## Trust and Betrayal

## A joint workshop with

# Kristin Linklater & Enrique Pardo

New York, July 1998

ARCHIVES notes and dialogues between the directors, leading to the presentation of the workshop. The material is repeated three or four times with editing proposals from both directors.

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#### KRISTIN LINKLATER & ENRIQUE PARDO

A MOST UNUSUAL WORKSHOP (More specific title - pun on "betrayal"?)

JULY 13 TO 26 1998 (new proposals 20 to 31 July)

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#### THE WORKSHOPS

2 weeks (Monday to Saturday: 10a.m. to 6p.m.)

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In the afternoons -- entering a world of contradiction and interdiction that stirs a semantic hornets' nest; a chaotic and ritualized actor-dancer world where exacting group-composition disciplines welcome myth, personification, fantasy, complexity and humor, rather than singleness of meaning.....

((I wonder if it might be possible to set up parallel work: we divide participants in 2 groups and work simultaneously, crossing over at lunch time. Then include joint sessions at the end of each week. This needs 2 working spaces not too far from each other. (It is what I am trying to set up in London). This should be worth it if we get more than 20 inscriptions (and depends on studios, hiring prices, etc.) EP.))

At the end of each week -- Fusion and Confusion (both groups together)

((Could we propose at the end of the workshop some "open sessions" where some audience can attend... (attend a working session, and definitely not any form of presentation). EP))

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((We should be priting a Newsletter in January that would include this. I will also include it in our Webpage. I write to XXX about all this (they could help with Spring publicity - especially if we include an archetypal bent...).EP))

KL's 2nd proposal December 9, 1997

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