



Curriculum Vitae

Dupla

Double Rope and Silks

Circus performance &

Aerial storytellers

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Dupla is the dynamic combination of Hege Eriksdatter Østefjells and Madeleine McGowan, circus performers specialising in aerial and physical theatre. We perform highly skilled doubles and duo rope and silks in a theatrical, vibrant style. Our work is suitable for a range of audiences and events. We have a several established acts and love to create new work or perform in ensembles!

Selected Performances:

- *Reach* created with Louise Calinaud for Les Contre-Plongée arts festival, Clermont-Ferrand, France
- *Say what you like...Watch This Space* 2009, National Theatre, London, directed by Heidi Rustgaard
- *Lillesands Da'ene* 2009, opening ceremony of arts festival, Lillesand, Norway
- *Scratch That!* Cabaret at The Hangar Arts Trust, London
- *Turning Point Festival*, the Roundhouse, London
- *Circus Space Cabaret*, The Circus Space, London
- *The Forgotten Circus*, a short film by Shelly Love

Acts:

Nordic Tales	A beautiful and evocative telling of the sort of stories we need in our lives, set against an icy Nordic landscape and explored on a rope.
Under My Skirt!	Two fine ladies, one very big skirt and the power struggle for who gets to wear it, told through some cunning rope work.
Ahoy Captain!	Two fun loving sailors set sail in this cabaret act which gives a nod to the lost world of 1940s cartoons.
Joleen	A small act of appreciation for Dolly Parton! Duo silks.

Education and Training:

Both performers graduated from the BA Hons Circus Arts, The Circus Space in 2009 specialising in rope, silks and double rope. A rounded training including dance, theatre and various circus arts.

Maddie: Diploma in Nouveau Cirque, Scuola di Teatro di Bologna, Italy, 2003-4;
BA Drama, University of Bristol 1999-2002

Hege: Cirkusgymnasiet i Gävle Sweden, 2002-2005

Additional skills:

Acrobatics, movement, dance, puppetry, singing, handstands, trampoline, hula hoop, physical theatre, piano.

Clean drivers licence

Spoken languages: English, Norwegian, Swedish, Italian.

Both performers are experienced leading workshops and teaching circus skills to children and adults.

References:

Juliette Hardy Donaldson, Head of Aerial, The Circus Space,

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Clare Anderson, aerial performer and rigger

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Both performers are members of equity, CRB checked, and can provide public liability insurance.

Risk assessment, tech spec and rigging plan available on request.