

PRITCHETT, DORIS DAVIS. Interchange. A videotape of the dance is available for consultation at the Walton Clinton Jackson Library, The University of North Carolina at Greensboro. (1972) Directed by: Miss Virginia Moomaw. Pp. 6.

The desire to create a choreographic work purely from a design stimulus led to the cerebral approach to this choreography and to the need for a scheme. The choreographer wanted a scheme which would be used originally in a cold and calculated manner and be transformed into something entirely new through the use of elements of dance.

At this point in planning, this writer became aware of the space patterns dictated by the shapes in the letters of her name (Doris) when signed in script. The diagonal and circular patterns stimulated both floor patterns and body designs. The dynamics used in writing the letters indicated flowing and percussive rhythmic patterns and also variations in tempo were suggested. There are five letters in the name and five dancers in various groupings of two to five, the number of dancers being part of the scheme.

One section of the dance uses structured improvisation with a shift in emphasis from floor design to body design. This shape emphasis is continued in the next section which is structured in passacaglia form. The music is The Winter Consort by Paul Winter and Group.

Selecting movement ideas in terms of a scheme becomes an intriguing and challenging choreographic process. It is hoped that the audience will find these patterns interesting as the dance evolves. INTERCHANGE

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THE WINTER CONSORT

by

Paul Winter and Group

| Section | I | Ballad In 7/8 |
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| Section | II | Koto Piece |
| Section | III | Spring |
| Section | TV | Ballad In 7/8 (last 2 minutes) |

Recording: A&M SP 4170 Score: Unavailable

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COSTUMES

Basic white lectards and footless tights. Apply paint in random "spots" on both lectards and tights.

Paint: Use a day light fluorescent paint. It has a glow quality without the use of black light.

Paint colors:

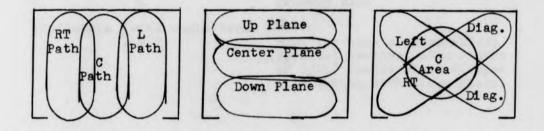
1. Purple

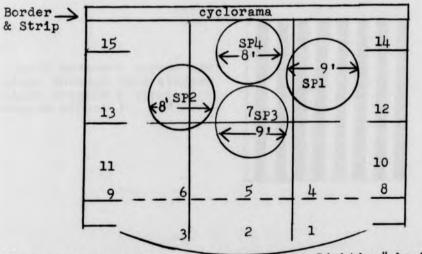
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- 2. Fuchsia
- 3. Orange

LIGHTING DIAGRAMS

| Lights | Stage Area | Special Spot 1 Upstage Left |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1,4 2,5 3,6 7 8 9 10,11 12,13 14,15 | Left Path Center Path Right Path Center Area Left Diagonal Right Diagonal Down Plane Center Plane Upstage Plane | 2 Upstage Right 3 Center Stage 4 Upstage Center Border & Strip Cyclorama Projector 1 Left Diagonal 2 Right Diagonal |





Diagrams from monthly articles, "Dance Lighting" by Thomas Skelton, Dance Magazine, Oct. 1955-Dec. 1956.

LIGHT COLOR CHART

Light

Color

| 1.3.5 | Primary Blue |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| 1,3,5 2,4,6 7,8,9 | Primary Green |
| 7.8.9 | Bastard Amber |
| 10,12,14 | Primary Red |
| 11,13,15 | Primary Red |

Upstage Border & Strip for Cyclorama

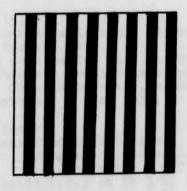
Special Spot 1 2 3 4

Projectors (wide angle lens) 1 & 2 Red and Green alternating

Bastard Amber Primary Red Primary Red Primary Blue

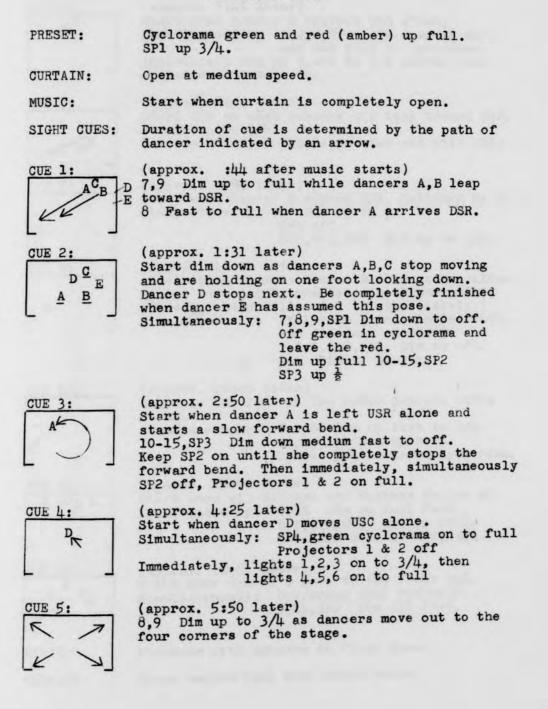
Make for each a glass slide: Vertical stripes, even widths of 1/16" opaque black stripes alternating with clear glass.

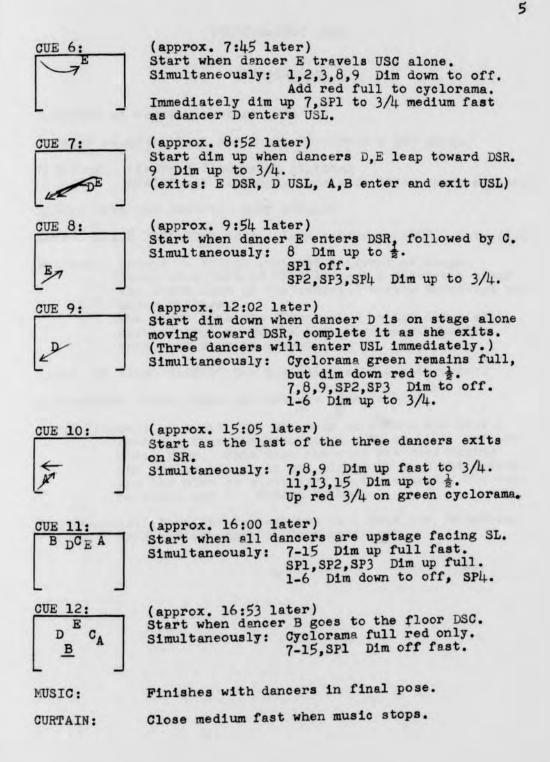
(Rapid movement across the stage through this striped light creates a stroboscopic effect.)



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LIGHTING CUES





PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

Videotaping

Distance of camera to stage: 36'

Size of stage: width, 36' back, 28' front x 30' depth.

Lighting: Overhead fluorscent lighting Additional lighting: one side light on each side.

Camera make and number: Sony AVC3400

Lens: 1:1.8 122-50MM zoom. Lens setting: 50MM. Apt: fl.8

Process: Camera on tripod centered in front of stage. Stage area defined with large 4 x 8 screens along the sight line of the camera: narrow downstage and wider upstage. The sight line was also marked on the floor with masking tape so the dancers were aware exactly when they were on camera.

Tape: 3M VIDEO TAPE 1" for Helical Scan Video Recorder.

Videocorder (deck) make and number: Sony AV3400

Sound Process: A music tape was made on a Bell and Howell recorder from the Recording: A&M SP 4170, see the Music Page. This same recorder was used during the videotaping. It was placed 8' from the camera and the mike is stationary on the camera. The tape recorder was a medium volumn.

Copy Process: Danville Cablevision Co., Danville, Virginia, produced the copy on Sony equipment.

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