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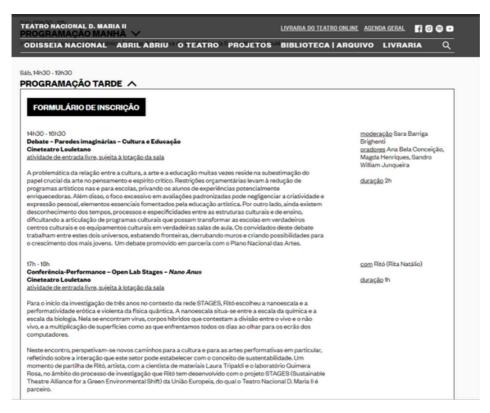


Nano Anus

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OPEN LAB PROGRAM

This Open Lab was part of a larger thinking event called "Cenários Futuros" (Future Scenarios).



OPEN LAB CONTENT

The Cenários programme points towards reflection on the past, the present, and the future. At the end of each quarter of 2023, a large event focused on thought will reflect on the Odyssey's journey and highlight regional work, with a unifying view on its respective region. The programme takes several formats, from round tables to informal meetings, in order to involve different groups and audiences.

One year into the adventure, the final moment of the Cenários programme examines the possible legacy of this Odisseia Nacional, without losing sight of the challenges of the future. An exercise in projecting new paths for national culture, now starting from Loulé.



Ritó is a double agent. At night, he embraces embodied and somatic fictional writing, unfolded like the wings of a large insect or the paranoid flaps of a digital clitoris. By day, he fosters encounters between disciplines and people in a project he has been coordinating since 2020, the Terra Batida platform, a network of people, practices and knowledge that contests ecological violence and follows socio-environmental conflicts in Portugal. For the beginning of the 3-year research in the context of the STAGES network, Ritó chose the nanoscale, and the erotic and violent performativity of quantum physics. The nanoscale lies between the scale of chemistry and the scale of biology. There, one will find viruses, hybrid bodies that contest the division between the living and the non-living, and the multiplication of surfaces as the ones we face everyday while looking at computer screens.

According to Laura Tripaldi, a material scientist invited to this first open lab, the possibilities of nanotechnology are immense, due to the effect of the multiplication of surfaces, and the amplification of a contact zone between different bodies, absolutely performative, in which it is not possible to assertively distinguish between two things, two bodies, two identities, two genders, two materials.

Together with Quimera Rosa, a nomadic laboratory created in Barcelona in 2008 that investigates and experiments with the body, technoscience and identities, this first collective workshop will reflect on non-binary environments, based on the possibility of reappropriating biotechnology, and rethinking the theatrical space in a broader space of political transience across scales, bodies and genders.





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