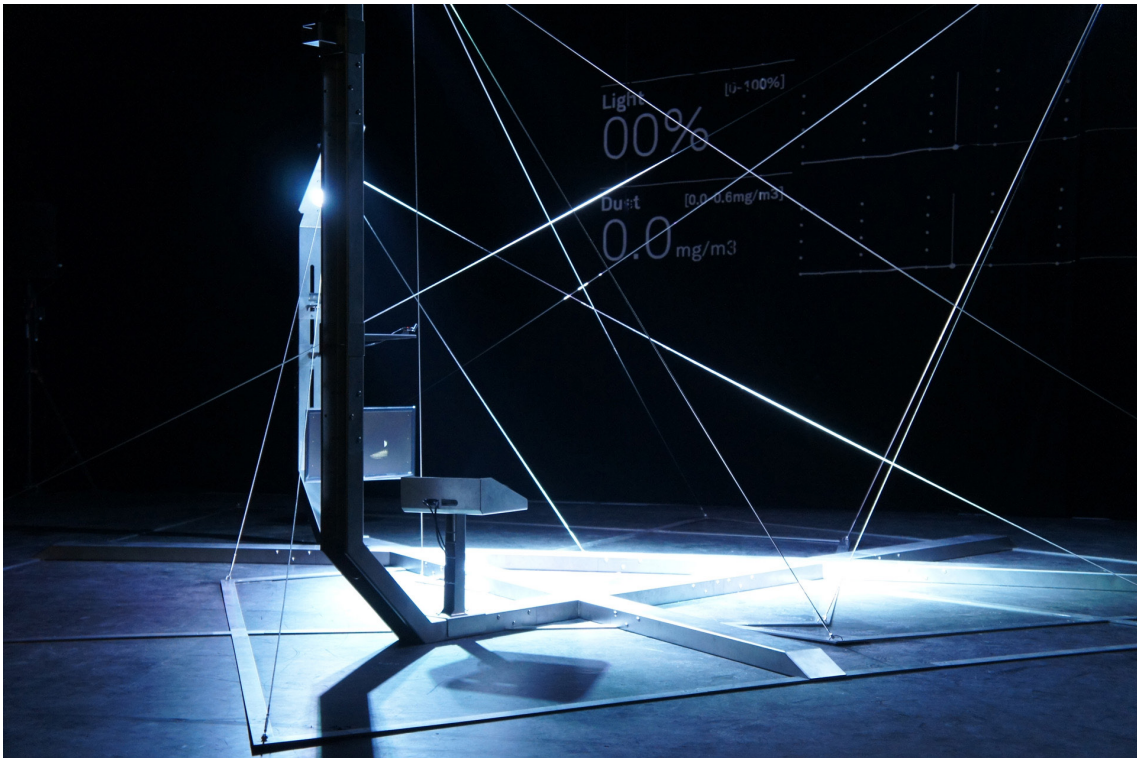
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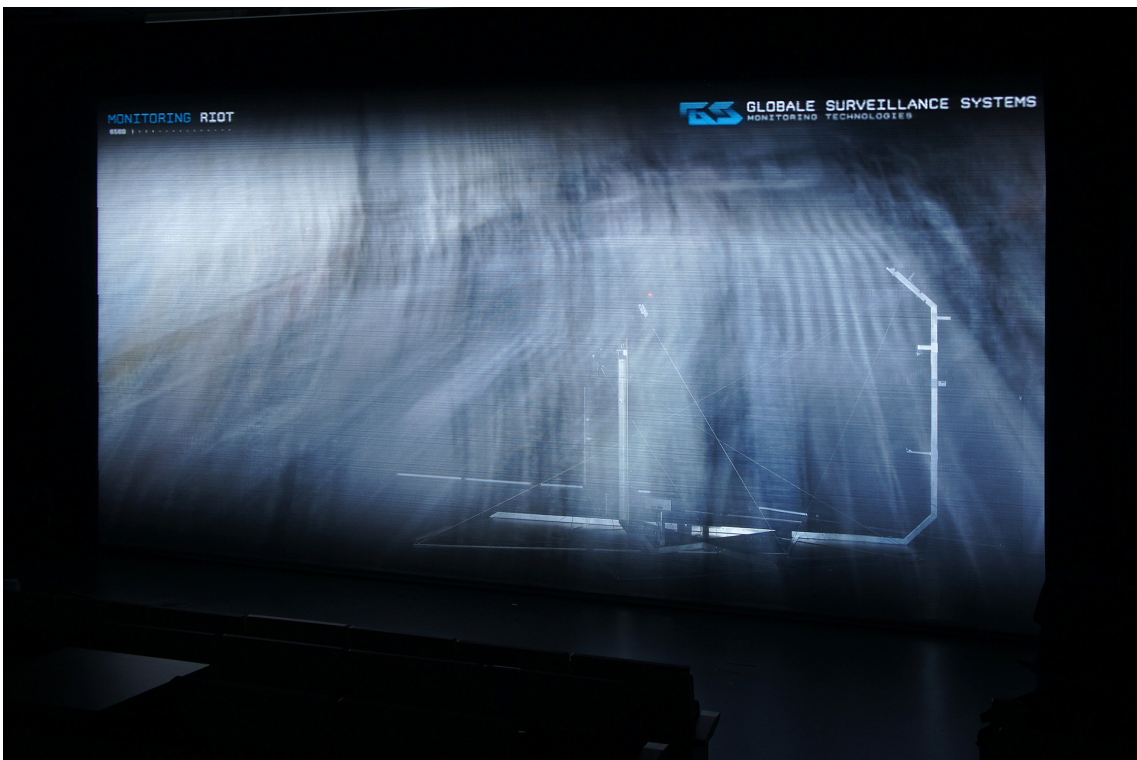
Performed at the Comédie de Caen (Caen, FR) and the MA Scène Nationale (Montbéliard, FR)

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- *Paranoid Shelter* (2012) in use as a theatrical device, on stage
  - Autonomous vs. "mechatronics" use of *Paranoid Shelter* (2012)
  - A fiction driven by monitored data
  - A play about contemporary surveillance
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- Interfaces & software Globale Surveillance



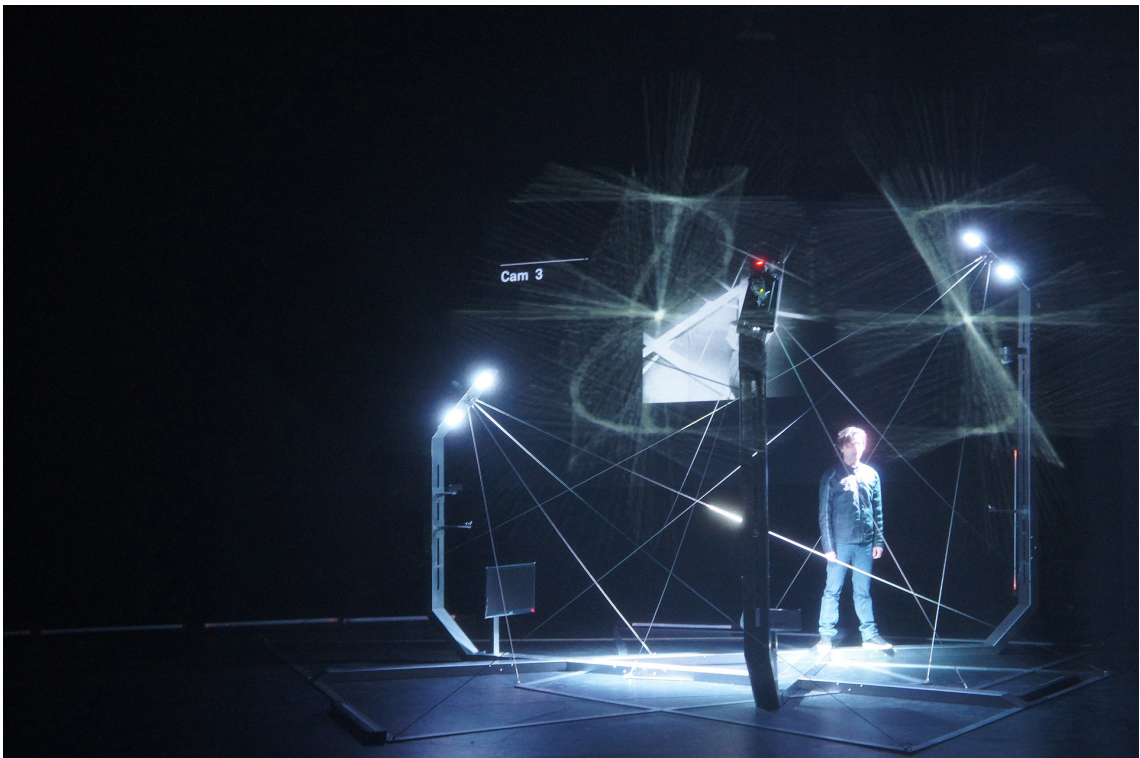
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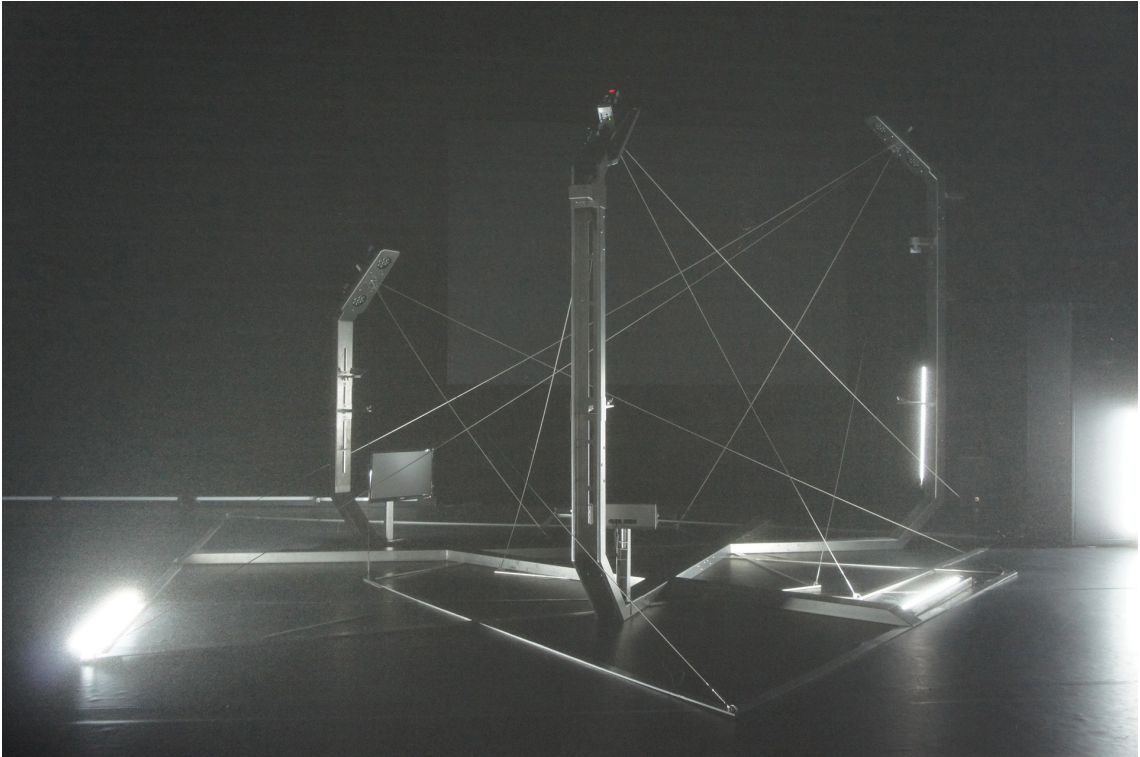
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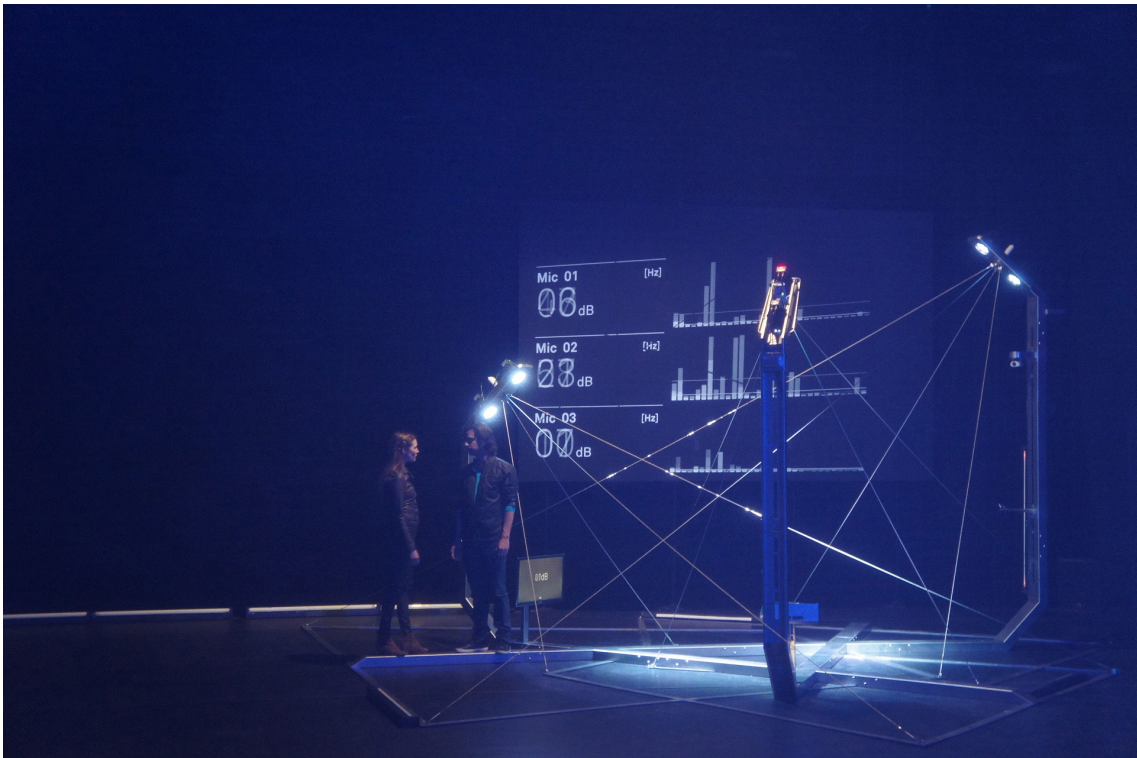
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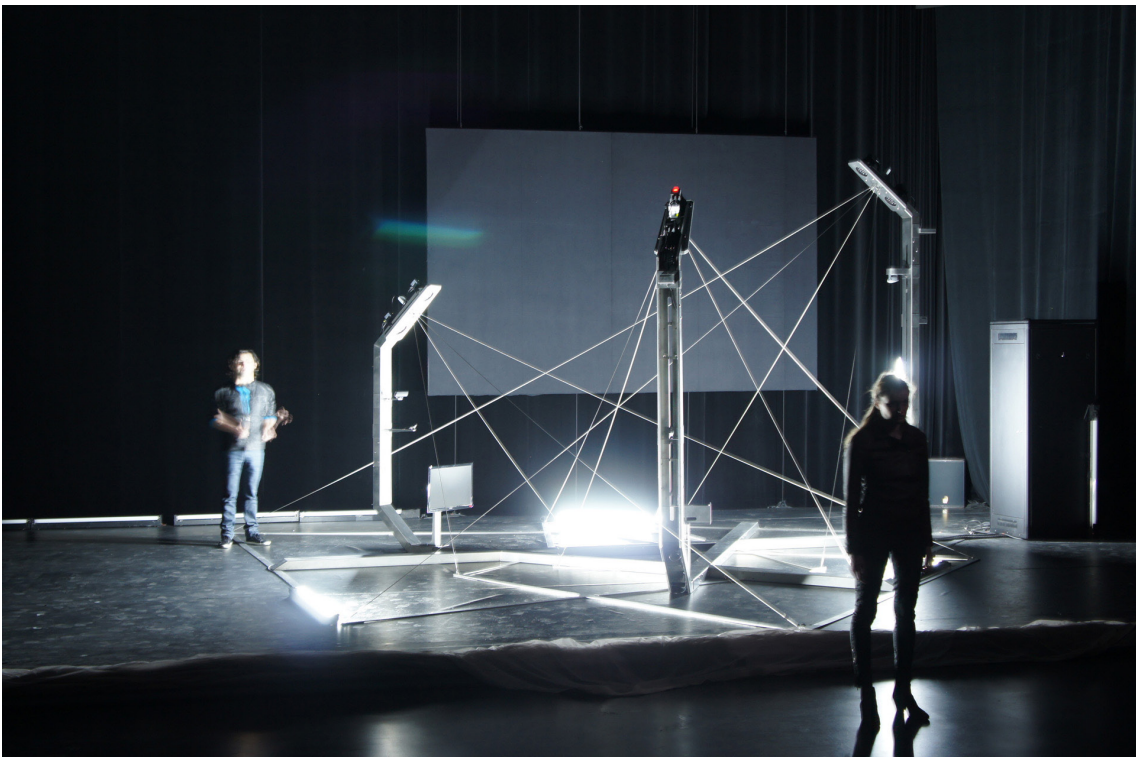
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Image captions:

- [Img. 1] *Paranoid Shelter*, the spatial installation used as a theatrical device. On stage at the Comédie de Caen (Caen, FR) during the performance of *Globale Surveillance*, a play by Eric Sadin, based on his own writings.
- [Img. 2] *Paranoid Shelter*, installed behind a transparent curtain on which live video projection are mapped by video artist NOhista.
- [Img. 4] Interaction between Gurshad Shaheman (actor) and the architectural device.
- [Img. 5] On stage in Caen (FR), with the lighting behavior driven by data.
- [Img. 6] Laure Wolf and Gurshad Shaheman (actors) interact within the data driven architecture and fiction.
- [Img. 7] Laure Wolf and Gurshad Shaheman (actors) interact within the data driven architecture and fiction.
- [Img. 8] Public access is given through *Paranoid Shelter* (access point) to the spectators who can then check surveillance camera and software activities on their own from within the device, so as overall analytics from the play. While login in the system through the dedicated wireless network, the assistance contributes to the accumulation of data about the performance.
- [Img. 9] Laure Wolf discusses the color of its skirt with the system.
- [Img. 12] The last minutes of *Globale Surveillance*.
- [Img. 13] The architectural device stands in its black and white environment. The system starts to work again as an autonomous installation at the end of the play.

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About the play (notice from the Comédie de Caen):

*We live in a world under surveillance, no one would dispute that point anymore. But what configurations do the new devices of control take, in what forms and in which way are they different from the practices of the last century? How do they alter our relationship to the world and to the others? Do they reach the point of threatening the right to privacy? Globale Surveillance sets up a hyper-monitored zone, within which actors and spectators are subject to quantities of traceability procedures, in this case made visible, conversely many scary mechanisms at work daily that are affected by the phenomenon of invisibility.*

Text & staging: Éric Sadin

Scenic architecture, responsive spatial device: fabric | ch

Sound & video design: Nohista

Light design: Abigail Fowler

Actors: Laure Wolf & Gurshad Shaheman

Note: please read the *Paranoid Shelter* pdf for information about the device itself.

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