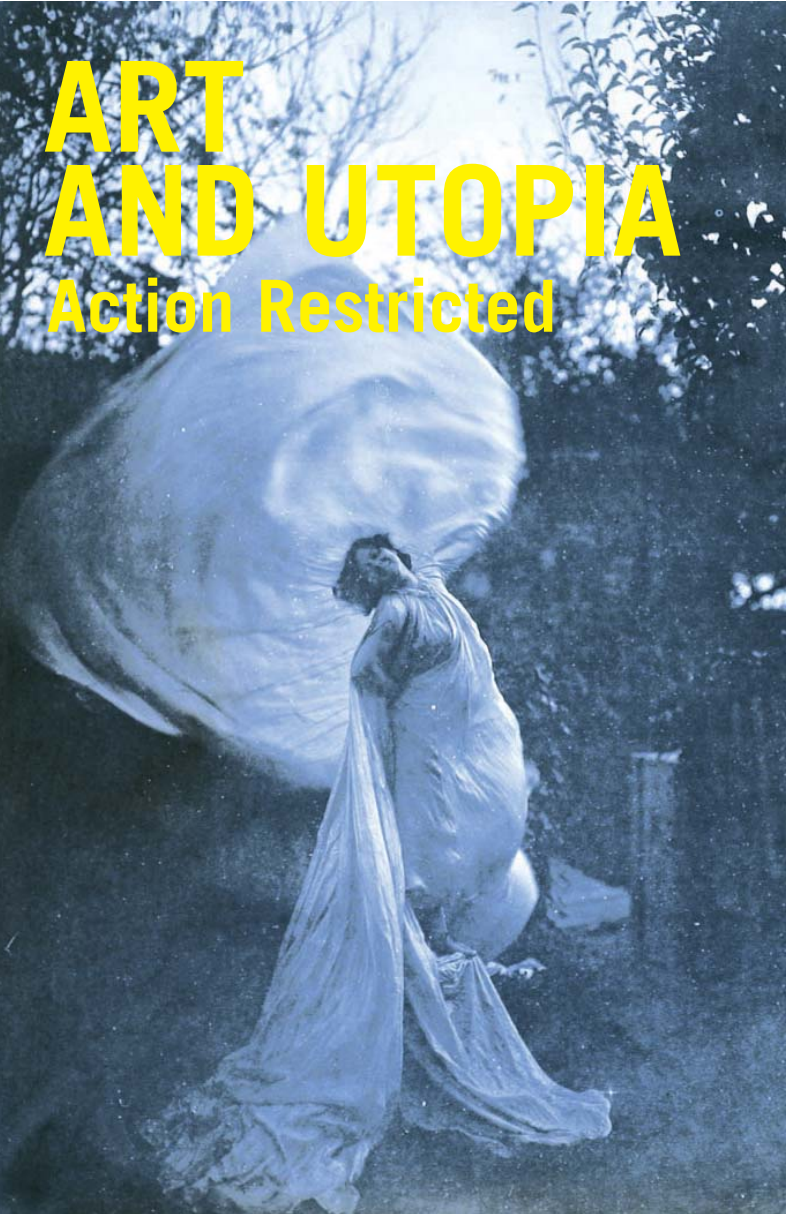


ART AND UTOPIA

Action Restricted

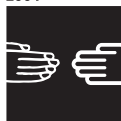


EUGÈNE DRUET. *Loie Fuller dansant*, ca. 1900

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In 1897, Stéphane Mallarmé (1842-1898) published his essay, "Action Restricted" (*L'action restreinte*) in *Divagations*. In it he describes both the limits and the concentration of poetic action.

This exhibition reexamines some key moments in the exchange between art and poetry in the twentieth century until the end of the 1970s. The Mallarmean poetic serves here as a thread for a history of modern art in its grip on language and its dissemination. In March 1970, the Belgian artist and poet, Marcel Broodthaers, declared: "Mallarmé is the source of contemporary art. He unconsciously invents modern space." Nevertheless, the resonance of the Mallarmean poetic exceeds the genealogies of poetry and the visual arts. Mallarmé was also interested in music and the arts of theatre and dance while refuting the Wagnerian model of the total work of art. What is more, the speculative demand of *Un coup de dés's* author aimed to reestablish mystery in poetic experience amidst the vestiges of faith and the ornaments of the everyday. This breach defines the opening of modern space.

ACTIVITIES AROUND THE EXHIBITION

JUNE, THURSDAY 3rd, AT 19.30 h

Art and Utopia. Action Restricted

Lecture by Jean-François Chevrier,
curator of the exhibition.

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Free admission. Limited number of seats.

JUNE, FRIDAY 4th

Mallarmé effect

The Poetical language
in Modern Art Utopies

Course by Jean-François Chevrier,
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Previous inscription. Limited number of seats.

The course will be in french.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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