

The Rite of Spring (Synopsis)

First Act : Adoration of the Earth

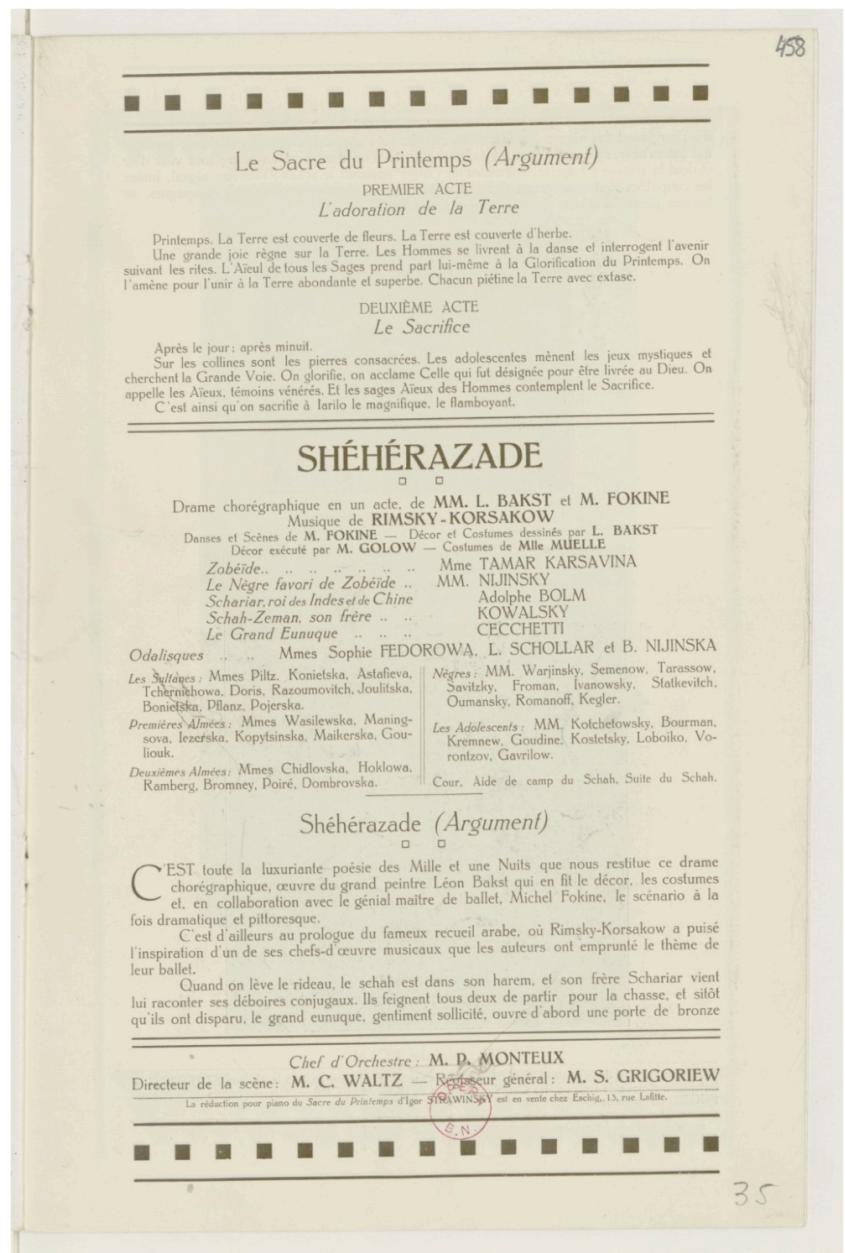
Spring. The Earth is covered with flowers. The Earth is covered with grass.

A great joy reigns on the Earth. Mankind delivers itself up to the dance and seeks to know the future by following the rites. The eldest of all the Sages himself takes part in the Glorification of Spring. He is led forward to unite himself with the abundant and superb Earth. Everyone stamps the Earth ecstatically.

Second Act : The Sacrifice

After the day: after midnight.

On the hills are the consecrated stones. The young girls play the mystic games and seek the Great Way. They glorify, they acclaim Her who has been designated to be delivered to the God. The Ancestors are invoked, venerated witnesses. And the Wise Ancestors of Mankind contemplate the sacrifice. This is the way to sacrifice to larilo the magnificent, the flamboyant (flaming).



Source gallica.bnf.fr / Bibliothèque nationale de France