

## Der letzte Zug des Königs (The King's Final Move)

SCHÄXPIR Theater for Young Audiences at the Ars Electronica Center

June 29 and July 1, 10 AM and 4 PM each day / Deep Space

(Linz, June 24, 2011) A theatrical performance for children is the featured attraction at the Ars Electronica Center on June 29 and July 1. In conjunction with the SCHÄXPIR Theater Festival, the Helix Dance Theater and Ars Electronica are jointly staging "Der letzte Zug des Königs" (The King's Final Move), a dance-based whodunit developed especially for Deep Space and for novice detectives age 5 and up. Performances are at 10 AM and 4 PM each day.

## A Mysterious Conspiracy

A game of chess without a king? Unthinkable! After all, the king is the key piece in The Game of Kings. His disappearance puts the play's other protagonists in jeopardy. Who's to blame that his current whereabouts are utterly unknown? Are there other victims? Just like in a detective story, a dastardly deed is reconstructed and a mysterious conspiracy revealed. The play takes the rules of chess as its point of departure. But the point isn't to checkmate the king; it's to find him. In the 3D spatial concept developed by the Ars Electronica Futurelab, the dancers are juxtaposed to chess pieces, which makes for some fascinating gambits and exchanges back and forth between reality and illusion.

## Deep Space

Visitors can experience a new dimension of travel through space and time. The spectrum of projects on display in Deep Space ranges from artistic works that utilize a wide array of graphic techniques and approaches all the way to interactive storytelling, from architectural and art historical visualizations to images shot by state-of-the-art cameras positioned in outer space. The technological heart of Deep Space consists of eight 1080p HD- and Active Stereo-capable Barco Galaxy NH12 projectors. The images are projected onto mammoth 16x9-meter displays mounted on the wall as well as in the floor. A great vantage-point view and a dizzying shift of perspective is available from the Deep Space Platform set up at an altitude of about five meters.

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