Meiningen in European Theater	Moein-Ol-Boka in Iranian Shabih'khani
Chose and casted actors based on their	Searched for and recruited artists and
abilities and compatibility with the	musicicans based on competence and physical
characters.	resemblance to the characters i.e. body,
	fascial features and voice.
Roles were in harmony with historical period	Created harmony between Shabih'khans and the
portrayed.	spiritual and mournful atmosphere of the
	characters.
Placed characters on a designed scene (instead	Placed characters in different places of stage
of previous conventional gathering in the	and allowed freedom movement to actors.
center of stage)	
Used stairs and ramps to provide actors with	Used the whole space of a Tekyeh (stage or
possibility of movement	platform, spaces around the stage or platform,
	auditorium, even balconies) to extend the
	performing space.
Transformed text-centered performance to	Transformed a static mourning ritual into a
theatrical and spectacular performances	dynamic and epic performance. He altered

resulting in audiences following not only the	familiar narratives for dramatic effects and
narrative but the spectacle.	added spectacle for audience engagement.
Attire and scene were historically compatible	Selected appropriate costumes for each
with the performing space.	character and provided suitable props.
Long rehearsal periods for a performance and	Long rehearsal periods (several weeks
the use of realistic props and costumes during	throughout the year and 3 months before the
rehearsals.	performance) and educated Shabih'khans
	(teaching music, tune, gesture, physical mood
	in different positions, swordsmanship,
	theatrical conflict, equestrianism) and used
	real objects during training
Use of realistic elements	Avoided realism and focused on theatricality;
	converting a historical performance to a
	symbolic and theatrical one

Table 2: Task Completed by Georg II and Moein-Ol-Boka in Theater and Shabih'khani