



THE WORLD OF VODOO



Discover four voodoo ceremonies through the lens of virtual reality

Format : VR experience in four chapters

Original version: 23 minutes, 4 x 5 to 6 min

Extended version : 35 minutes, 4 x 8 to 10 min

A DIVE INTO THE INVISIBLE

The "World of Voodoo" invites the spectator to experience the reality of the Voodoo religion as practiced in Western Africa.

It includes an immersion into ritual ceremonies filmed as 360-degree videos in Benin.





The art of divination is the key to voodoo. It is practiced by the Bokonos, the priests of the religion, and permits them to communicate with the Voodoo deities.

This chapter includes a look at a session of traditional divination.

FA DIVINATION



KOKOU CEREMONY

The Kokou Voodoo is a powerful, feared warrior deity. This ceremony can sometimes become violent.

In this chapter, the followers of Kokou dance along with drums, drag blades along their bodies, and enter trances.



ZANGBETO

The ritual of the Zangbeto Masks is done in honor of the guardians of the night. The masks occupy many different functions, serving as a secret police, tracking criminals, and chasing thieves and evil spirits.

The spectator in this ceremony finds themselves face to face with the spinning, vibrating masks.

MAMI WATA

Mami Wata is a powerful water deity. She brings abundance and lavishes fortune on her followers in exchange for their devoted worship.

During this ceremony, the disciples, all women, sing and dance to show their adoration of Mami Wata.





ORIGINAL VERSION

The experience is distributed in the form of 360 videos on virtual reality headsets (Oculus Go, Pico G2 4K...).

It has been proposed since the end of 2019 as a complementary exhibit to visitors at the Museum of Voodoo in Strasbourg.

Duration of one chapter : 5 to 6 min

Total duration : 23 min

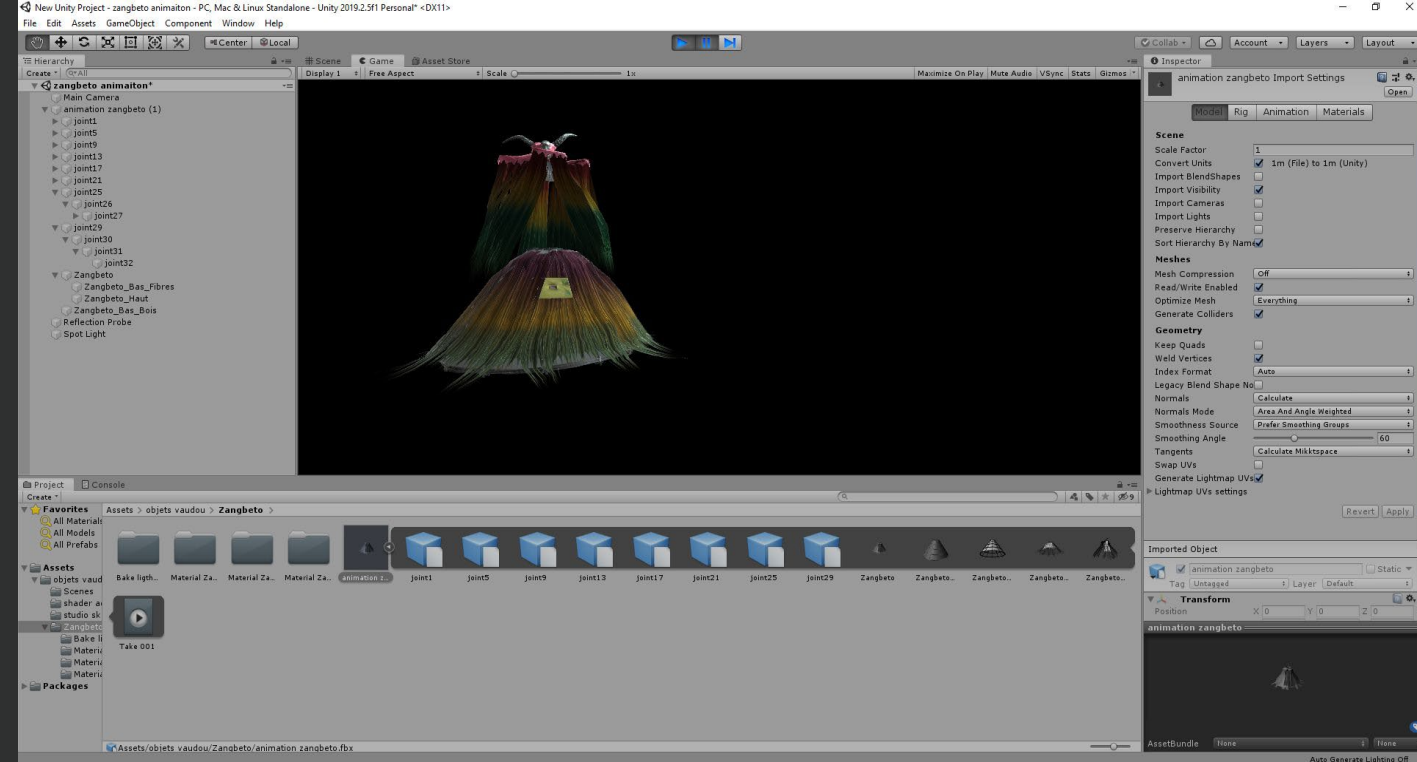
EXTENDED VERSION

In the extended experience, 360-degree videos are complemented by a sequence of animated interactive experiences using objects scanned into 3D.

The experience, developed for Meta Quest 2 and Pico 4 headsets, will be available beginning 2023.

Duration of one chapter : from 8 to 10 min

Total duration : about 35 min



Previsualisation dans Unity



Les materials



Sequence de l'animation



PARTNERS AND SUPPORT

The World of Voodoo is a virtual reality experience produced by Virtual Journey in co-production with Seppia and the Château Vodou Museum.

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