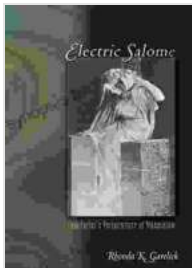


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## The Life and Career of Loie Fuller

Loie Fuller was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1862. She began her career as a dancer in the 1880s, and she quickly became known for her innovative

style. In 1892, she moved to Paris, where she found great success as a performer and choreographer.

Fuller was a prolific inventor, and she patented a number of devices that helped to revolutionize the art of dance. In 1893, she invented the "serpentine dance," a new form of dance that used long, flowing scarves to create a variety of shapes and patterns. In 1897, she invented the "electric girdle," a device that allowed her to change the color and intensity of the light that illuminated her costumes.

Fuller's work was highly influential in the development of modern dance. Her unique style of dance, which combined elements of ballet, serpentine dance, and acrobatics, was a major departure from the traditional ballet forms of the time. Fuller's work also helped to break down the barriers between dance and other art forms, such as painting and sculpture.

## **Electric Salome**

"Electric Salome" was Fuller's most famous work. The performance was first presented in 1896, and it was a huge success. The performance featured Fuller dancing in a long, flowing gown that was illuminated by colored lights. The effect was mesmerizing, and it helped to create a new aesthetic for performance art.

"Electric Salome" was a highly controversial performance. Some critics praised Fuller's artistry, while others condemned her for her risqué costumes and suggestive movements. However, the performance was a huge success, and it helped to establish Fuller as one of the most important artists of her time.

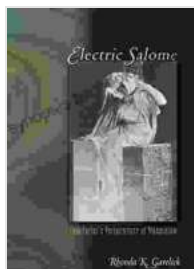
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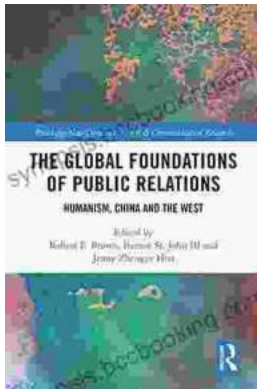
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