



ARS REGO

A TECHNIQUE FOR PHYSICAL MAGIC AND CONTROL

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- A NEW TECHNIQUE DEVELOPED TO EMULATE MAGIC FOR THE BLACK BOX LARP SPELLBOUND (2018)
- WE BELIEVE IT HAS POTENTIAL FOR MUCH WIDER USE
- HERE WE PRESENT:
 - THE BACKGROUND
 - THE TECHNIQUE
 - THE POTENTIAL

- A GAME ABOUT NORDIC
FOLKLORE
- HUMANS BEING TAKEN BY
THE UNDERGROUND
CREATURES
- A GAME ABOUT SEDUCING
AND BEING SEDUCED,
TAKING AND BEING TAKEN
- WE WANTED TO GIVE THE
PARTICIPANTS THE
EXPERIENCE OF BEING MORE
THAN HUMAN AND OF
LOSING CONTROL

SPELLBOUND

WE LOOKED TO BALLET

WE WANTED STRONG PHYSICAL EXPRESSION AND
IMMERSION SET TO MUSIC

A scene from a movie featuring a troll character in a fur coat and a man in a suit being held by soldiers. The troll is in the foreground, looking towards the right. In the background, a man in a suit is being held by two soldiers in blue uniforms. Another soldier is visible on the far left, holding a rifle. The scene is set in a dark, industrial-looking environment with stone pillars.

ESPECIALLY VIDERIK THE TROLL

– HE HAS SERIOUS MAGIC SKILLS

A man in a dark suit and top hat is looking out a window at night. The window has a decorative leaded glass pattern. The scene is dimly lit, with the man's face partially illuminated by light from the window. The overall mood is mysterious and gothic.

IT SHOULD FEEL LIKE DRACULA IS
CALLING YOU



WE GOT INSPIRED BY THE
BALLROOM DANCE RUMBA

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- A LEADER AND A FOLLOWER
- EYE CONTACT AND A RAISED HAND INDICATES THAT CONTROL HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED
- THE HAND INDICATES WHETHER THE FOLLOWER SHOULD MOVE CLOSER OR MAINTAIN DISTANCE
- THE FOLLOWER MUST ALWAYS FOLLOW THE HAND AND BE LEAD
- THE LEADER TAKES CARE OF THE FOLLOWERS SAFETY
- CAN BE USED ON MULTIPLE FOLLOWERS

WHAT DID WE EXPERIENCE?

- EASY TO LEARN IN 10 MINUTES
- LEADER AND FOLLOWER BECOME ULTRA SENSITIVE TO EACH OTHER
- THEY TAKE CARE OF EACH OTHER
- THE FOLLOWERS BECOME VERY EASY TO CONTROL
- THE LEADERS QUICKLY EXPERIMENT WITH HOW LITTLE IS NEEDED TO CONTROL
- PEOPLE THAT DON'T DANCE, DANCED
- IT FEELS LIKE MAGIC
- YOU LOOSE CONTROL, BUT IT FEELS SAFE

POTENTIAL

- WE KNOW IT CAN GIVE A PHYSICAL, MYSTIC AND BEAUTIFUL EXPERIENCE OF MAGIC
- WE KNOW THAT IT CAN BE USED TO PLAY UNEQUAL POWER DYNAMICS AND PHYSICAL DOMINANCE IN A SAFE WAY
- EVEN FOR PHYSICALLY SMALL PERSONS ON MUCH LARGER FOLLOWERS
- WE KNOW IT WORKS IN A BLACK BOX SETTING
- NOW WE WANT TO TRY IT IN VAMPIRE AND FANTASY GAMES
- NEXT STOP: ARTICLE ABOUT HOW TO LEARN AND USE IT