

Set for *ROSENFEST Fragment XXX, Szene III*, from the work of Heinrich von Kleist, by Carlo Quartucci, 1984

Music by Henning Christiansen, produced by La Zattera di Babele.

First performance: Berlin, Hebbel-Theater, 14-16 December 1984.

Other performances: Paris, Grande Halle de la Villette, 30 and 31 March 1985 (on the occasion of the *Nouvelle Biennale de Paris*, Sound Section).

The set designed for Scene III of the performance *Rosenfest Fragment XXX* will also be used for Scenes XXIII and XXIV of *Pentesilea*, presented by La Zattera di Babele as part of the programme *La festa delle rose* at the Teatro Olimpico in Rome in November 1986.

“Between two columns (an architectural element used earlier in *Pentesilea / Kleist. Sei frammenti*, 1981) is a backdrop where images are projected. A multitude of torn photographs – a recurring motif in Paolini’s works – is suspended from above. The dissemination of torn photographs occurs in many of Paolini’s works” (L. Cherubini, in *Sipario. Balla, De Chirico, Savinio, Picasso, Paolini, Cucchi*, exhibition catalogue, Rivoli, Castello di Rivoli Museo d’Arte Contemporanea [Milan: Edizioni Charta, 1997], p. 265, revised translation).



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