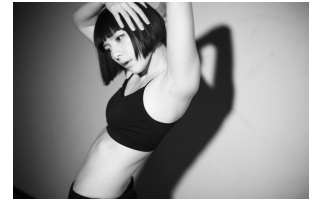


**Saori Hala**  
**Choreographer, dancer, performer**  
**1988- Tokyo, Japan**  
**Based in Berlin**



Saori Hala, born in Tokyo in 1988, is a choreographer and dance artist based in Berlin and Tokyo. She graduated with an MA in visual design at Tokyo University of the Arts and an MA in Solo Dance Performance at Berlin University of the Arts (HZT SODA). The aftermath of the 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake and the nuclear accident at Fukushima inspired her relocation to Germany, and the start of her research into the theme of "passivism" which focuses on the body being moved by the environment. She is currently working as a choreographer and performer for "Brüste und Eier" (directed by Christopher Rüping) at Hamburg Thalia Theater.

**EDUCATION**

2018	MA SODA(solo/dance/authership) at HZT Berlin	Berlin, Germany
2015	MA of Design at Tokyo University of the Arts	Tokyo, Japan
2012	Exchange study of Bauhaus University Weimar	Weimar, Germany
2011	BA of Design at Tokyo University of the Arts	Tokyo, Japan

**PERFORMANCE, CREATION** (Choreography + Performances unless otherwise noted.)

2022	"after aftershock shock" "Brüste und Eier" directed by Christopher Rüping *as a choreographer, performer "Calendula"	Berliner Ringthetaer Thalia Theater Kyoto Arts Center	Berlin, Germany Hamburg, Germany Kyoto, Japan
2021	"Da Dad Dada" International Dance Festival Dance New Air "Odd Apples" "P wave" "Choreography for Tele-beings" Saison Online Residency Program	Sogetsu Hall Tokyo Arts and Space Dance Base Yokohama Online	Tokyo, Japan Tokyo, Japan Yokohama, Japan Online
2020	"STILLLIVE" "Quality of Being in Color" by Niles Weijer *performer "Pieta" von Isaac Chong Wai / International Innsbruck 2020 *performer "A Superb View"	Goethe Institute Tokyo Künstlerhaus Bethanien AT GALERIE A4 Dance Base Yokohama	Tokyo, Japan Berlin, Germany Innsbruck, Australien Yokohama, Japan
2019	"Unbearable Darkness" von Choy Ka Fai / Taipei Art Festival *performer "fluid horizons" von Niels Weijer *performer "Pieta" von Isaac Chong Wai *performer "no room"/ International Dance Festival Dance New Air "A Horse Has No Concern" / International Art Festival NIGHT	Suigen Theater Uferstudios Berlin Zilberman Gallery Noguchi Room	Taipei, Taiwan Berlin, Germany Berlin, Germany Tokyo, Japan Plovdiv, Bulgarien
2018	"THE POETICS OF THE SHAME" by Silvia Gribaudi *Forschungsprojekt "On View" by Sue Healy *Videoprojekt *performer "Da Dad Dada"	Kitasenjyu BUoY	Tokyo, Japan
2017	"Da Dad Dada" "Metamorphose" / Bauhaus Fest 2017	Uferstudios Berlin Bauhaus Archive	Berlin, Germany Dessau, Germany
2016	Duo Performance with Takehito Koganezawa "3min - 20 times" by Bilwa at impro.per.arts Festival *performer "tasks   Ostrava" von Costa / Schaitl *performer "SKETCH-TRIPTYCH" von Felix Otto / Capturing Dance *performer	Ausland Berlin Künstlerhaus Bethanien Plato Garely Galerie Patrick Ebensperger	Berlin, Germany Berlin, Germany Pstrava, CZ Berlin, Germany
2015	"Crumpled" International Contemporary Dance Festival "Mes de Danza" "The Choreography for W1847mmxD10899mmxH2812mm" "Pe and Re" Physis-Berlin 2014	Tokyo University of the Arts Japanisch-Deutsches Zentrum E	Sevilla, Spanien Tokyo, Japan Berlin, Germany

**AWARD**

2022	The Installation Category of the Cinedans Screendance Festival "Odd Apples"	Netherlands
2020	9th Rookie of the Year Award of the Elsur Foundation in the category contemporary dance	Japan
2016	Mobile Video Award of Berlin Music Video Award	Germany
2015	Prize for Choreography (PREMIO COREOGRAFÍA) Internatinonal Dance Festival Mez De Danza	Spain
2015	Design Award, Top Seat, for the thesis at the University of the Arts Tokyo	Japan
2009	Ataka prizes, Top Seat, for the thesis at the University of the Arts Tokyo	Japan

**FUNDING**

2020	Arts Commission Yokohama U39 Artist Fellowship	Japan
2019	EU Japan Fest for activities in European Capital of Culture 2019	Japan
2018	EU Japan Fest for activities in the European Capital of Culture 2019 Terumo Foundation for Life Sciences and Arts	Japan Japan
2017	Pola Arts Foundation for a research project in Germany Yoshino Gypsum Foundation for a research project in Germany	Japan Japan