

# Beyond Text: Theater and Performance in Print After 1900

In the early 20th century, a new era of theater and performance began. This era was marked by a shift away from traditional text-based theater and towards a more experimental and visual form of performance. This shift was due in part to the rise of new technologies, such as photography and film, which allowed for the documentation and dissemination of performance in ways that had not been possible before.



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As a result of these changes, a new body of work emerged that explored the relationship between text and performance. This work, which came to be known as "performance art," often involved the use of live performers, objects, and sound to create immersive and ephemeral experiences for audiences.

## The Rise of Performance Art

Performance art emerged in the 1960s as a reaction to the traditional conventions of theater. Performance artists sought to break free from the constraints of text and to create works that were more experimental and interactive. They often used their bodies as a medium for expression, and they often incorporated elements of dance, music, and visual art into their performances.

One of the most influential performance artists of this era was Marina Abramović. Abramović's work often involved intense physical and emotional experiences, and she frequently invited audiences to participate in her performances. In her most famous work, "The Artist Is Present," Abramović sat silently in a museum gallery for several hours, inviting visitors to sit across from her and make eye contact. The performance lasted for several months, and it drew thousands of visitors from all over the world.

### **Performance Art in Print**

In the 1970s and 1980s, performance art began to be documented and disseminated in print. This was due in part to the rise of new art magazines, such as *Artforum* and *October*, which devoted significant attention to performance art. These magazines published articles, interviews, and reviews of performance art, and they helped to raise the profile of this new genre.

In addition to art magazines, a number of books were also published on performance art during this period. These books provided a more in-depth look at the history, theory, and practice of performance art. They also included reproductions of performance art works, which allowed readers to experience these works firsthand.

## The Legacy of Performance Art

Performance art has had a profound impact on the development of theater and performance. It has challenged traditional notions of what constitutes a performance, and it has opened up new possibilities for artistic expression. Performance art has also had a significant impact on other areas of culture, such as fashion, music, and dance.

Today, performance art continues to be a vital and vibrant genre. It is performed in a variety of venues, from museums and galleries to theaters and nightclubs. Performance art is also increasingly being used in educational and therapeutic settings.

The shift away from text-based theater towards a more experimental and visual form of performance has been one of the most significant developments in the history of theater. This shift has been driven by a number of factors, including the rise of new technologies and the increasing interest in performance art. As a result of these changes, a new body of work has emerged that explores the relationship between text and performance. This work has had a profound impact on the development of theater and performance, and it continues to be a vital and vibrant genre today.

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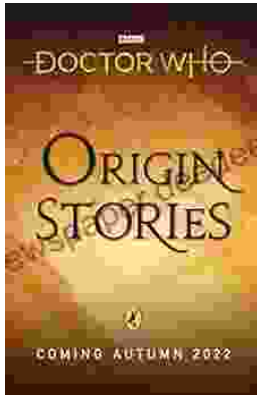
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