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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am working as a free-lance artist dancer all over Europe. In 1978 I experienced a crisis in my work, I had to give up dancing because it had become too much of a technique and I felt imprisoned in it. On the search for something new I came across Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and with meeting him my whole life changed.

I became his disciple and participated in meditations and therapy groups. To be in his presence was and is a deep religious experience for me. I found a new approach towards my work. To express it with Bhagwan's words: "Dance is not really a thing to be learned. It is a meditation; to think in terms of art is to miss the whole point. You can learn it technically and you can become a technical dancer, but you miss the reality of it. It will be just the body and the soul will be missing. The soul comes through being meditative. The dance is not the real thing, but a dancing soul! Then the body moves of its own accord." (The 99 Names of Nothingness, pp 327-328.)

I have been working as a dancer since 1980 again and also leading dance improvisation groups in Europe. I am experiencing my work as fulfilling. For me, Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh is the greatest religious teacher of our times and I am grateful to be able to be in his presence.

The United States of America can only profit by his presence and should definitely grant this outstanding being permanent residence status!

Very truly yours,



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