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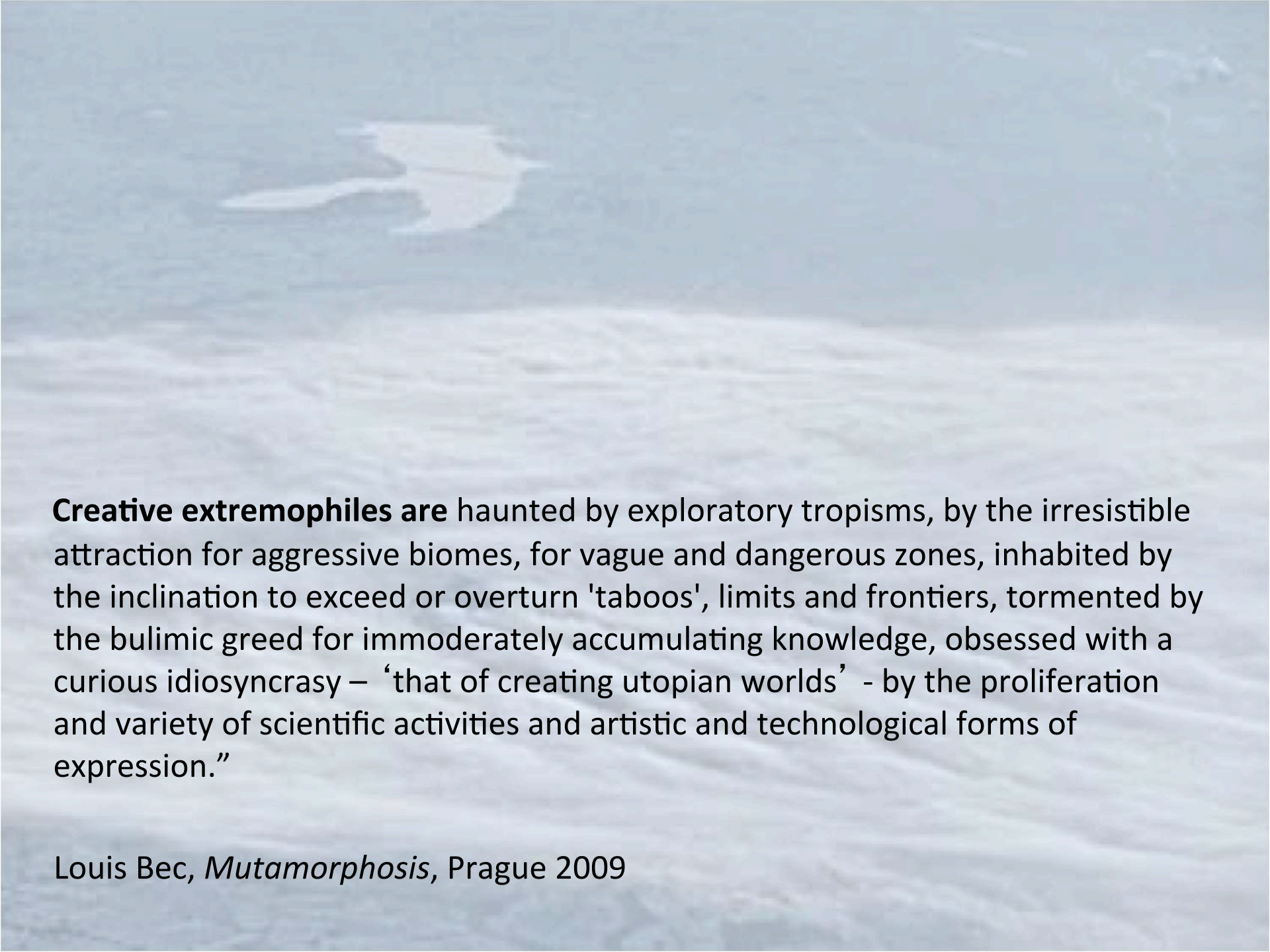
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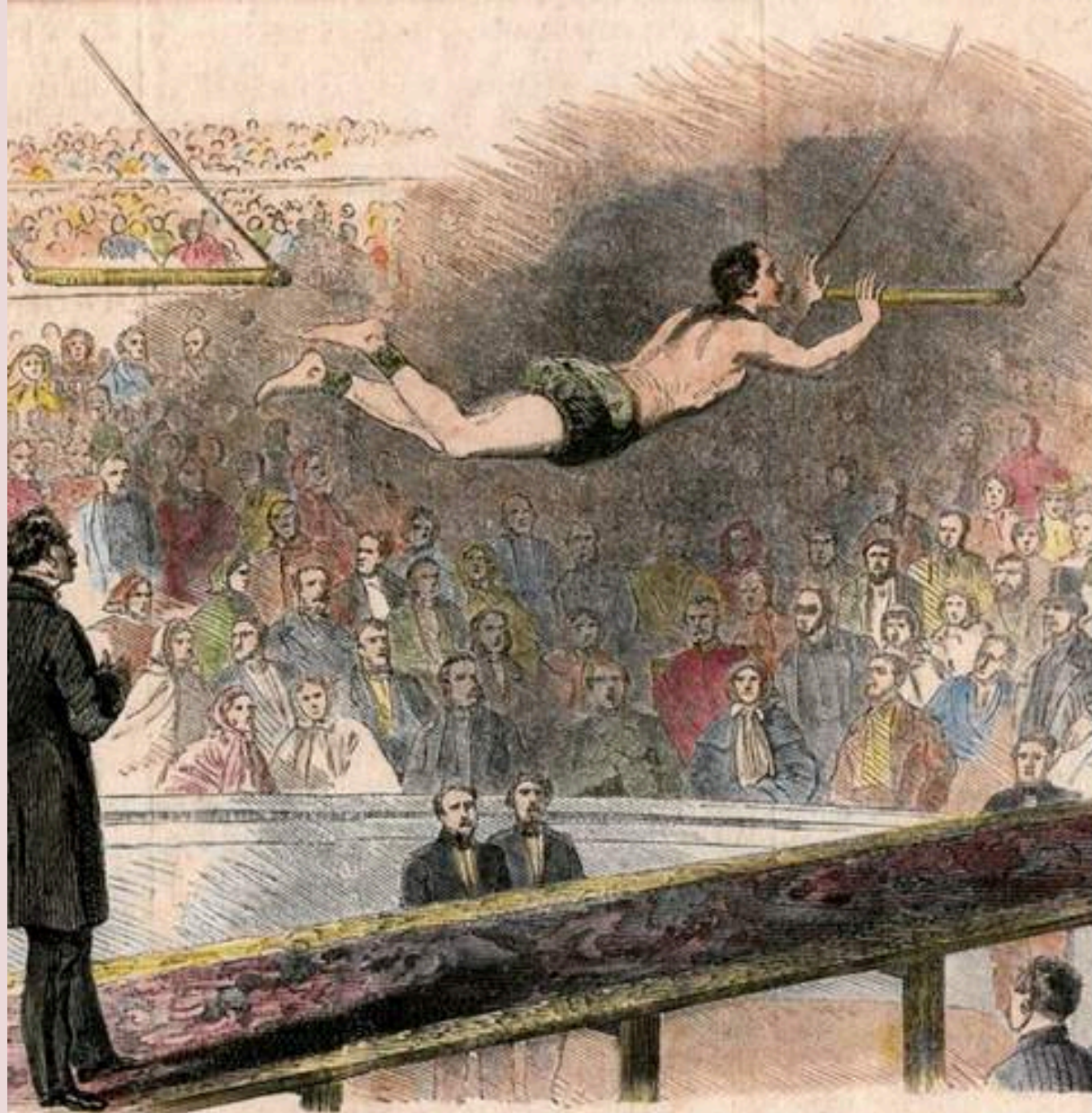
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Creative extremophiles are haunted by exploratory tropisms, by the irresistible attraction for aggressive biomes, for vague and dangerous zones, inhabited by the inclination to exceed or overturn 'taboos', limits and frontiers, tormented by the bulimic greed for immoderately accumulating knowledge, obsessed with a curious idiosyncrasy – ‘that of creating utopian worlds’ - by the proliferation and variety of scientific activities and artistic and technological forms of expression.”

Louis Bec, *Mutamorphosis*, Prague 2009



Léotard ou l'homme volant au cirque Napoléon.



Kitso Dubois, CNES, 1990



Kitso Dubois, IMUTE, Imperia, Italy, 1997



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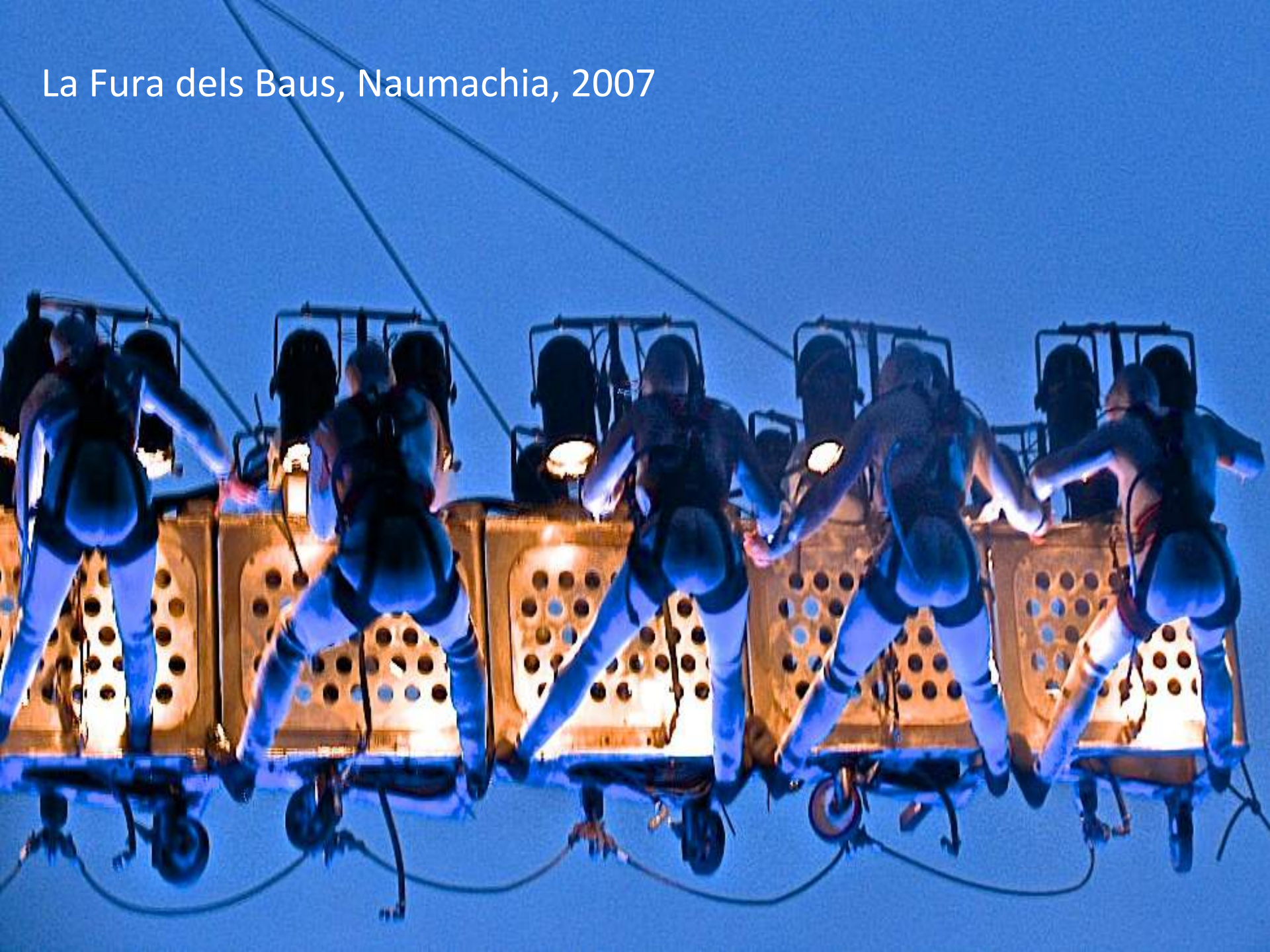


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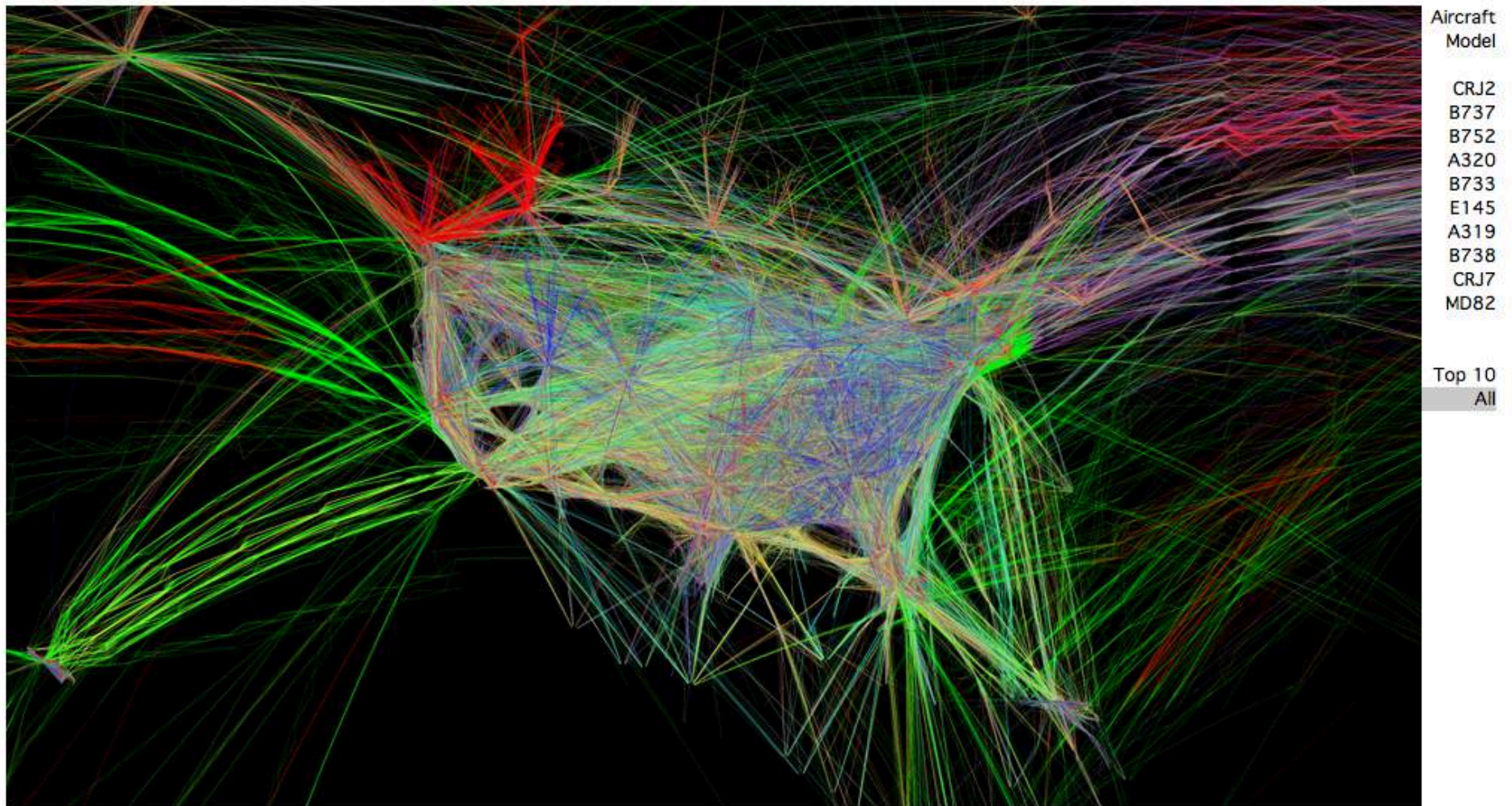
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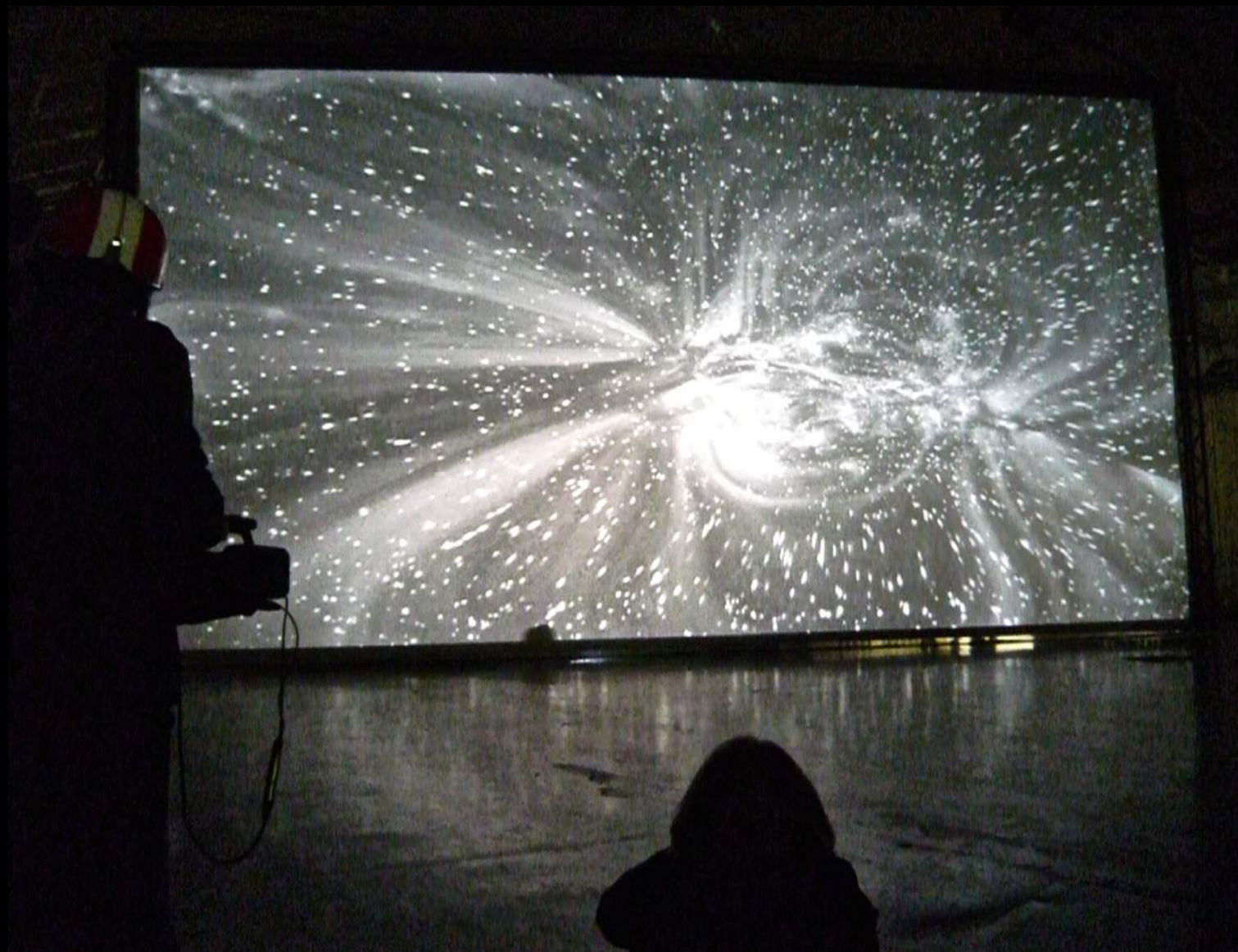
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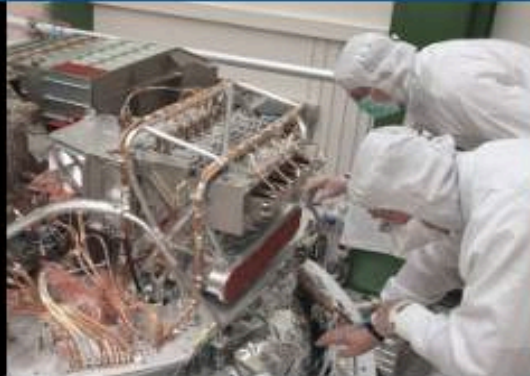
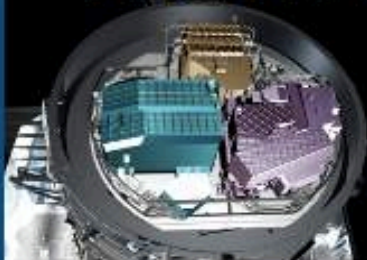
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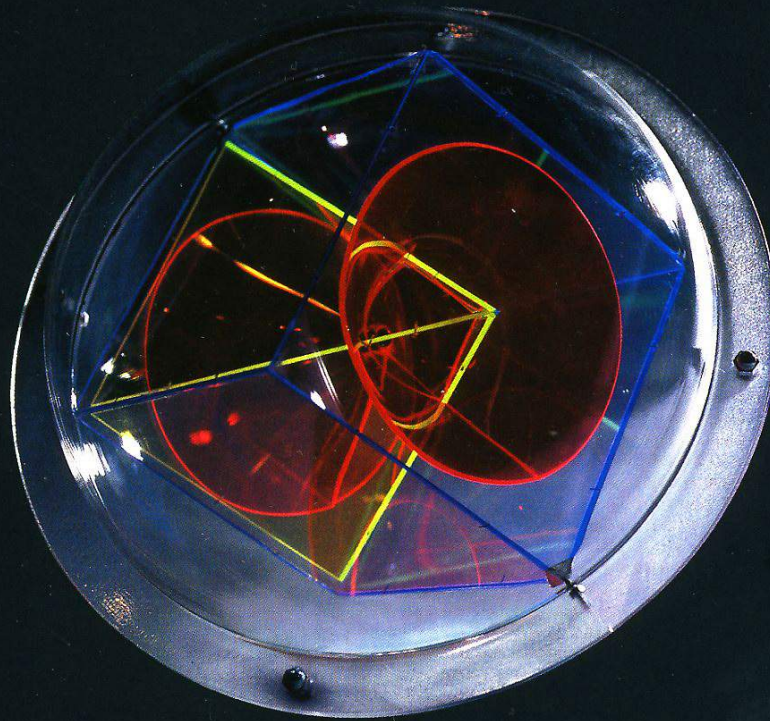
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Jacques Polieri (1928-2011) scenographic project

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