# **ASEM**: Assignment for the Feb 8<sup>TH</sup> class. "Six performances." Each person will present a brief response to the following question: What set of possible \* meta \* conditions are required for a understanding of the events which occur in the "Six performances." By "\* meta \* conditions " I am referring to the *most* basic conditions required for anything to functionally exist in the world around us. One way to thing about a Meta-condition is that one condition may be dependent on other conditions. For example, any art work must have a material basis so a painting requires a surface made of a material like canvas. Or, dance requires a material person, but the person can be a human being, a computationally developed avatar presented on the internet, or, a robot. The human requires flesh and a brain while robot may be made of very different materials and have computer operated by algorithms. However, it does not end there as algorithms are branch of computational mathematics called recursive functions. Again it does not end there as recursive functions are formed from formal symbols. Etc etc. etc. Another important condition concerns how can we understand any work of art. What is each artist trying to convey or present to the audience with the performance. So, if art requires "understanding" of the meaning or goals of the performance then what is understanding? How are "meaning" or "goals" conveyed, and, how can the audience understand something. But, what happens if the artist convey no meaning and wants nothing understood? What I am after here *are not all the* required conditions but the **final, basic conditions.** Okay, what I suggest is follow a sequence of steps.

- a. View each of the videos
- Do a little research about each artist. b.
- Again, review each of the videos but take notes. But keep the notes to a minimum. What I c. suggest is that the notes should be listed in point form.

List of "Six performances." and their URL links

1. Interview: Christine and the Queens - from Paris to pop star

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WWp-zjsB-tA

2. **Jodie Lynkee Chow, Performing at Lehmann Maupin** 

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CzNMmHDr vM

### 3. Bas jan Ader's Fall

 $http://www.bing.com/videos/search? \\ q=Bas+Jan+Ader\&view=detail\&mid=93FC91EF9A7B3D832CE193FC91EF9A7B3D832CE1\&\&FORM=VDRVVRV$ 

### 4. Veronique Doisneau

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OluWY5PInFs

## 5. Santiago Sierra

https://vimeo.com/41418219

### 6. Hsieh: Doing Time / Taiwan Pavilion, Venice Art Biennale 2017

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b7p3w-v9nlk