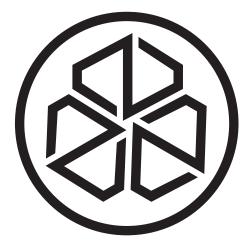
# ACUOD by CHANU

2018 S/S COLLECTION



## " ZIP OUT TO THE WORLD."

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For the 2018 S/S collection, we were inspired by the Japanese Sengoku (Warring States) period and especially Nobunaga Oda, one of the famous Daimyō (feudal lord) of this certain age. This is because we found the domination from junior to senior during Sengoku similar to what is happening in the present fashion industry. We were also amazed at how Nobunaga "zipped" throughout the age with revolutionary deeds, breaking stereotypes with innovative ideas concluding himself as the most "hip hop" commander amongst Sengoku Daimyōs.

ACUOD by CHANU will keep challenging aggressively to the fashion industry, filled with scent of conservation: to people who decide only with his/her imagination,

without examining the objective,

who runs away from taking risks,

the movement to get rid of someone who sticks out,

the mind to avoid experimentation, to cling on being the same...

Though a brand less than a year since establishment, that doesn't mean we will zip our mouth shut. "WE WILL ZIP OUT"

We will pursue what we believe, our foremost aesthetics, and zip out to the world as a bullet to the world, by the name of ACUOD by CHANU.

#### About the runway show

At the beginning of the show, Keika Wakayagi dances "Atsumori", a Kowakamai dance piece Nobunaga is said to have danced before wars. Ms.Wakayagi's actual name is "Chikako Kowaka", and is the direct descendant of the Kowakamai founder. Kowakamai is said to be the oldest Japanese dance, origin of Kabuki and Noh. This was the very chance that a Kōwaka dancer showed her ancient "Mai" at Tokyo collection, where the latest fashion meets the world.

The second hip hop dance performance is by KTR, a Japanese Krump dance champion. He wore a replica of Nobunaga armor (Nanban-do) and danced as "Modern Nobunaga".

Krump was originally a street dance popularized at South Central, Los Angeles. Here, for the youths who grew up in high crime rate environment, dance is a way for them to escape gang life and to release anger, aggression and frustration positively, in a non-violent way. Although basically a freestyle dance rarely choreographed, we could find movements that expresses somewhat fighting actions. This is why we requested KTR to dance for us.

For the performance, KTR took Kowakamai lessons at Wakayagi's studio to learn dance forms, and blended these ideas into krumping. Here we see a collaboration beyond country and time, of Japanese ancient dance and U.S. street dance that started around the millenium.

**DESIGNER : CHANU** PRODUCE : TAKUYA SHIMOO DIRECTION : TAKUYA SHIMOO / MASAHIRO OKUDA STYLING : HIDEYUKI SANBONGI HAIR : FUMI (KIKI INC.) MAKE-UP : ATSUSHI KOKAWA MODELS : KAMUI JUNNOSUKE TAGUCHI SOCHE κο Νακανο JUNYA NAKASHIMA **KENTA SHIMAHARA** ALAN **KYOHEI MITSUNE** HIKARU OTA KAZUKI SHUN KAWACHI TAKUMA IWASAKI SONG SEUNG-HYUK RYU ALISA URAHAMA BAMBI NAKA **KEI OTOZUKI** YACO SAI AOI SHIN YUKI YUNA ISIZAWA TAKAKO ODA MUSIC : JOSH BESS SOUND RECORDING : YANAGIMAN FLUTE : KIYOHIKO FUKUHARA HAND DRUM : HIDEYUKI MOTIZUKI CONDUCTOR : FUKUTARO UMEYA KOUWAKAMAI : KEIKA WAKAYAGI DANCE : KTR PROP STYLIST : AI OZAKI PRESS : PROSPERE CO., LTD. SPECIAL THANKS : CHIGA MURAYAMA SUGURU TAJIMA DAISUKE OGUCHI **KYOHEI HIRUTA** YUTA SATO NATSUKI NISHIYAMA JOO YOUNG KIM KOUKI MOTOMURA HARUKI HASHIMURA BACKSTAGE SPECIAL SHOOTING / "SUPER"SHOOTING : LESLIE KEE SPONSORSHIP :



### EXHIBITION

2017.10.23(MON)-10.26(THU) 10:00-22:00 [OZ SPACE] 渋谷区桜丘町9-17 TOC第3ビル 502号

2017.10.30(mon)-11.5(sun) 10:00-22:00 [HALL] 渋谷区桜丘町23-21

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