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UNWIELDY, INTELLIGENT, UNCOMFORTABLE, ENTERTAINING

These were the precise words used to describe the VideoFest '92, the festival later to be known as transmediale. The sentence comes from a preface written by the then two festival directors Hartmut Horst and Micky Kwella. Their description marked the first anniversary of the festival. This year, the transmediale turns 25. It is an exciting challenge and a great honour to take part in the future shape of transmediale as its new Artistic Director, following the visionary leadership of its founder Micky Kwella (who directed the festival until 2000, assisted by Horst until 1994) and the creative reshaping undertaken by Andreas Broeckmann (transmediale 2001–2007, assisted by Susanne Jaschko from 2001 until 2004), and Stephen Kovats (transmediale 2008–2011). In respect to this legacy, and its 25-year anniversary, I can guarantee you that in 2012 the festival has NOT come of age. As an event in-between art, research and media culture the transmediale remains devoted to transdisciplinary cultural production: to its unwieldy scope, to its intelligent explorers and to its uncomfortable as well as its entertaining visions.

The 2012 festival, in/compatible, is acknowledging that in times of crisis, there is equally the need for creative hacks and modifications as there is a need for a refusal of the quick re-integration into business as usual. This is also reflected in some of the structural changes. Instead of an award competition, a thematic approach was adopted early on, aiming at curatorial coherence across the programme. In addition our new project platform, reSource for transmedial culture, aims at facilitating events throughout the year. Another example is that the Vilém Flusser Theory Award has been transformed into a residency programme for artistic research jointly

organised with the Vilém_Flusser_Archiv at the Berlin University of the Arts.

Since the 2005 edition, transmediale has received funding from the German Federal Cultural Foundation, a key factor in the festival's development. Today, it is recognised worldwide as one of the leading festivals within art and digital culture. The continued support of the foundation will allow for a sustainable position and to maintain high quality programming. Apart from this base funding, the festival would also not be possible without its many other funders, partners, sponsors and supporters of all kinds. Special gratitude goes out to all the staff at our main venue Haus der Kulturen der Welt. We also thank the Federal Agency for Civic Education for providing vital support to this year's conference programme. The marketing and Berlin presence has been strengthened by the increased support of the Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg. For the considerable technical challenges of the festival, serve-u is a long-standing supporter that is thankfully aboard once again. Special mention also goes to Kulturprojekte Berlin GmbH for providing the essential institutional home of the festival.

As the new Artistic Director I also personally want to extend my gratitude to all the old and new team members who have courageously embarked with me on this great adventure. The level of engagement and professionalism of the transmediale team is simply incredible. Finally, I want to honour the transmediale advisory board who have entrusted me with the task of steering the festival through the many uncertainties and opportunities that the future has in store.

Vorwort

SPERRIG, INTELLIGENT, UNBEQUEM, UNTERHALTSAM

Mit genau diesen Worten wurde einst das VideoFest '92 beschrieben, das seit 1998 den Namen transmediale trägt. Die Aufzählung stammt aus einem Vorwort der beiden damaligen Festivalleiter Micky Kwella und Hartmut Horst, die damit seinerzeit das erste Jubiläum, das fünfjährige Bestehen des Festivals, hervorhoben. In diesem Jahr wird die transmediale 25. Es ist eine tolle Herausforderung und eine große Ehre, die zukünftige Entwicklung der transmediale als ihr neuer künstlerischer Leiter mitgestalten zu dürfen. Von 1987 bis 2000 leitete der visionäre Gründer Micky Kwella das Festival, bis 1994 mit der Unterstützung von Hartmut Horst. Unter den ihm nachfolgenden künstlerischen Leitern Andreas Broeckmann (transmediale 2001–2007; mit Assistenz von Susanne Jaschko bis 2004) sowie Stephen Kovats (transmediale 2008–2011) erlebte die transmediale kontinuierlich eine kreative Neugestaltung. Mit Respekt auf dieses Vermächtnis und das 25. Jubiläum kann ich versichern: Das Festival wird mit dem Jahr 2012 NICHT erwachsen! Als ein Ereignis zwischen Kunst, Forschung und Medienkultur, bleibt die transmediale der transdisziplinären Kulturproduktion verschrieben: ihrer sperrigen Bandbreite, ihren intelligenten Explorern sowie ihren unbequemen und unterhaltsamen Visionen.

Mit seinem Thema in/compatible erkennt das Festival von 2012 an, dass in Krisenzeiten gleichwohl ein Bedarf an kreativen Hacks und Veränderungen besteht, als auch an der Weigerung, schnell zur Tagesordnung zurückzukehren. Anstatt wieder einen Preis zu verleihen, haben wir gleich mit Planungsbeginn einen thematischen Ansatz verfolgt, um über die verschiedenen Programmbereiche hinweg eine kuratorische Kohärenz herzustellen. So soll unsere neue Projekt-Plattform reSource for transmedial culture ganzjährig Veranstaltungen organisieren und wir haben beispielsweise in Partnerschaft mit dem Vilém Flusser_Archiv der Berliner Universität der

Künste den Vilém Flusser Theory Award in ein Residency Programm für künstlerische Forschung umgewandelt.

Seit seiner 2005er Ausgabe wird die transmediale maßgeblich von der Kulturstiftung des Bundes gefördert. Heute ist die transmediale eines der weltweit als führend anerkannten Festivals im Bereich von Kunst und digitaler Kultur. Die anhaltende Unterstützung durch die Kulturstiftung ermöglicht eine nachhaltige Position und ein weiterhin hohes Programmniveau. Selbstverständlich verdankt das Festival seine Stärke neben der Grundfinanzierung durch die Kulturstiftung auch den vielen anderen Geldgebern, Partnern, Sponsoren und Unterstützern aller Art. Unser Dank gilt zudem auch all denen, die in unserem Hauptveranstaltungsort, dem Haus der Kulturen der Welt, tätig sind. Wir bedanken uns ebenso bei der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung für deren großzügige Unterstützung bei der diesjährigen Konferenz. Das Marketing und die visuelle Präsenz in Berlin wurden durch die erhöhte Förderung seitens des Medienboards Berlin-Brandenburg zusätzlich gestärkt. Aufgrund der beachtlichen, technischen Herausforderungen des Festivals freuen wir uns, die Firma serve-u auch dieses Mal wieder als langjährigen Partner an Bord zu haben. Besonders erwähnt werden sollen auch die Kulturprojekte Berlin GmbH, die dem Festival seine lebenswichtige institutionelle Basis bieten.

Als neuer künstlerischer Leiter möchte ich mich außerdem persönlich bei den alten und neuen Mitarbeitern des Teams bedanken, die sich mutig mit mir zusammen in dieses große Abenteuer begeben haben: Engagement und Professionalität des transmediale Teams sind einfach von unglaublichem Niveau. Ein persönlicher Dank geht schließlich an den künstlerischen Beirat der transmediale, das mich mit der Aufgabe betraut hat, das Festival durch die vielerlei Unsicherheiten und Chancen zu lenken, die die Zukunft bereit hält.

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TRANSMEDIALE 2012

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CURATORIAL STATEMENT

When everything fails

Incompatibility is the condition that arises when things are not working together. Given the current worldwide proclamations of crisis, be they political, financial, technological or environmental, it may seem as if incompatible elements and situations are everywhere, that everything is failing. Ironically, it is the supposedly ever-more compatible media-scape, where everything connects, that renders such crises instantly visible. This raises the question if the connective media and all-present data collection are even complicit in the production of crisis itself? Where do incompatibilities arise and how are they integrated in a world-order built on the paradox that it is predicated on convergence, but is in fact also constantly leading to divergence?

These are among the difficult questions we aim to tackle at transmediale 2012. With the theme in/compatible, the festival probes the productive and destructive sides of incompatibility as a fundamental condition for cultural production. To be in/compatible means to refuse a quick return to business as usual. It means to instead dare an investment in the unusual: aesthetic, ambiguous and nervous expressions of politics and technology that are contingent with the dark sides of network culture.

The too old and the too new are two sides of the same coin: nothing ever works perfectly.

For years we have been hearing about the coming "promised land" of convergent tech-

nology, culture and economy as proclaimed by new media entrepreneurs, neo-liberal economists and development experts. Instead of a smooth operation, it is increasingly clear that processes of convergence bring about new tensions in everyday life, economy, politics and technology. Tensions and states of crisis are not contradictory to convergence, which is instead a process that should be understood as dependent on the production of the incompatible.

"The media age proceeds in jerks, just like Turing's paper strip"

the late Friedrich Kittler wrote, and could have just as well been talking about technological development in general where the production of incompatibilities is central to having any development at all. The simultaneous monumental failure and global ubiquity of technology seem to move us beyond the polarity of utopia and dystopia. Instead, we are entering the blurred environments of the un-adapted, monstrous and "uncorporated". The increasingly unclear tension-states between open and closed, freedom and control, idealistic and commercial are giving rise to a new kind of "techno-cultural uneasy". The in/compatible in this context is a singular moment of transversal reflection. Artists, hackers and tinkerers engage with the imperfect nature of technology. They give it a cultural shape, developing a modular reflexivity that responds to the ever-changing social and economical terrains of the networked world.

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transmediale 2012 is an in/compatible being, moving not necessarily forward.

More than a failed operation, the incompatible lies at the heart of the governance of the inherent differences in network culture. This means that the incompatible is not the outside of networks but it is an internal and constant state of disruption, which is necessary in order to enable the "open" state of a never completed system. Capitalism evolves according to the principle of "creative destruction", as Joseph Schumpeter once formulated it. Allowing for incompatibility is central to the capitalist logic of always being "open to business", the constant integration of new areas of production. But this does not necessarily mean that incompatibility always leads to co-optation. The in/compatible moment

produces a gap in capitalist production, a temporary moment of stasis which may be used to reflect on where we are going – if anywhere at all – and on what conditions.

As an in/compatible being, transmediale 2012 highlights projects and cultural phenomena that savor this stop in the incessant flow of things and posits it as a moment of tension that allows for a redefinition of our initial terms of engagement. The in/compatible being is one that moves with the particular rhythms of this tension, but not necessarily forward. Contrary to the fear of the incompatible, so prevalent in the age of cloud-computing, the festival raises the question of what happens when incompatibility is brought to the fore rather than hidden away in the dark underbelly of digital culture.

Featured Project

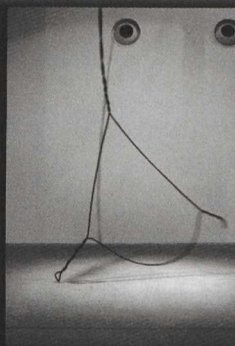
HEALTH & SAFETY VIOLATION #36

Bite you in your ass and kiss your socks goodbye, 2012

Installation

Ben Woodeson

Main Foyer



Main Foyer

Ben Woodeson, Health & Safety Violation #15, 2009/11 (Copyright Ben Woodeson)

Installation

Ben Woodeson's works are deliberately confrontational, aiming at an intense and visceral relationship both with the viewer and the exhibition space. Particularly since 2009, when Woodeson began his overtly provocative Health & Safety

Violation series, his works express threatening ripples of consequence. For in/compatible Woodeson is presenting a new work from this series. A seemingly innocent sculptural curtain bisects the foyer space of Haus der Kulturen der Welt.

Avoiding the work requires a conscious detour while engaging with it requires a willingness to take a risk – in effect an "interactive" piece that does not pretend to be harmless.

iImportant Note!

Engage with this work at your own risk. Liability contracts are provided at the installation.

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CURATORIAL STATEMENT

Wenn alles scheitert

Inkompatibilität bezeichnet den Zustand, wenn Dinge nicht reibungslos miteinander funktionieren. Derzeit werden allseits Krisen ausgerufen – in der Politik, der Wirtschaft, der Technologie und der Ökologie – und dadurch hat man schnell den Eindruck, dass wir es im Moment überall mit inkompatiblen Elementen und Situationen zu tun hätten und als ob gerade alles im Begriff wäre zu scheitern. Das Ironische dabei ist, dass besonders die angeblich immer kompatibler werdende Mediensphäre, wo sich alles miteinander verbindet, diese Krisen im Handumdrehen sichtbar macht. Man fragt sich, ob konnektive Medien und omniprésente Datensammlungen nicht gar eine aktive Rolle bei der Produktion der Krisen spielen. Wo genau treten Inkompatibilitäten auf und wie passen sie zu einer Weltordnung, die förmlich auf dem Paradox beruht, auf Konvergenz ausgerichtet zu sein und dabei doch gleichzeitig andauernd Divergenz hervorzubringen?

Derart schwierige Fragen wollen wir auf der transmediale 2012 erörtern. Mit dem Thema *in/compatible* untersucht das Festival die produktiven und destruktiven Seiten der Inkompatibilität als fundamentale Voraussetzung kultureller Produktion. In/kompatibel zu sein, heißt, eine schnelle Rückkehr zur Tagesordnung abzulehnen und stattdessen das Wagnis des Ungewöhnlichen einzugehen: Wir interessieren uns für ästhetische, diffuse und nervöse Artikulationen von Politik und Technologie, die sensibel sind für die dunklen und zufälligen Seiten der Netzwerkkultur.

Das Zu-Alte und das Zu-Neue als zwei Seiten ein und derselben Medaille: Nichts funktioniert jemals perfekt.

Jahrelang schon verheißen uns Unternehmer aus dem New Media Bereich, neoliberale Wirtschaftsleute und Entwicklungsexperten das „gelobte Land“ konvergenter Technologie, Kultur und Wirtschaft. Dabei zeigt sich immer mehr, dass Konvergenzprozesse – anstatt nämlich einfach glatt abzulaufen – in Wirklichkeit neue Spannungen in den Alltag, die Wirtschaft, die Politik und die Technologie bringen. Daher bilden Spannungen und Krisenzustände auch keinen Widerspruch zur Konvergenz. Eher handelt es sich bei ihr selbst um einen Prozess, der von der Produktion des Inkompatiblen abhängt.

„Das Medienzeitalter ... läuft ruckhaft wie Turings Papierband,“

schrrieb der kürzlich verstorbene Friedrich Kittler und hätte sich damit genauso gut allgemein auf die technologische Entwicklung beziehen können, wo die Produktion von Inkompatibilitäten die Voraussetzung überhaupt darstellt.

Dass die Technologie gleichzeitig so fürchterlich versagt hat und trotzdem weltweit operiert, scheint uns über die Polarität von Utopie und Dystopie hinaus zu befördern. Stattdessen befinden wir uns in einer verschwommenen Welt des Unangepassten, Monströsen und „Un-Unternehmerischen“. Die vermehrt unklaren Spannungszustände zwischen dem Offenen und dem Geschlossenen, zwischen Freiheit und Kontrolle, dem Idealistischen und dem Kommerziellen, führen zu einer neuen Art „technokultureller Unruhe“. In diesem Kontext stellt das Inkompatible einen einzigartigen Moment transversaler Reflexion dar. Künstler, Hacker und Bastler setzen sich mit dem imperfekten Wesen der Technologie auseinander. Sie geben ihr eine kulturelle Form und entwickeln in Reaktion auf die sich immerfort verändernden, gesellschaftlichen

und ökonomischen Bereiche der vernetzen Welt eine modulare Reflexivität.

transmediale 2012 ist ein in/kompatibles Wesen, das sich bewegt – wenngleich nicht unbedingt vorwärts.

Anders als bei einem gescheiterten Unterfangen, sind Inkompatibilitäten beim Umgang mit den für die Netzwerkkultur so typischen Unterschieden von zentraler Bedeutung. Somit liegt das Inkompatible dem Netzwerk auch nicht Außen vor, sondern es bedingt einen internen, immerwährenden Zustand der Unterbrechung, der selbst erst das „offene“ Moment eines in seiner Entwicklung niemals fertigen Systems ermöglicht. Der Kapitalismus folgt dem Prinzip der „kreativen Destruktion“, wie Joseph Schumpeter formuliert hat. Inkompatibilitäten zuzulassen, ist für die kapitalistische Logik, sich gegenüber Geschäften „immer offen“ zu halten – also andauernd neue Produktionsfelder zu erschließen – extrem wichtig. Dies bedeutet allerdings nicht, dass Inkompatibilität immer zu Kooptation führen muss. Das in/kompatible Moment produ-

ziert eine Lücke in der kapitalistischen Produktion, einen temporären Stillstand, der sich für Reflexionen darüber eignet, wohin wir uns bewegen – wenn das überhaupt so der Fall ist – und zu welchen Bedingungen.

Als ein in/kompatibles Wesen stellt die transmediale 2012 Projekte und kulturelle Phänomene vor, die dieses Stehenbleiben im ununterbrochenen Fluss der Dinge auskosten und als einen Moment echter Spannung verstehen, in dem die grundsätzlichen Konditionen unserer Beteiligung neu verhandelt werden können. Das in/kompatible Wesen folgt in seinen Bewegungen der besonderen Rhythmik von Spannungsverhältnissen – was nicht unbedingt heißen muss, dass es dabei vorwärts geht. Im Gegensatz zu der Angst vor dem Inkompatiblen – so normal im Zeitalter des Cloud-Computing – fragt das Festival, was passiert, wenn man die Inkompatibilität in den Vordergrund holt, anstatt sie in der dunklen Ecke der digitalen Kultur zu vergraben.

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Featured Project

Ben Woodeson

HEALTH & SAFETY VIOLATION #36

Bite you in your ass and kiss your socks goodbye, 2012

Ben Woodesons Kunstwerke gehen absichtlich auf Konfrontationskurs und streben nach einer intensiven, körperlich erfahrbaren Beziehung mit dem Betrachter und der ausstellenden Architektur. Besonders seitdem Woodeson seit 2009 an der Serie Health & Safety Violation arbeitet, vibrieren seine Werke förmlich vor Bedrohlichkeit. Im Rahmen von in/compatible präsentiert Woodeson ein neues Werk dieser Serie: Ein scheinbar unschuldiger skulpturaler Vorhang teilt das Foyer des Haus der Kulturen der Welt. Um darum herum zu kommen, muss man sich für einen Umweg entscheiden. Dem Werk wirklich zu begegnen, erfordert hingegen wahren Mut zum Risiko – ein „interaktives“ Werk, das nicht den Anschein der Harmlosigkeit machen möchte.

**WICHTIGER
HINWEIS**

Die Interaktion mit dem Kunstwerk erfolgt auf eigenes Risiko. Eigenhaftungsverträge werden an der Installation ausgegeben.



Symposium



in/compatible systems | publics | aesthetics

Over the past few years the spread of networks has been almost epidemic. Political, economic, civil and military authorities are all now bound up with each other. The notion of regulation and control of such expansive systems through routine procedures of convergence, standardisation and compatibility is proving to be increasingly problematic.

In contrast to this, the in/compatible is a moment that cannot be accommodated within given structures, hierarchies and relationships, because it is by its nature ambiguous. How can this oscillation between functionality and disruption be used as a productive strategy? How can alternative forms of knowledge-production relying on malfunction be envisaged? And how can hacking and non-authorised interventions help to enhance our understanding of systems whose distinguishing features are produced as a result of binding and standardised models of world, subject and thing?

in/compatible systems

This section will deal with the zones in which so-called "divergent culture" is materialised, where unresolved tensions and conflicting policies come to light. What happens if systems become too large to break down? And what kinds of strange and ambiguous forms of reality arise if systems are too compatible?

in/compatible publics

This part of the symposium will discuss forms of activism, social resistance and other multi-layered and ambiguous social activities emerging from a context of in/compatible systems. Public and non-public players in this regard use diverse strategies such as anonymity, deception, spamming, disruption, leakage and occupation.

in/compatible aesthetics

What constitutes an in/compatible aesthetic? The third strand of the symposium examines how artists – as well as users and consumers – exploit forgotten channels, fissures and functions in the excess of networked communication.

The symposium is realised in cooperation with the Federal Agency for Civic Education (BpB). Lectures in the Auditorium will be translated simultaneously between English/German and partly also between Japanese/English.

Featured Project

COLLABORATIVE DOCUMENTING / ARCHIVING.NETART ACTIVITIES

<documenting.netart>
a collaborative archiving project
initiated by constantdullaart.com and curatingyoutube.net
at <http://net.artdatabase.org>



Initiated by constantdullaart.com
+ curatingyoutube.net – Robert
Sakrowski (de) and Constant
Dullaart (nl)

The video installation archiving.netart consists of documentation of ephemeral net art pieces that have been shown at past transmediale festivals, and thus ties in closely with the panel discussion web.video – the new net.art? in the Theatersaal on 1 February at 15:00. In the archiving.netart project YouTube is used as a kind of digital repository – a collaborative means of safeguarding works of net art. By re-appropriating the existing structure of the video portal, a databank of net art is established, which goes beyond YouTube's own explicitly intended use.

The installation at transmediale is partly realised with the support of Google.

Die Videoinstallation archiving.netart besteht aus Dokumentationsmaterial ephemerer Netzkunstwerke, die auf früheren transmediale Festivals gezeigt wurden und steht dadurch in enger Verbindung mit der Podiumsdiskussion web.video – the new net.art? (Theatersaal, 1. Februar, 15:00). Im Projekt archiving.netart wird YouTube im Sinne eines digital repository kollaborativ genutzt, um Netzkunstwerke zu sichern. Durch das Um-Nutzen der gegebenen Strukturen des Video-Portals, lässt sich eine Datenbank zur Netzkunst einfach einrichten, auch wenn diese von YouTube nicht explizit intendiert wird.

Die Installation auf der transmediale wurde mit einer Teilförderung von Google ermöglicht.

* Videospiegel Re-enactment, DP, p. 4 (31 Jan)
* 25 Years: web.video panel, DP, p. 15 (1 Feb)

SYMPOSIUM



IN/COMPATIBLE SYSTEMS | PUBLICS | AESTHETICS

In den vergangenen Jahren haben sich Netzwerke in beinahe epidemischer Weise verbreitet. Heutzutage sind politische, ökonomische, zivile und militärische Instanzen gleichermaßen miteinander verknüpft. Die Vorstellung der Steuerung und Kontrolle so großer Systeme durch Routinen der Konvergenz, Standardisierung und Kompatibilität erweisen sich dabei mehr und mehr als problematisch.

Das In/kompatible ist dagegen ein Moment, der sich nicht in gegebene Strukturen, Hierarchien und Zusammenhänge einfügt, weil es von Natur her uneindeutig ist. Wie lässt sich dieses Oszillieren zwischen Funktion und Störung als produktive Strategie nutzen? Wie können alternative Formen der Wissensproduktionen aussehen, die auf Störung und Ambivalenz beruhen? Und wie können Hacks und nicht autorisierte Interventionen helfen, Systeme weiterzuentwickeln, deren herausragende Eigenschaft darin besteht, verbindliche, standardisierte Muster von Welt, Subjekt und Ding herzustellen?

in/kompatible Systeme

Dieser Bereich beschäftigt sich mit den Zonen, in denen sich die sog. „Divergenzkultur“ materialisiert, wo ungelöste Spannungen und widerstrebende Politiken zum Vorschein kommen. Was passiert, wenn Systeme zu groß werden, um zu scheitern? Und was für sonderbare und unscharfe Formen von Realitäten entstehen, wenn Systeme zu kompatibel sind?

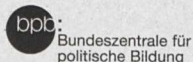
in/kompatible Öffentlichkeiten

Hier werden neue Formen des Aktivismus, des gesellschaftlichen Widerstands und andere, vielschichtig-unscharfe soziale Aktionen, die sich aus dem Kontext der in/kompatiblen Systeme ergeben, diskutiert. Öffentliche und nicht-öffentliche Akteure nutzen hierbei unterschiedliche Strategien wie etwa Anonymität, Verschleierung, Spamming, Störung, Bruch und Besetzung.

in/kompatible Ästhetiken

Was macht eine in/kompatible Ästhetik aus? Der dritte Bereich des Symposiums untersucht, wie Künstler, aber auch Anwender und Konsumenten vergessene Kanäle, Risse und Funktionen im Exzess der vernetzten Kommunikation ausnutzen.

Das Symposium wurde in Zusammenarbeit mit der Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung (BpB) realisiert. Simultanübersetzung Deutsch/Englisch und teilweise Japanisch/Englisch für die Vorträge im Auditorium.



- * Keynote Graham Harman, DP, p. 29 (2 Feb)
- * War Machines panel, DP, p. 39 (3 Feb)
- * Anonymous Codes panel, DP, p. 40 (3 Feb)
- * Unincorporated Subversion, DP, p. 43 (3 Feb)
- * Keynote Jodi Dean, DP, p. 44 (3 Feb)
- * Business as Unusual panel, DP, p. 52 (4 Feb)
- * Publics in Crisis panel, DP, p. 54 (4 Feb)
- * Unstable + Vernacular panel, DP, p. 57 (4 Feb)
- * Keynote Matthew Fuller, DP, p. 59 (4 Feb)



transmediale Off_site Project

THE JEREMY BAILEY COLLECTION

**Marshall McLuhan
Salon, Embassy of
Canada**

Dates: Open daily from 2 – 5 February 2012
Preview date & time: Web, 1 Feb 2012, 20:00 – 22:00
(following the transmediale Marshall McLuhan Lecture by Andrew Feenberg)
Address: Marshall McLuhan Salon, Embassy of Canada, Ebertstr. 14, 10117 Berlin
Opening hours: Thu – Fri: 10:00 – 18:00, Sat + Sun: 14:00 – 18:00

Jeremy Bailey (Toronto, 1979) is a new media, video and performance artist. This exhibition marks Bailey's first in Berlin and will include recent examples of many of his signature video works and ephemera, including Public Sculpture, VideoPaint, Colours of the Spectrum and Video Terraform Dance Party. In these works Bailey's "famous new media artist" persona demonstrates custom software of his own design. This software typically incorporates gestural interfaces and often augments reality in a way that Bailey satirically proposes makes us "much much more creative". Bailey applies his creative panache to help solve a diverse set of problems, from fascist oppression to city planning.

This exhibition is realised in cooperation with the Marshall McLuhan Salon at the Embassy of Canada which holds one of the most significant collections of audio-visual material by and about the Canadian media theorist Marshall McLuhan, as well as a large number of his publications. Since 2007, exhibitions and events organised in cooperation with the transmediale have been held in the Salon. For transmediale 2012 this will be the exhibition The Jeremy Bailey Collection and the Marshall McLuhan Lecture 2012 with a lecture by Andrew Feenberg entitled Ten Paradoxes of Technology.

Jeremy Bailey (Toronto, 1979) ist ein Medien-, Video- und Performance-Künstler. Mit der Ausstellung stellt Bailey zum ersten Mal in Berlin aus. Mit Public Sculpture, VideoPaint, Colours of the Spectrum und Video Terraform Dance Party werden neue Beispiele der für ihn typischen Videoarbeiten und Ephemera gezeigt. In diesen Arbeiten demonstriert der von Bailey erschaffene „Neue Medien Künstler“ selbstentworfenen Softwareprodukte, die typischerweise über gestische Interfaces funktionieren und die Realität oft dahingehend erweitern, dass wir, wie Bailey selbst auf satirische Weise vorschlägt „viel, viel kreativer“ werden. Bailey setzt seinen kreativen Charme zur Lösung einer Vielzahl von Problemen ein, die von faschistischer Unterdrückung bis zur Stadtplanung reichen.

Die Ausstellung wurde in Kooperation mit dem Marshall McLuhan Salon der Botschaft von Kanada realisiert. Neben Beiträgen zu Kanada präsentiert der Marshall McLuhan Salon eine der bedeutendsten Sammlungen von Film- und Audiomaterial mit und über den kanadischen Medientheoretiker Marshall McLuhan sowie eine umfangreiche Sammlung seiner Publikationen. Seit 2007 finden hier jährlich Ausstellungen und Veranstaltungen in Kooperation mit der transmediale statt. Im Rahmen der transmediale 2012 sind dies die Ausstellung The Jeremy Bailey Collection und die Marshall McLuhan Lecture 2012 mit dem Vortrag Ten Paradoxes of Technology von Andrew Feenberg.

The exhibition The Jeremy Bailey Collection is a collaboration between transmediale and the Embassy of Canada.

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- * The Future of Creativity performance, DP, p. 5 (31 Jan)
- * McLuhan Lecture 2012 Andrew Feenberg, DP, p. 17 (1 Feb)
- * McLuhan Salon, DP, p. 18, (1 Feb)
- * Vertical Distraction screening, DP, p. 45 (3 Feb)





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25 YEARS

OF TRANSMEDIALE

transmediale is 25 years old. But how should such an anniversary be marked? Instead of blowing out the candles on a birthday cake, we have decided to make visible the incompatibilities within the festival. Over the course of its history the festival has strived to promote the perspective of contemporary cultural phenomena – in opposition to mainstream and institutionalised limitations. The diverse programmes making up transmediale 2012 therefore reflect the story of a productive incompatibility that has defined the festival. Indeed when transmediale was established 25 years ago as VideoFilmFest, it was in order to provide a platform for media forms and formats marginalised by the established and standardised culture of film festivals and the cultural production of the time. The programme will feature, amongst other things, a re-presentation of rare

video programmes from the 1980s and '90s, net art installations and media-archaeological performance programmes; areas of conflict between old and new media will thus be exposed, and forms of political (counter-)culture, both of the time and of today, will be discussed.

In addition, and counting amongst its most critical responsibilities and challenges, is the archiving and documentation of artworks, projects and programmes from the past decades of the festival. Together with partners in a European network, we are currently reprocessing our archive digitally, in order to make it more accessible in future years.

We invite you over the next few days to discover the old and the new of transmediale – and to celebrate together with us its productive incompatibility.

Featured Project

From the transmediale Archives

The current rebuilding and comprehensive digitalisation of the festival's archive should ensure its contents are made even more accessible to the public. A selection of works will be researched during this trial phase, aiming to give an insight into the continuous development of works in the archive. This selection thus focuses on works from the 2000s, and is devoted thematically to the compatibilities and incompatibilities at the intersections of media-based networks of relations. The format of the selection not only incorporates comprehensive documentation of artistic works, but also dossiers on presented artists in the form of an editorially assembled thematic online publication. The initial results will be presented at the festival and continually updated on the transmediale website. The festival archive selection is guest curated by Thomas Munz.

25 JAHRE

TRANSMEDIALE

Die transmediale wird 25 Jahre alt. Aber wie geht man mit solch einem Jubiläum um? Wir haben uns dafür entschieden das inkompatible Wesen des Festivals sichtbar zu machen, statt die Kerzen auf der Torte zu zählen. In seiner Geschichte hat das Festival immer wieder die Perspektive zeitgenössischer kultureller Phänomene gegenüber eines Mainstreams und gegenüber institutionalisierter Beschränkungen herausgehoben. Die unterschiedlichen Programme im Rahmen der transmediale 2012 reflektieren daher auch die Geschichte einer produktiven Inkompatibilität, die das Festival auszeichnet. So wurde die transmediale vor 25 Jahren als Video-FilmFest gegründet, für Medienformen und -formate, die keinen Eingang zu den etablierten und standardisierten Formen der Filmfestival-Kultur und der Kulturpro-

duktion der damaligen Zeit fanden.

Wiederaufgeführt werden Videoprogramme aus den 1980er und 90er Jahren, Net Art-Installationen sowie medienarchäologische Performance-Programme. Darüber hinaus gehört die Archivierung und Dokumentation von Kunstwerken, Projekten und Programmen der vergangenen Jahrzehnte zu den wichtigsten Aufgaben und Herausforderungen des Festivals. Gemeinsam mit Partnern in einem europäischen Verbund arbeiten wir derzeit das Archiv digital auf, um es in den kommenden Jahren verfügbar zu machen.

Wir laden Sie ein, in den kommenden Tagen das Alte und das Neue der transmediale zu entdecken, und gemeinsam mit uns die produktive Inkompatibilität zu feiern.

Aus dem transmediale Archiv

Mit dem aktuellen Neuaufbau und der umfassenden Digitalisierung des Festivalarchivs sollen dessen Inhalte stärker öffentlich zugänglich gemacht werden. In dieser Erprobungsphase wird eine Werk- auswahl recherchiert, die zugleich Einblick in die fortlaufende Entwicklung der Arbeiten am Archiv geben möchte. Diese Auswahl konzentriert sich dabei auf Werke aus den 2000er Jahren und widmet sich thematisch den Vereinbarkeiten und Unvereinbarkeiten an den Schnittstellen medial übersetzter Beziehungsgeflechte. Das Format der Auswahl umfasst übergreifende Dokumentationen der künstlerischen Arbeiten und Dossiers zu den vorgestellten Künstlern in Form einer redaktionell zusammengefügten themenbezogenen Online-Publikation. Erste Ergebnisse werden beim Festival vorgestellt und kontinuierlich auf der transmediale Website aktualisiert. Diese Auswahl aus dem Festival-Archiv wurde gast-kuratiert von Thomas Munz.

Featured Project

- * Videospiegel Re-enactment, DP, p. 4 (31 Jan)
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- * VIDEOMAKERS UNITE!, DP, p. 25 (2 Feb)
- * transmediale Unarchived, DP, p. 63 (5 Feb)
- * Search for a Method panels, DP, p. 66 (5 Feb)
- * Historical Online Programme, Reader, p. 14

VIDEO PROGRAMME



Screenings

Satellite Stories

Screenings

Human beings have created for themselves a highly complex and technically dominated environment. Whether in architecture, economics, communication or even fashion – the question arises of whether humans are still capable of designing things that are compatible with themselves, or whether they are more and more being forced to adapt to their own products. Each one of the transmediale video programmes revolves around such in/compatibility. A dominant theme in video art since the late 1980s has been the debate around the extent to which visual media influence us; the focus having shifted only from the all-powerful medium of the past – television – to the all-powerful medium of the future – the Internet. The programme's title, Satellite Stories, points to the question of who actually orbits around whom: is it technology around humans, or humans around technology?

In honour of the 25th anniversary of transmediale, each of the eight video programmes curated by Marcel Schwierin will begin with a historical work from the early years of the festival. This will allow us to reveal thematic continuities and ruptures within the video art of the previous decades. Since the creative meaning of a festival does not only stem from individual works, but also from their programming, for the Opening of transmediale 2012 we will be staging once more the first programme Videospiegel from 1988 as a curatorial re-enactment. The political dimension of video art as a counter-culture to mass media will be dealt with in the panel discussion VIDEOMAKERS UNITE!; while in transmediale Unarchived the revisitation of our archive will be discussed. Finally, we will also present a selection of seminal historical works on our website – bringing together the past of video art with its prospective broadcast medium: the Internet. Furthermore ARTE Creative is broadcasting a selection of this year's transmediale video programme. The guests for this year's Arab Shorts programme are Maha Maamoun and Sarah Rifky from Cairo.

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Videoprogramm

SATELLITE STORIES

Der Mensch schafft sich seine eigene, hochkomplexe und technisch dominierte Umwelt. Ob Architektur, -Ökonomie, Verkehr, ja sogar Kleidung, es stellt sich die Frage ob der Mensch überhaupt noch zu ihm kompatible Dinge entwirft oder ob er nicht mehr und mehr in den Zwang kommt, selbst kompatibel zu den von ihm geschaffenen Produkten zu werden. Jedes Videoprogramm der transmediale kreist um eine solche In/kompatibilität. In der Videokunst dominiert dabei wie schon Ende der 1980er Jahre die Auseinandersetzung mit den Bildmedien und ihrem suggestiven Einfluss auf den Menschen. Dabei verschiebt sich der Fokus von dem allmächtigen Medium der Vergangenheit, dem Fernsehen, zu der Auseinandersetzung mit dem allmächtigen Medium der Zukunft, dem Internet. Der Titel des Programms, Satellite Stories, verweist dabei auf die Frage, wer eigentlich um wen kreist, die Technik um den Menschen oder der Mensch um die Technik.

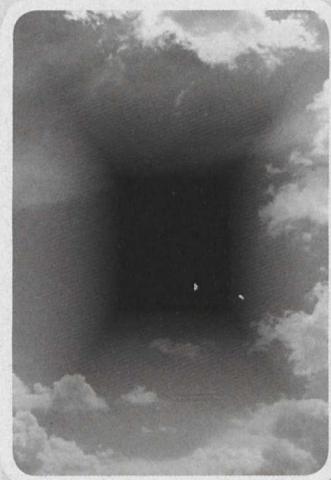
Als Würdigung des 25-jährigen Jubiläums der transmediale hat Marcel Schwierin ein Videoprogramm kuratiert, bei dem jedes der acht Programme von

einem historischen Werk aus den Anfängen der transmediale eröffnet wird. So werden sowohl thematische Kontinuitäten als auch Brüche in der Videokunst der letzten Jahrzehnte offengelegt. Da die kreative Bedeutung eines Festivals nicht nur in den einzelnen Werken besteht, sondern auch in ihrer Programmierung, führen wir zur Eröffnung der transmediale 2012 das erste Programm von 1988 als kuratorisches Re-enactment wieder auf. Die politische Dimension der Videokunst als Gegenöffentlichkeit zu den Massenmedien wird in dem Panel Videomakers Unite! verhandelt. In transmediale Unarchived diskutieren wir die dieses Jahr beginnende Aufarbeitung unseres Archivs. Und schließlich werden wir eine Auswahl zentraler historischer Werke auch auf unserer Webseite präsentieren, um so die Vergangenheit der Videokunst mit ihrem künftigen Verbreitungsmedium, dem Internet, zusammenzubringen. Darüber hinaus strahlt auch ARTE Creative eine Auswahl von Filmen aus dem diesjährigen transmediale Videoprogramm aus. Gastkuratorinnen des Arab Shorts Programms sind Maha Maamoun und Sarah Rifky aus Kairo.

Historical Video Programme on www.transmediale.de

- * The Kiss, Raphael Montañez Ortiz, us 1985, 6 min
- * Flirting TV, Michaela Buescher, de 1987, 8 min
- * Gegen Gefühls Debität, Hanspeter Ammann, br/ch 1987, 16 min
- * Mutter Vater ist tot, Raskin (Rotraut Pape & Andreas Coerper), de 1987, 7 min
- * Born in the GDR, Katrin Willim, gdr 1989, 4 min
- * Off, Franziska Megert, de 1989, 3 min
- * Kniespiel III, Claus Blume, de 1990, 4 min
- * Going Nowhere, George Kuchar, us 1992, 10 min
- * Video-Theorie II, Dellbrügge & de Moll, de 1992, 6 min

- * Videospiegel re-enactment, DP, p. 4 (31 Jan)
- * Guided Economics, DP, p. 19 (1 Feb)
- * VIDEOMAKERS UNITE!, DP, p. 25 (2 Feb)
- * Suspension, DP, p. 27 (2 Feb)
- * I'm the Enemy, DP, p. 30 (2 Feb)
- * Aiming at the Sky, DP, p. 41 (3 Feb)
- * Vertical Distraction, DP, p. 45 (3 Feb)
- * Parallel Worlds, DP, p. 55 (4 Feb)
- * The Sound of the End of Music, DP, p. 60 (4 Feb)
- * Burning Symbols, DP, p. 67 (5 Feb)
- * Arab Shorts – A State of Fluidity, DP, p. 69 (5 Feb)
- * Ghosts off the Shelf, CTM exhibition, Reader, p. 27



Performance Programme

THE GHOSTS IN THE MACHINE

The performance programme, curated by Sandra Naumann, reflects the relationship between old and new media, implicitly bringing together the past and the present of the festival. Employing media-archaeological approaches to the materiality of media, a range of works will be presented which themselves "listen in" on analogue media – the digital instruments in a sense functioning as "listening devices." In a series of analogue/

digital audiovisual performances in the spirit of hauntology, inherent qualities specific to older media will be revealed, luring out the "ghosts in the machine." The issue however is not about a nostalgic belief in a "better past," but rather, as the journalist Olaf Karnik has put it, about "memory and the loss of a future" and about a "neo-contextualisation of the neglected and the suppressed." This questioning of history is not however limited to

pop music, but can also be found in comparable ways in media art. Here too, discarded equipment and recording devices are brought out of storage, further carving out their own essences in combination with digital media, prying open new levels of meaning, and bringing unredeemed promises and forgotten dreams back out into the daylight.

SPECIAL HIGHLIGHT

THE JOSHUA LIGHT SHOW

At the heart of the performance programme is the legendary Joshua Light Show, who in the 1960s appeared at New York's Fillmore East club alongside Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix and The Doors. Originally working with an entire arsenal of film-, overhead-, and slide-projectors, colour wheels and various light-producing and reflecting objects, founder Joshua White is again, after a long break, performing in a setting, which combines analogue with digital projection techniques. As part of transmediale and in collaboration with CTM.12 – Festival for Music and Related Arts, a series of events with musicians will be initiated, bringing together the Joshua Light Show with Krautrock legend and electronic pioneer Manuel Göttsching (Ash Ra Tempel / Ashra), with the critically celebrated creator of hypnagogic soundscapes Oneotrix Point Never and the Norwegian band Supersilent who are known for their virtuoso yet completely improvised performances.

Partner Event

Musikwerke Bildender Künstler: Ryoji Ikeda – db

Nationalgalerie im Hamburger Bahnhof,
Museum für Gegenwart – Berlin

Vernissage: 27 January 2012, 20:00
Exhibition dates: 28 January – 9 April 2012
Opening hours: Tues – Fri 10:00 – 18:00, Sat 11:00 – 20:00, Sun 11:00 – 18:00
Cost: 8 € / 4 €
Address: Invalidenstr. 50–51, 10557 Berlin

Japanese composer and visual artist Ryoji Ikeda has conceived an exhibition for the Hamburger Bahnhof that, for the first time, compositionally unites the two symmetrical halls on the upper level of the museum's east and west wings. The exhibition's title db (abbr. for decibel) refers to this symmetry while simultaneously indicating the complementary relationship between the two exhibition spaces. The project is a composition in which time and space are shaped through the most minimal use of sound, light and visual elements. It is the artist's first solo exhibition in Germany and it is curated by Ingrid Buschmann and Gabriele Knapstein.

Der japanische Komponist und Bildende Künstler Ryoji Ikeda hat für den Hamburger Bahnhof eine Ausstellung konzipiert, die erstmals die beiden symmetrischen Räume im Obergeschoss des Ost- und Westflügels des Museums kompositorisch miteinander verbindet. Der Ausstellungstitel db (Abk. für Dezibel) greift diese Symmetrie auf und verweist gleichzeitig auf die komplementäre Beziehung der beiden Ausstellungsräume zueinander. Das Projekt versteht sich als Komposition, in der Zeit und Raum durch minimalsten Einsatz von Sound, Licht und visueller Elemente geformt werden. Es ist die erste Einzelausstellung des Künstlers in Deutschland und wurde kuratiert von Ingrid Buschmann und Gabriele Knapstein.

www.musikwerke-bildender-kuenstler.de
www.hamburgerbahnhof.de

A project by Freunde Guter Musik Berlin e.V. and Nationalgalerie im Hamburger Bahnhof, Museum für Gegenwart – Berlin. In collaboration with MaerzMusik 2012 | Berliner Festspiele. Made possible by funding from Ernst Schering Foundation and Hauptstadtkulturfonds.

PERFORMANCE-PROGRAMM

THE GHOSTS IN THE MACHINE

Sandra Naumann hat ein Performance-Programm kuratiert, das das Verhältnis zwischen alten und neuen Medien reflektiert und so Geschichte und Gegenwart des Festivals verknüpft. Gezeigt wird eine Reihe von Arbeiten, die mit einem medienarchäologischen Zugang auf die Materialität der Medien selbst „lauschen“ und digitale Instrumente gewissermaßen als „Abhörgeräte“ für die analogen Medien einsetzen. In diesen analog-digitalen audiovisuellen Performances im Geiste der „Hauntology“ werden die den jeweiligen Medien innewohnenden Eigenschaften herausgekitzelt und die „Geister aus der Maschine“ hervorgehoben. Dabei geht es allerdings nicht um ein nostalgisches Hinterhertrauern nach einer „besseren

Vergangenheit“, sondern, wie es der Journalist Olaf Karnik formuliert, um eine Auseinandersetzung mit „Erinnerung und dem Verlust von Zukunft“, um eine „Neu-Kontextualisierung von Vergessenem und Verdrängtem“. Diese Befragung der Historie ist dabei nicht auf Popmusik beschränkt, sondern findet sich in vergleichbarer Weise in der Medienkunst wieder. Auch hier werden ausrangierte Gerätschaften und Datenträger aus den Abstellkammern geholt, im Zusammenschluss mit digitalen Medien deren ureigene Wesenheiten herausgearbeitet, neue Bedeutungsebenen freigelegt oder auch uneingelöste Versprechen und vergessene Träume ans Tageslicht gebracht.



- * Joshua Light Show #1 ft. Supersilent, DP, p. 21 (1 Feb)
- * Joshua Light Show #2 ft. Oneothrix Point Never, DP, p. 47 (3 Feb)
- * Joshua Light Show #3 ft. Manuel Götttsching, DP, p. 62 (4 Feb)
- * Joshua White artist talk, DP, p. 17 (Reader)
- * Flora Könemann performance, DP, p. 20 (1 Feb)
- * Martin Howse & Wolfgang Spahn performance, DP, p. 32 (2 Feb)
- * Performance double bill ft. Rosa Menkman, Billy Roisz, dieb13, Mario de Vega, DP, p. 33 (2 Feb)
- * Mario de Vega, DP, p. 46 (3 Feb)
- * Valerio Tricoli performance, p. 61 (4 Feb)

BESONDERES HIGHLIGHT:

The Joshua Light Show

Die legendäre Joshua Light Show, die in den 1960er Jahren im New Yorker Club Fillmore East gemeinsam mit Janis Joplin, Jimi Hendrix und The Doors auftraten, steht im Zentrum des Performance-Programms. Damals arbeiteten sie mit einem ganzen Arsenal von Film-, Overhead- und Diaprojektoren, Farbrädern und verschiedenen Licht produzierenden und

reflektierenden Objekten. Nach einer längeren Pause tritt der Gründer Joshua White heute in einem Setting auf, das die analogen Projektionstechniken mit digitalen verbindet. Im Rahmen der transmediale 2012 und in Kooperation mit CTM.12 – Festival for Adventurous Music and Related Arts treten zusammen mit den New Yorker Lichtkünstlern auf: Krautrock-Legende

und Elektronik-Pionier Manuel Götttsching (Ash Ra Tempel / Ashra), der von der Kritik gefeierte Geistermusiker und Vater hypnagogischer Klangwelten Oneothrix Point Never sowie die norwegische Gruppe Supersilent, berühmt für ihre virtuose, ausschließlich improvisierte Musik.

www.joshualightshow.com

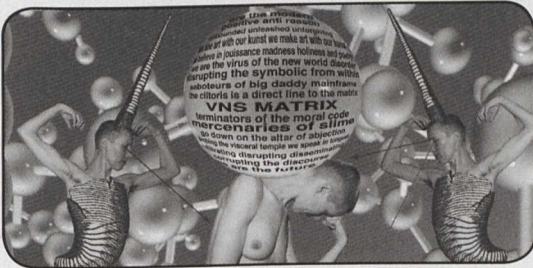
EXHIBITION

Dark Drives.

Uneasy Energies in Technological Times

In response to the in/compatible theme of the festival, the transmediale 2012 exhibition curated by Jacob Lillemose focuses on "uneasy energies in technological times". Through an extensive and diverse group of examples from art and culture, past and present, the exhibition argues that distortions, ambiguities, irritations, ironies, disorder and other such problematic states make up a significant trajectory in our relations with modern technology – a trajectory that challenges consensual and standardised perceptions of technology. The exhibition offers no promise of overcoming the uneasy energies. On the contrary, it understands them as fundamentally insuperable, as integral and constitutive parts of our technological times, and invites visitors to explore the critical and inventive horizons they open up.

* Dark Drives exhibition opening, DP, p. 3 (31 Jan)



A Cyberfeminist Manifesto for the 21st Century, VNS Matrix, Australia, 1991. Courtesy: VNS Matrix.

Featured Cooperation .CHB

IN/COMPATIBLE ARCHAEOLOGY: LIGHT SHOWS EXPANDED

- ✓ Performance Lecture by The Art of the Overhead
- ✓ Artist Talk from Joshua White
- ✓ A/V Live Performance by ZOLA

Time & date: 29 January, 19:00 // Cost: free
Address: .CHB, Dorotheenstraße 12, 10117 Berlin

After a performance lecture by The Art of the Overhead (dk/se) uncovering the multi-layered family tree of that most important light show instrument – the Overhead Projector – JLS-founder Joshua White (us) speaks about his groundbreaking work to curator Sandra Naumann. The evening is concluded with an audiovisual live performance by ZOLA (hu). <http://www.hungaricum.de/>

Im Anschluss an eine Performance Lecture von The Art of the Overhead (dk/se) über den vielschichtigen Stammbaum des wichtigsten Light-Show-Instruments, dem Overhead-Projektor, spricht JLS-Gründer Joshua White (us) mit der Kuratorin Sandra Naumann über seine bahnbrechende Arbeit. Den Abschluss des Abends bildet eine audiovisuelle Live-Performance von ZOLA (hu). <http://www.hungaricum.de/>

AUSSTELLUNG

DARK DRIVES. Uneasy Energies in Technological Times

Mit ihrem Schwerpunkt auf „unruhige Energien in technologischen Zeiten“ reagiert die von Jacob Lillemose kuratierte Ausstellung der transmediale 2012 unmittelbar auf in/compatible, das Rahmenthema des Festivals. Durch eine weitläufige und diverse Mischung an Beispielen aus Kunst und Kultur, Vergangenheit und Gegenwart argumentiert die Ausstellung, dass Verzerrungen, Uneindeutigkeiten, Irritationen, Ironien und Unruhe, bedeutende Linien bilden, wenn es um unsere Beziehung zu modernen Technologien geht – Linien, die eine Herausforderung an herkömmliche und standardisierte Vorstellungen von Technologie darstellen. Allerdings strebt die Ausstellung nicht nach einer Lösung. Im Gegenteil, es wird behauptet, dass unruhige Energien unüberwindbar sind – ein integrales und konstitutives Element technologischer Zeiten. Mit der Ausstellung sind die Besucher eingeladen, die kritischen und erfinderischen Horizonte, die sich eröffnen, zu erkunden.

Featured Cooperation

PAIDIA LABORATORY: FEEDBACK

Paidia Laboratory: feedback examines computer games as closed feedback systems, as servomechanisms or control chains that may or may not involve human elements. In an ongoing series of artistic experiments the feedback behaviour of games is studied and put in new contexts through modifications of hardware and software, creating an open structure of artefacts, schematics and patterns. The focus lies not on the usability of games, but rather on an archeology of interaction – determining the limits and boundaries of games in order to understand the media specific characteristics of computer games and the spaces they create.

Paidia Laboratory: feedback betrachtet Computerspiele als geschlossene Rückkopplungs-, Servosysteme und Kontrollfolgen, die menschliche Elemente nicht zwangsläufig beinhalten. In einer fortlaufenden Reihe an künstlerischen Experimenten wird das Rückkopplungsverhalten von Spielen analysiert und durch Veränderungen von Hard- und Software in neue Zusammenhänge gebracht. Dadurch wird eine offene Struktur der Ausstellungsobjekte, Schemata und Muster geschaffen. Der Fokus liegt hierbei nicht auf der Benutzerfreundlichkeit der Spiele, sondern eher auf einer Archäologie der Interaktion, die die Grenzen von Spielen festlegt und dadurch die medienspezifischen Eigenschaften von Computerspielen und den Räumen, die sie erschaffen, verständlich macht.

Vernissage: 29 January 17:00 – 20:00

Exhibition dates: 29 January – 5 February 2012

Opening hours: 11:00 – 19:00

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Paidia Laboratory: feedback #6, 2011 – a work from the series – is included in the transmediale 2012 exhibition “Dark Drives. Uneasy Energies in Technological Times.”

Paidia Laboratory: feedback #6, 2011 – ein Werk aus dieser Serie – wird in der transmediale 2012 Ausstellung “Dark Drives. Uneasy Energies in Technological Times” ausgestellt.

Labor Berlin 8 Haus der Kulturen der Welt

Studio Weise7: the in/compatible laboratorium

With artworks by Servando Barreiro (es), Brendan Howell (us), Julian Oliver (nz),
Gordan Savicic (at), Bengt Sjöln (se), Danja Vasiliev (ru)



The Weise7 in/compatible laboratorium is an experimental workspace set up as an exchange between an artist- and engineer-run studio space at Weisestraße 7 in Neukölln and the Labor Berlin gallery at HKW. Curated by Kristoffer Gansing, the Studio Weise7 exhibition brings together works that frame a volatile interrogation of our increased dependence on machines, computer networks, databases and digital automation. The works consist of curious devices, software and circuitry, each representing a unique, critical engagement with the challenges of our "techno-political condition".

During transmediale 2012, Weise7 will present installations, intensive mini-workshops and presentations. After the festival the laboratorium will transform into a "moratorium" where the four core themes will extend into longer workshops at the Weise7 studio.

The whole process will be concluded with a publication – an artefact that functions as a networked archive publication of all the in/compatible laboratorium activities.

This exhibition is part of the ongoing Labor Berlin series at the Haus der Kulturen der Welt, a project curated by Valerie Smith and dedicated to the creativity and potential of international artists with the city as their new home and focusing on Berlin and its conditions for artistic creation.

Das Weise7 in/kompatible laboratorium ist ein experimenteller Arbeitsraum, der als Austausch zwischen dem von Künstlern und Ingenieuren betriebenen Projektraum in der Weisestraße 7 in Neukölln und der Labor Berlin Galerie im HKW fungiert. Die von Kristoffer Gansing kuratierte Ausstellung im Studio Weise7 versammelt Werke, die auf unsere stetig wachsende Abhängigkeit von Maschinen, Computernetzwerken, Datenbanken und digitaler Automatisierung Bezug nehmen. Die Kunstwerke – kuriose Gerätschaften, Softwareprodukte und Schaltkreise – setzen sich auf jeweils eigene Art und Weise kritisch mit den Herausforderungen unseres „techno-politischen Zustands“ auseinander. Während der transmediale 2012 wird es bei Weise7 Installationen, Mini-Workshops und Vorträge geben. Im Anschluss an das Festival wird das Laboratorium dann zu einem „Moratorium“ und die vier Themen werden in nicht-öffentlichen Workshops im Studio Weise7 weiter bearbeitet. Abschließend gibt es eine Publikation, die – konzipiert als eine Art Objekt und Archivpublikation zugleich – alle in/kompatiblen Tätigkeiten des in/compatible laboratorium miteinander vernetzt.

Die Ausstellung gehört zu der fortlaufenden Reihe von Labor Berlin im Haus der Kulturen der Welt: Kuratiert von Valerie Smith, ist Labor Berlin ein Projekt, das der Kreativität und dem Potential internationaler Künstler gewidmet ist, die sich mit ihrem neuen Zuhause Berlin und dessen Bedingungen für künstlerisches Arbeiten auseinander setzen.

* Exhibition opening Labor Berlin 8
/ Studio Weise7: the in/compatible
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Featured Project

Gæoudjiparl

MORT AUX VACHES EKSTRA EXTRA – THE GÆOUDJI SYGNOK GIVE AWAY!




Gæoudjiparl aka Goodiepal.

Photo: DET HEMMELIGE SYGNOK ARKIV.

Mort Aux Vaches Ekstra Extra is a compositional project that the musical maverick and warrior Gæoudjiparl has launched to radically engage with and solve the “crisis in computer music and media art.” The project encompasses several albums, interactive game books, an autonomous school, and now the large-scale installation MORT AUX VACHES EKSTRA EXTRA – THE GÆOUDJI SYGNOK GIVE AWAY!. As part of the installation Gæoudjiparl is giving away all his belongings as he has previously done with vinyls and books. At transmediale 2012 the give-aways follow certain idiosyncratic rules and each will be accompanied by a small ritual lecture at a spot chosen by Gæoudjiparl.

Mort Aux Vaches Ekstra Extra ist ein kompositorisches Projekt des Musik-Maverick und Krieger Gæoudjiparl, bei dem er sich auf radikale Weise dafür einsetzt, die „Computermusik- und Medienkunstkrise“ zu lösen. Das Projekt besteht aus mehreren Alben, interaktiven Spiele-Büchern, einer unabhängigen Schule und jetzt noch dazu aus der großformatigen Installation MORT AUX VACHES EKSTRA EXTRA – THE GÆOUDJI SYGNOK GIVE AWAY!. Alles, was Gæoudjiparl besitzt, wird als Teil dieser Installation verschenkt, so wie er es schon seit längerem mit Schallplatten und Büchern tut. Auf der transmediale 2012 folgen die Schenkungen besonderen Regeln und jeder Akt wird im Zusammenhang mit einem kleinen Vortragsritual an einem eigens von Gæoudjiparl dafür ausgewählten Ort geschehen.


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A new initiative of transmediale

RESOURCE FOR TRANSMEDIAL CULTURE

reSource for transmedial culture is a new initiative of transmediale in collaboration with CTM/DISK, Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien, and the Post-Media Lab of the Leuphana University Lüneburg with the aim to create a framework for transmediale festival related projects that happen throughout the year in the city of Berlin. The reSource project, developed by Tatiana Bazzichelli, is launched at transmediale 2012. Here, the events are distributed into five different sub-themes: reSource Methods, reSource Activism, reSource Networks, reSource Markets and reSource Sex.

The reSource programme extends into ongoing activities with decisive touchdowns at each festival in order to act as an interface between the cultural production of art festivals and collaborative networks in the field of art and technology, hacktivism and politics. Like a source code – the instructions and functions forming the basis of every programme – the reSource provides a starting point for a distributed sharing process, compiling a commonly executable (artistic) programme. Artists, cultural producers, hackers, activists, and gender-situated communities from Berlin and elsewhere are invited to co-develop experiences, experimentation and reflection. In the course of 2012 and beyond this will create a distributed platform of networking, curating and research seeing the festival as a peer-production context for sharing knowledge and practices. Before each festival various thematic issues will generate a set of questions and topics, which will be addressed to artists and other communities within (and beyond) digital cultural production. Artistic and hacktivist practices are not only thought as a resource for producing cultural innovation but also as a strategic challenge to generate media criticism in general and to reflect on modalities of artistic production within digital culture and network economy in particular.

THE RESOURCE PROGRAMME AT TRANSMEDIALE 2012

- With a sensibility towards its in/compatibilities, reSource Methods investigate the interdisciplinary potential of art and research, reflecting on methodologies of curating (post)media art as well as on experimental and speculative methods of developing artistic and hacker practices.
- The events in reSource Activism are characterised by a search for new forms of participation and critique in the fields of art and technology. What does „activism“ mean in Web 2.0 times when apparently counter-cultural interventions are swept up and transformed almost instantly by the commercial sphere? Which strategies and tactics are possible?
- Since a certain vocabulary of freedom and peer collaboration has been adopted by the rhetoric of Web 2.0, reSource Networks is about finding timely ways of (self-)empowerment. Taking inspiration from DIY culture and practices of virality, we are looking at networking as a method to overcome proprietary standards and as a political strategy during conflicts.
- In reSource Markets we are exploring the meaning of capitalism in times of crisis by looking at how artists have responded both critically and playfully from within market logics. The series aims at possible new alternatives and more sustainable and collaborative approaches both regarding art, business and economy.
- The events in reSource Sex are dedicated to the desire of experiencing and self-governing one's own sexuality by finding ways to inhabit the zones that lie between the oftentimes male-oriented mainstream porn and the niche scene of queer and alt porn communities. This programme is for adults only.

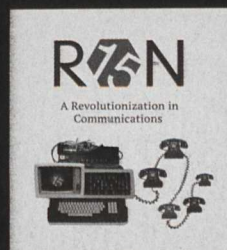
Featured Project

R15N

Experimental telephone service by Dmyrti Kleiner (ca/de), Baruch Gottlieb (ca/de), Jonas Frankki (se/de), Mike Pearce (uk), Jeff Mann (ca/de), and the Telekommunisten Network.

R15N is a telephone-based interactive installation available for the transmediale community. R15N is an artwork in the form of an experimental mobile phone service, which attempts to generate local community engagement and communication. After registering with the service on www.r15n.net participants will be randomly joined together in the R15N community, able to spread messages and share information. Every member thus eventually becomes engaged in a real conversation with another, engendering cohesion and complicity.

R15N was originally produced in collaboration with the Israeli Center of Digital Art and successfully implemented in the Jessy Cohen Neighborhood (Holon, il).



R15N, a project by The Telekommunisten.
Graphic by Jonas Frankki.

Die neue Initiative der transmediale:

RESOURCE FOR TRANSMEDIAL CULTURE

reSource for transmedial culture ist eine neue Initiative der transmediale in Zusammenarbeit mit CTM/DISK, Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien und dem Post-Media Lab der Leuphana Universität Lüneburg zum Aufbau einer Plattform für langfristig ausgerichtete Projekte, die thematisch mit der transmediale verwandt sind und während des ganzen Jahres an verschiedenen Orten in Berlin stattfinden werden. reSource wurde von Tatiana Bazzichelli entwickelt und beginnt mit der transmediale 2012 mit nach fünf Unterthemen gruppierten Veranstaltungen. Diese Themen lauten: reSource Methods, reSource Activism, reSource Networks, reSource Markets und reSource Sex.

Das reSource Programm möchte als vermittelndes Glied zwischen Kulturproduktion von Kunstfestivals und gemeinschaftlichen Netzwerken im Bereich von Kunst, Technologie, Hacktivism und Politik auftreten, um gemeinsame Aktionsformen zu finden. Als veranschaulichendes Bild fungiert der Source Code, also die für ein Programm fundamentalen Anweisungen und Funktionen. In Anlehnung an diese Idee soll reSource einen Anfangspunkt für Austauschprozesse und die Initiierung eines gemeinsamen (künstlerischen) Programms darstellen. Künstler, Kulturproduzenten, Hacker, Aktivisten und Gender-orientierte Gruppen aus Berlin und von außerhalb werden eingeladen sich über Erfahrungen, Experimente und Reflexionen auszutauschen. Im Laufe von 2012 und darüber hinaus soll eine Plattform für Netzwerke, kuratorische Projekte und Forschungsprojekte entstehen, wobei das Festival als eine Art gemeinschaftlicher Kontext zum Austausch von Wissen und Methodologien betrachtet wird. Im Vorfeld der kommenden Festivals liefert der thematische Rahmen eine Reihe inhaltlicher Fragen, die an Künstler und andere Gruppen innerhalb der digitalen Kulturproduktion herangetragen werden. Die Praktiken von Künstlern und Hackern werden dabei nicht nur als eine Quelle für kulturelle Innovationen verstanden, sondern eben gerade auch als eine strategische Herausforderung für die Ausbildung von

Medienkritik im Allgemeinen und als Reflexionsmöglichkeit der Umstände künstlerischer Produktion in digitaler Kultur und Netzwerk-Wirtschaft im Speziellen.

RESOURCE-PROGRAMM AUF DER TRANSMEDIALE 2012

- Mit einem Gefühl für ihre In/Kompatibilitäten untersucht reSource Methods das interdisziplinäre Potential von Kunst und Forschung. Behandelt werden kuratorische Methoden im Kontext der (Post)Medienkunst sowie experimentelle und spekulative künstlerische bzw. hacktivistische Praktiken.
- Die Veranstaltungen in reSource Activism stehen für die Suche nach neuen Formen der Partizipation und Kritik auf dem Gebiet der Kunst und Technologie. Was bedeutet „Aktivismus“ in Zeiten des Web 2.0, wenn scheinbar gegenkulturelle Interventionen beinahe sofort von der kommerziellen Welt vereinnahmt werden? Welche Strategien und Taktiken sind denkbar?
- In Zeiten von Web 2.0 hat sich ein Vokabular mit Begriffen wie Freiheit oder Peer Collaboration etabliert und reSource Networks steht für die Suche nach zeitgemäßen Wegen der (Selbst-)Ermächtigung. Inspiriert von der DIY-Kultur und dem Konzept der Viralität widmen wir uns Netzwerken als einer Methode zur Überwindung proprietärer Standards und als einer politischen Strategie für Konfliktzeiten.
- In reSource Markets setzen wir uns mit der Bedeutung des Kapitalismus in Krisenzeiten auseinander. Vorgestellt werden Kunstwerke, die sich auf kritische und spielerische Art auf die Logik des Marktes beziehen. Die Reihe sucht nach möglichen neuen Alternativen und nachhaltigeren und stärker auf Zusammenarbeit ausgerichteten Ansätzen für Kunst und Wirtschaft.
- reSource Sex widmet sich dem Wunsch, seine Sexualität auf eigene und selbstbestimmte Weise zu erleben. Dazu soll die Zone erkundet werden, die zwischen den oft an Männer gerichtete Mainstream-Pornos und der spezialisierteren Queer und Alternativporno-Szene liegt. Dieses Programm ist nur frei ab 18 Jahren.

Featured Project

R15N

Experimenteller Telefonservice von Dmyrty Kleiner (ca/de), Baruch Gottlieb (ca/de), Jonas Frankki (se/de), Mike Pearce (uk), Jeff Mann (ca/de) und dem Telekommunisten Netzwerk

R15N ist ein experimenteller Telefon-Service, der Engagement und Kommunikation in der lokalen Community fördern will. Nach der Registrierung auf www.r15n.net werden die Teilnehmer in der R15N-Community willkürlich miteinander verbunden und können daraufhin per Anruf Informationen austauschen. Jedes registrierte Mitglied wird sich früher oder später mit einer anderen Person in einer echten Unterhaltung befinden, was Zusammenhalt und Komplizität herstellt.

R15N wurde ursprünglich in Zusammenarbeit mit dem Israeli Center of Digital Art produziert und erfolgreich in der Jessie Cohen Neighborhood (Hofon, Il) eingesetzt.

Statement of Interest + Call for Collaborations

reSource for transmedial culture has sent out a statement of interest as a call for partners and collaborators on a number of projects in the process of creating a distributed platform throughout 2012 and beyond.

As described above (p. 21) reSource for transmedial culture aims to develop a shared knowledge laboratory within transmediale by co-organising events, workshops and talks with artists, cultural producers, activists and gender-situated communities with the following objectives:

to rethink concepts such as (social) networking, collaborative practices, innovation and participation;
to apply the concept of disruptive innovation to the art field, opening up a critical perspective onto the network economy in order to understand how the market works by disassembling its strategies and production mechanisms;

to analyse the concept of transmedial culture by investigating creative approaches across digital and analogue media and by focusing on the intersections of cultural production, networking and disruptive art

practices;

to reflect on the strategies of networked art and hacktivism by developing an empirical methodology based on mutual exchange between the members of the (post-) media art scene, cultural producers and researchers in the field of the humanities.

Learn more at: www.transmediale.de/resource
Contact: Tatiana Bazzichelli – tbazz@transmediale.de
reSource curator and programme developer

reSource for transmedial culture beabsichtigt, aus der transmediale heraus ein Laboratorium für gemeinsames Wissen ins Leben zu rufen, das gemeinsam mit Künstlern, Kulturproduzenten, Hackern, Aktivisten und genderbewussten Communities ein Veranstaltungsprogramm mit folgenden Zielen organisieren möchte (S. 22):

Konzepte wie (soziale) Netzwerke, kollaborative Praktiken, Innovation und Partizipation neu zu durchdenken;

das Konzept disruptiver Innovation auf den Bereich der Kunst anzuwenden, um die Network Economy kritisch zu beleuchten und zu verstehen, wie der Markt funktioniert, indem wir dessen Strategien und Mechanismen auseinander nehmen;

das Konzept der transmedialen Kultur zu analysieren, indem kreative Ansätze im Bereich der digitalen und analogen Medien und die Überschneidungen von Kulturproduktion, Networking und disruptiven Kunstpraktiken untersucht werden;

die Strategien von Netz-Kunst und

Hacktivism mittels einer empirischen Methodologie zu verstehen, die auf dem gegenseitigen Austausch zwischen der (Post-)Medienkunst-Szene, Kulturschaffenden und Forschern im Bereich der Geisteswissenschaften beruht.

Mehr Informationen unter:
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Kuratorin und Programmentwicklerin, reSource



Featured Project

OutResourcing –

A collaboration between transmediale and the CEMA lab at Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology in Bangalore

By means of artistic research, **OutResourcing** addresses outsourcing as an essential part, not only of global business, but also of digital cultural production. Artists and researchers located in Berlin and Bangalore participate in the project. They each engage in projects that involve methodologies of production borrowed from outsourcing, which they in turn outResource. The results will be artistic software, research and exhibitions that create new unexpected networks of cultural production. In the 2012 festival, participants from this project are Prayas Abhinav (in) and Linda Hilfling (dk/de).

OutResourcing is a project within the framework of Germany and India 2011-2012: Infinite Opportunities in cooperation with transmediale – festival for art and digital culture, Berlin, and CEMA, Center for Experimental Media Arts at Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology, Bangalore.

OutResourcing ist ein künstlerisches Forschungsprojekt zum Thema Outsourcing als einem wesentlichen Teil der Produktion nicht nur bei global agierenden Unternehmen, sondern auch für die Produktion digitaler Kultur. Künstler und Forscher aus Berlin und Bangalore nehmen teil, die sich für ihre Projekte Produktionsmethoden des Outsourcing aneignen und sie in OutResourcing umwandeln. Die Ergebnisse werden aus künstlerischen Softwares, Forschungs- und Ausstellungsprojekten bestehen, die neue und überraschende Netzwerke der Kulturproduktion begründen. Derzeit nehmen teil; Prayas Abhinav (in) und Linda Hilfling (dk/de).

OutResourcing ist ein Projekt im Rahmen von Deutschland und Indien 2011-2012: Unendliche Möglichkeiten in Kooperation mit transmediale, Festival für Kunst und digitale Kultur, Berlin, und CEMA, Center for Experimental Media Arts an der Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology, Bangalore.

The OutResourcing projects will be presented at the reSource launch, DP, p. 65 (5 Feb)

- * reSource opening, DP, p. 5 (31 Jan)
- * in/compatible Research Practices, DP, p. 12 (1 Feb)
- * Steam Machine Music performance, DP, p. 3 (31 Jan) + (Feb 1)
- * Floppy Films workshop, DP, p. 13, 26, 38 (Feb 1-3)
- * In/compatible Material intervention, DP, p. 14 (1 Feb)
- * transmediale thematic publication launch, DP, p. 16 (1 Feb)
- * Sandbox Project, DP, p. 24 (2 Feb)
- * Google One Week Piece workshop, DP, p. 26 (2 Feb)
- * CODED CULTURES panel, DP, p. 28 (2 Feb)
- * Isolation and Empowerment after Web 2.0, discussion, DP, p. 37 (3 Feb)
- * Fluid Nexus workshop, DP, p. 38 (3 Feb)
- * Crashed Economy discussion, DP, p. 42 (3 Feb)
- * R15N workshop + discussion, DP, p. 42 (3 Feb)
- * Sexuality of Machines panel, DP, p. 50 (4 Feb)
- * Bio-Game workshop, DP, p. 51 (4 Feb)
- * Commercialising Eros panel + Watch Me Work performance, DP, p. 53 (4 Feb)
- * Words of Advice for Young Pornographers workshop, DP, p. 56 (4 Feb)
- * Porn, Patriotism and Paranoia on the Chinese Internet, DP, p. 58 (4 Feb)
- * Paperduino-Uno workshop, DP, p. 64 (5 Feb)
- * reSource Launch, Ludic Salon + OutResourcing, DP, p. 65 (5 Feb)
- * Beyond in/compatible panel, DP, p. 68 (5 Feb)

VILÉM FLUSSER RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

For Vilém Flusser theory and practice were inseparable. Knowledge production as a dialogue between different standpoints, such as between science and art, theoretical and applied research, old and new media, local and global forms of organisation, is therefore the guiding principle for the concept of artistic research which the Vilém Flusser Residency Programme supports. The programme seeks to encourage new research approaches and further develop existing projects.

Greek philosopher and economist Georgios Papadopoulos has been selected for the first residency.

Theorie und Praxis waren für Vilém Flusser untrennbar miteinander verbunden. Wissensproduktion als ein Dialog unterschiedlicher Positionen – wie beispielsweise im Fall von Wissenschaft und Kunst, theoretischer und angewandter Forschung, alten und neuen Medien, lokalen und globalen Organisationsformen – stellt daher ein Leitprinzip für den Begriff künstlerischer Forschung im Rahmen des Vilém Flusser Residency Programms dar. Das Programm ist darauf ausgerichtet, neue Forschungsansätze anzuregen sowie bereits bestehende Projekte weiter zu entwickeln.

Für die erste Residency wurde der griechische Philosoph und Ökonom Georgios Papadopoulos ausgewählt.

Jury Statement Excerpt

The work of Georgios Papadopoulos eminently demonstrates the link between materiality, politics and aesthetics which is the driving principle behind transmediale's and Udk's joint Vilém Flusser Residency Programme.

Georgios Papadopoulos's project *Iconographies of the Drachma; Speculations on Symbolic Value* reflects how identity, society and all our other values are based on currencies and money. It promises to engage in an aesthetic and political produc-

tion and dialogue with great opportunity for unfolding in productive and incompatible ways within the cultural landscape of Berlin.

Die Arbeit des griechischen Ökonoms und Philosophen Georgios Papadopoulos demonstriert auf hervorragende Weise die Verlinkung von Materialität, Politik und Ästhetik, das antreibende Prinzip hinter dem von transmediale und Udk gemeinsam ins Leben gerufenen Vilém Flusser Residency

Programms.

Iconographies of the Drachma; Speculations on Symbolic Value, das Projekt von Georgios Papadopoulos, reflektiert wie Identität, Gesellschaft und all unsere anderen Werte auf Währungen und Geld basieren. Man kann sich keinen besseren Zeitpunkt als jetzt vorstellen für ein Forschungsprojekt, das die materielle und symbolische Ebene des Geldes untersucht.

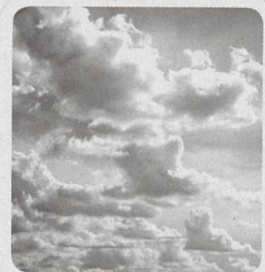
[Read the entire jury statement on our website.]

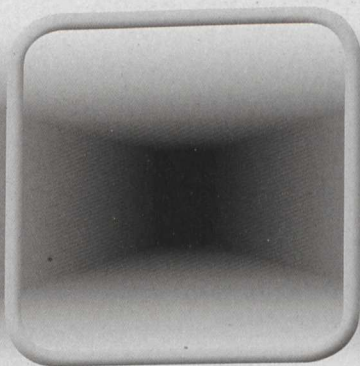
Jury Statement Excerpt

The Vilém Flusser Residency is a cooperation between the _Vilém_Flusser_Archiv (UDK) and transmediale – festival for art and digital culture.

The jury selecting the "artist in residence" 2012 consisted of: Claudia Becker (de), Julian Oliver (nz) and Kristoffer Gansing (se).

- * Business as Unusual, DP, p. 52 (4 Feb)
- * Beyond in/compatible, DP, p. 68 (5 Feb)





**transmediale and CTM present
Vorspiel**

26 – 29 January 2012
> 20 venues across Berlin
art / sound / digital culture

transmediale and CTM's Vorspiel is a pre-festival programme where over 20 partner venues invite you to a series of exhibition openings, performances, artist talks and special events outside the main venues of either festival. Vorspiel will take place on the weekend prior to both festivals, from Thursday 26 – Sunday 29 January 2012, at independent organisations, galleries, project spaces and other venues across Berlin. The Vorspiel programme partners have been selected by transmediale and CTM according to one of the following criteria: content that relate to the in/compatible and / or SPECTRAL thematic frameworks of the festivals, key collaboration partners and high artistic quality. Take this chance to experience some of Berlin's best experimental arts, music and sound in this unique pre-festival weekend.

Das Vorspiel der transmediale 2012 und CTM.12 ist ein Veranstaltungsprogramm im Vorfeld beider Festivals, bei dem über 20 Partner an verschiedenen Orten Berlins zu einer Reihe von Ausstellungseröffnungen, Performances, Künstlergesprächen und Sonderveranstaltungen einladen. Das Vorspiel findet am Wochenende vor den beiden Festivals – von Donnerstag, den 26., bis Sonntag, den 29. Januar 2012 – in verschiedenen freien Einrichtungen, Galerien, Projekträumen und an anderen Veranstaltungsorten in Berlin statt. Für Vorspiel haben transmediale und CTM Programmpartner nach bestimmten Kriterien ausgewählt: Entweder beziehen sich die Inhalte konzeptuell auf die Festivalthemen in/compatible und / oder SPECTRAL oder es handelt sich um wichtige Festival-Partner und hervorragende künstlerische Qualität. Nutzt die Chance und erlebt an diesem Pre-Festival-Wochenende eine einzigartige Auswahl experimenteller Kunst, Musik und Sound Art in ganz Berlin.

VORSPIEL SCHEDULE:

THURSDAY 26 JAN

- 19:00 Supermarkt / Free Culture Incubator Finale
- 19:00 Berliner Medizinhistorisches Museum of the Charité / Ilana Halperin. Stones
- 20:00 LEAP / BodyControlled
- 22:00 O'Tannenbaum / O'Tannenbaum DJs

FRIDAY 27 JAN

- 15:00 _Vilém_Flusser_Archiv / Flusserian Philosophical Fridays
- 16:00 c-base / Hackerspace Symposium – talks, panels & DJs
- 16:00 Computerspielmuseum (1st floor) / AMAZE presents Global Game Jam
- 17:00 Nordic Embassies, Fellehus / transmediale 2012 text – sound salon with Pär Thörn & Tobias R. Kirstein
- 19:00 Galerie [DAM]Berlin / Reply All
- 19:00 Kunstraum Kreuzberg / Bethanien / Ghosts off the Shelf (CTM.12 Exhibition Opening)
- 19:00 Substitut / Irreconcilably compatible – heidiwithoutcountry
- 19:00 LokDock / Panzer
- 20:00 Art Laboratory Berlin / Navigating the Everyday
- 20:00 Nationalgalerie im Hamburger Bahnhof / Musikwerke Bildender Künstler "db"
by Ryoji Ikeda
- 21:00 Ausland / umlaut
- 21:00 c-base / be future in/compatible
- 21:00 O'Tannenbaum / O'Tannenbaum DJs

SATURDAY 28 JAN

- 16:30 Node Center for Curatorial Studies / Berlin Art Link presents ICI's Project 35:
Screenings and Talks
17:00 Errant Bodies / Not I
19:00 STYX Projects / Frozen in Stone
19:00 uqbar / GRAMMOPHON
20:00 LEAP / in/compatible drawing in the age of electronic expressions
21:00 O'Tannenbaum / O'Tannenbaum DJs

SUNDAY 29 JAN

- 17:00 Computerspielmuseum / Paidia Laboratory: feedback
18:00 Node Center for Curatorial Studies / Berlin Art Link presents ICI's Project 35:
Screenings and Talks
19:00 Collegium Hungaricum Berlin (.CHB) /in/compatible archaeology: Light Shows Expanded, artist talk with Joshua White
19:00 NK Projekt / the immanent lie
20:00 Ausland / Picture this
21:00 O'Tannenbaum / O'Tannenbaum DJs

OTHER TRANSMEDIALE 2012 PARTNER EVENTS NOT TO MISS

Tuesday 31 Jan

20:30 Labor Berlin 8 /
Weise7: the in/compatible
laboratorium

Wednesday 1 Feb

18:30 Embassy of Canada
Marshall McLuhan Lecture
2012 / Andrew Feenberg
20:00 Embassy of Canada
Marshall McLuhan Salon /
Opening: The Jeremy Bailey
Collection

Thursday 2 Feb

19:00 .HBC / AMAZE pre-
sents Games Culture Circle
19:00 Schering Stiftung /
Hand Held Lava
19:00 The Future Gallery
/ Flow

Friday 3 Feb

15:00 _Vilém_Flusser_Ar-
chiv / Flusserian Philosoph-
ical Fridays

SPECTRAL

CTM.12 – Festival for Adventurous Music & Related Arts
30.1.–5.2.2012 / Berlin / www.ctm-festival.de

VENUE INFORMATION

- ✓ [_Vilém_Flusser_Archiv](#) / flusser-archive.org /
Grunewaldstraße 2-5, 10823
- ✓ [Collegium Hungaricum Berlin \(.CHB\)](#) /
hungaricum.de / Dorotheenstraße 12, 10117
- ✓ [Art Laboratory Berlin](#) / artlaboratory-berlin.org /
Prinzenallee 34, 13359
- ✓ [Ausland](#) / ausland-berlin.de/ Lychenerstraße 60,
10437
- ✓ [c-base](#) / c-base.org / Rungestraße 20, 10179
- ✓ [Computerspielmuseum](#) /
computerspielmuseum.de /
Karl-Marx-Allee 93a, 10243
- ✓ [Errant Bodies](#) / errantbodies.org /
Kollwitzstraße 97, 10435
- ✓ [Galerie \[DAM\]Berlin](#) / dam-berlin.de /
Neue Jakobstr. 6/7, Innenhof, 10179
- ✓ [Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien](#) /
kunstraumkreuzberg.de / Mariannenplatz 2, 10997
- ✓ [LEAP](#) / leapknecht.de /
Karl-Liebknechtstraße 13, 10178
- ✓ [LokDock](#) / lokdock.com / Am Wriezener Bahnhof /
Helsingforser Str. 10243
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- ✓ [NK Projekt](#) / nkprojekt.de / Elsenstraße 52/
2.Hinterhaus Etage 2, 12059
- ✓ [Node Center for Curatorial Studies](#) /
Waldemarstraße 37A, 10999
- ✓ [Nordic Embassies, Fellehuset](#) /
nordischebotschaften.org / Rauchstraße 1, 10787
- ✓ [O'Tannenbaum](#) / o-tannenbaum-berlin.de /
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- ✓ [Schering Stiftung](#) / scheringstiftung.de /
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- ✓ [Supermarkt](#) / supermarkt-berlin.net /
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- ✓ [STYX Projects](#) / styx-projects.com /
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- ✓ [Substitut](#) / substitut-berlin.ch /
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Festival for Adventurous Music and Related Visual Arts

30 January – 5 February 2012

CTM.12 – SPECTRAL

HAU, Berghain, Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien, Passionskirche, Kater Holzig, Horst Krzbrg, Gretchen, .HBC

With an extensive programme of concerts, discourses, and an exhibition space, CTM.12 – Festival for Adventurous Music and Related Arts is appropriating the festival theme SPECTRAL to explore the current re-emergence of all things ghostly, mysterious, and dark in experimental music, avant-pop and art.

A reversal is taking place on the fringes of today's pop culture: drag, witch house, hypnagogic pop, hauntology, analog synthesizer music, neo-industrial, and drone music all focus on the energy of negativity and unconsciousness. Throughout these various styles one explores revisitations of past music and media and their unfulfilled utopias and dystopias, conjures eerie presences that rise from the deep material structures, and rejects the state of lively present with bit-terness, euphoria or everything in between. Deceleration, decay, fumigation, noise, deformation, liquefaction, mystery, nostalgia, kitsch, emptiness, loss, withdrawal, the longing for transcendence, mundane alchemy and xeno-communications are the buzzwords of an aesthetic that, in the face of crisis as a permanent state, counters the relentlessness of hyper-capitalist production and its incessant demand for positive engagement.

CTM.12 speculates about the possible causes and inherent potentials of this re-awakened interest in the uncanny, in the ephemeral qualities of analogue technologies and real materials, and in the "ghosts" that call upon us from flea markets, libraries and the anarchives of the Internet.

In einem umfangreichen Konzertprogramm, mit Diskursveranstaltungen sowie einem Ausstellungsteil widmet sich CTM.12 – Festival for Adventurous Music and Related Arts mit dem Festivalthema SPECTRAL der gegenwärtigen Konjunktur des Geisterhaften, Dunklen und Mysteriösen in experimenteller Musik, Avant-Pop und Kunst.

An den Rändern der Popkultur ist eine Umkehrung zu beobachten: Drag, Witch House, Hypnagogic Pop, Hauntology, analoge Synthesizermusik, Neo-Industrial oder Drone Musik setzen auf eine Energie der Negativität und der Bewusstlosigkeit. Quer durch die Stile spürt man den musikalischen und medialen Heimsuchungen durch vergangene ästhetische Entwürfe samt ihren uneingelösten Utopien und Dystopien nach, beschwört die unheimlichen Anwesenheiten, die aus den materiellen Tiefenstrukturen der Medien aufsteigen und betreibt eine bittere bis euphorische Zurückweisung lebendiger Gegenwart. Verlangsamung, Zerfall, Vernebelung, Verrauschen, Deformation, Verflüssigung, Geheimnis, Nostalgie, Kitsch, Leere, Verlust, Sich-Entziehen, Transzendenzsehnsucht, Banal-Alchemie oder Xeno-Kommunikation sind Stichworte eines Instrumentariums, mit dem im Angesicht einer Krise als Dauerzustand der Rastlosigkeit hyperkapitalistischer Produktion und ihrer ununterbrochenen Forderung nach positivem Engagement begegnet wird.

In Musik, Kunst und Theorie fragt CTM.12 nach den Ursachen und Potentialen des neu erwachten Interesses am Unheimlichen, an den vergänglichen Qualitäten analoger Technologien und echter Materialien, an den „Geistermedien“ aus Flohmärkten, Bibliotheken und den Anarchiven des Internets.

[HTTP://WWW.CTM-FESTIVAL.DE](http://www.ctm-festival.de)

Featured Project

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Ghosts Off the Shelf – CTM.12 Exhibition

Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien
Address: Mariannenplatz 2, 10997 Berlin

Exhibition curated by Thibaut de Ruyter (fr/de), with Theo Altenberg, La Boîte à Gants Productions (Gilles Berquet & Mirka Lugosi), Barbara Breitenfellner, Martin Dammann, Valerie Favre, Jason Forrest, Christian Gfeller, Richard Grayson, Graf Haufen, Carl Michael von Hausswolff, Elke Silvia Krystufek, Joep van Liefland, Ingrid Luhe, Jacek Niegoda, Yokna Patofa, Jorge Queiroz, Monica Ross, Christian Vialard, Alexandra Vogt, Canine Pyromania selected video art and detritus from the transmediale archive curated by Ruth Kemper & Baruch Gottlieb, RVB-Transfert (redukt) curated by Pierre Beloûin-Optical Sound, Emissions from Anarchives, curated by Jan Rohlf & Lilli Maxine Ebert.

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PARTICIPANTS

[epidemiC]

[epidemiC] is an Italian collective of artists and programmers, which was active from 2001.

Abhinav, Prayas

Prayas Abhinav is an artist and researcher at the Srishti School of Art, Design and Technology in Bangalore, India.

Adamowsky, Natascha

Natascha Adamowsky (born 1968) is Professor for Media Cultural Studies at the Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg.

Al Sharif, Basma

Basma Al Sharif (Kuwait, 1983) is a visual artist working with moving and still images, sound and language.

Amaral, Ricardo

Ricardo Amaral (Brazil, 1984) is part of the ARTCONNECT BERLIN team.

Ammann, Hanspeter

Hanspeter Ammann (Zurich, 1953) is a video artist and curator. He lives and works in Zurich, Bangkok and Shanghai.

Andersen, Christian Ulrik

Christian Ulrik Andersen is a researcher and Associate Professor at Aarhus University, Denmark.

Anding, Volker

Volker Anding (Radevormwald, 1950) is a German film director, multimedia artist and university teacher.

Andújar, Daniel García / Technologies To The People

Daniel García Andújar (Almadí, 1966) is a visual artist who lives and works in Barcelona.

Angrisano, Nicola

Nicola Angrisano is a media activist and director of the pirate TV station insu^tv in Naples, Italy.

Anonymous

Anonymous is potentially everyone.

Ant Farm

Ant Farm is a collective founded in the US by Chip Lord and Doug Michels in 1968.

Aphex Twin

Aphex Twin (real name Richard David James, born 1971) is an electronic musician and composer. He lives and works in London.

Appelbaum, Jacob

Jacob Appelbaum works as a developer for The Tor Project and as a staff research scientist at the University of Washington Security and Privacy lab.

Apprich, Clemens

Clemens Apprich (born 1981) is a curator and Research Fellow at Leuphana University in Lüneburg.

Arns, Inke

Inke Arns is the Artistic Director of the Hartware MedienKunst-Verein in Dortmund and a curator and author on media art, net cultures and Eastern Europe.

Art 404

Art 404 (established in 2010) is an online portal and exhibition space with offices in New York City and Miami.

Assor, Nadav

Nadav Assor (Israel, 1979) is an inter-media artist, creating a range of video-based work including installations, performances, objects and prints.

Avakian, Vartan

Vartan Avakian (Beirut, 1977) is a visual artist. He lives and works in Beirut.

Bailey, Jeremy

Jeremy Bailey (Toronto, 1979) is a new media, video and performance artist. He lives and works in Toronto.

Baio, César

César Baio is a PhD researcher at the Catholic University of São Paulo (PUC/SP) with a research internship at the Vilém Flusser Archiv at the University of the Arts Berlin.

Baker, Rachel

Rachel Baker (uk) is a member of the artserver collective irational.org practising in the fields of net art, net radio and cultural hacking.

Balch, Antony

Antony Balch (London, 1937 – 1980) was a film director and distributor.

Balzer, Thomas

Thomas Balzer (born 1959) produced more than 50 documentaries. He received the German Television Award.

Baric, Dalibor

Dalibor Baric (born 1974) is a multimedia artist. He lives and works in Zagreb.

Barreiro, Servando

Servando Barreiro is a Galician New media artist based in Berlin.

Bauer, Stéphane

Stéphane Bauer (France, 1962) is the director of Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien in Berlin.

Bazzichelli, Tatiana

Tatiana Bazzichelli (Rome, 1974) is researcher, networker and curator and works for transmediale as the programme developer of the reSource for transmedial culture.

Becker, Claudia

Claudia Becker is Scientific Supervisor of the _Vilém_Flusser_Archiv. She lives and works in Berlin.

Bernaus, Júlia Mari

Júlia Mari Bernaus (Spain, 1985) is the founder of ART-CONNECT BERLIN.

Bjørnsten, Thomas

Thomas Bjørnsten (Denmark, 1976) is a PhD fellow at the Department of Aesthetics and Communication at Aarhus University, Denmark.

Blas, Zach

Zach Blas (born 1981) is an artist-theorist, living in the US working at the intersections of networked media, queerness and the political.

Blume, Claus

Claus Blume (Seesen, 1958) is a video artist, filmmaker and author. He lives and works in Bavaria.

Bowman, Susan

Susan Bowman is a British multi-media artist working in video, photography, sculpture, textiles, performance and installation.

Breinbjerg, Morten

Morten Breinbjerg (born 1965) is Associate Professor at Aarhus University, Denmark.

Brundert, Dagie

Dagie Brundert (born 1962) is a filmmaker, living and working in Berlin.

Buchzik, Dana

Dana Buchzik (born 1983) is a student of cultural science and aesthetic communication. She writes prose and poems, is currently working on her first novel and runs a blog.

Buescher, Michaela

Michaela Buescher (born in Munich) is an independent filmmaker and holds degrees in Sociology and Medicine.

Buiani, Roberta

Roberta Buiani (born 1972) is an Italian researcher, living in Toronto, Canada, working at the crossroad between art, science and technology.

Bureau of Inverse Technology (B.I.T.)

The agents of Bureau of Inverse Technology (B.I.T.) (founded in Melbourne, 1991) live and work globally.

Burroughs, William S.

William S. Burroughs (1914 – 1997) was an American novelist and poet who also worked with film, sound recordings and performance.

Bunting, Heath

Heath Bunting (London, 1966) is an artist working with technological, cultural and social systems. He lives and works in Bristol.

Burden, Chris

Chris Burden (Boston, 1946) is a performance and installation artist. He lives and works in Los Angeles.

Butler, Mark

Mark Butler (born 1974) is an American cultural scientist and futurologist, living and working in Berlin.

Cahen, Daya

Daya Cahen (Amsterdam, 1969) is an artist working mainly with photography and video.

Callas, Peter

Peter Callas (Sydney, 1952) works in the fields of film, video art and computer animation. He lives and works in Sydney.

Candeloro, Costanza

Costanza Candeloro (Bologna, 1990) works to find a new kind of relation between the human body and objects. She lives and works in Bologna.

Caravanos, Jack

Jack Caravanos (New York, 1954) is a global environmental health expert. He lives and works in New York.

Chan, Jennifer

Jennifer Chan (Ottawa, 1988) is an artist-curator who works with video and web-based media. She grew up in Hong Kong and currently works between Toronto and Syracuse, NY.

Cheang, Shu Lea

Shu Lea Cheang (born 1954) is a Taiwan-born artist, living in Paris and working in the fields of net-based installations, social interface and film production.

Coleman, Gabriella

Gabriella Coleman is an anthropologist with an interest in computer hacking. She is Wolfe Chair in Scientific and Technological Literacy at McGill University.

Colleoni, Elanor

Elanor Colleoni (born 1976) is a Research Fellow at Copenhagen Business School, Denmark.

Cornish, Tracy

Tracy Cornish (Adelaide, Australia, 1973) is a new media artist. She lives and works in San Diego.

Cortright, Petra

Petra Cortright (Santa Barbara, 1986) is an Internet artist. She lives and works in Santa Barbara.

Cox, Geoff

Geoff Cox is a researcher, occasional artist, writer, and curator, living and working at Aarhus University in Denmark.

Cramer, Florian

Florian Cramer (born 1969) is director of the applied research centre Creating 010 at Hogeschool Rotterdam, The Netherlands. He lives and works in Rotterdam.

Cunningham, Chris

Chris Cunningham (born 1970) is known for his award-winning music videos, video installations, short films, music, photography and commercials.

Dahl, Jay

Jay Dahl is a filmmaker. He lives and works in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Daniels, Dieter

Dieter Daniels is professor of Art History and Media Theory at the Academy of Visual Arts (HGB) in Leipzig. Since 2010 Daniels has been the chair of the advisory board of transmediale.

De Gruyter, Jos & Thys, Harald

Jos de Gruyter (Geel, 1965) and Harald Thys (Wilrijk, 1966) are an artist duo. They live and work in Brussels.

De Vega, Mario

Mario de Vega (Mexico City, 1979) is a musician and sound artist. He lives and works in Berlin and Mexico City.

Dean, Jodi

Jodi Dean is a lecturer and author focused on contemporary political and media theory.

Dellbrügge & de Moll

Dellbrügge & de Moll (born 1961), are a media artist duo based in Berlin.

Denny, Alyson

Alyson Denny makes abstract photographic images, both still and moving. She is also a member of The Joshua Light Show.

D'Escriván, Julio

Julio d'Escriván is a Venezuelan composer/performer based in the UK. He explores the interferences and overlaps between computer code, images, natural language and sound.

dieb13

dieb13 is a musician and sound artist. He lives and works in Vienna.

Dieter, Michael

Michael Dieter is a lecturer in art, media, ecology and politics. He is a PhD scholar on contemporary technoscientific art practices.

Discenza, Anthony

Anthony Discenza (New Brunswick, New Jersey, 1968) is a video artist living in Oakland, California.

Distel, Herbert

Herbert Distel (Bern, 1942) is painter, sculptor, photographer, filmmaker and composer. He lives and works in Campiglia.

Dragona, Daphne

Daphne Dragona (born 1975) is a media art curator, living and working in Athens.

Dullaart, Constant

Constant Dullaart (born 1979) is a multimedia artist. He lives and works in Amsterdam and Berlin.

Druckrey, Timothy

Timothy Druckrey is a researcher, curator and writer and Director of the Graduate Photographic and Electronic Media programme at the Maryland Institute.

El Azma, Sherif

Sherif El Azma (Manchester, 1975) is a video and sound artist. He lives and works in Cairo.

Epininonda, Haris

Haris Epininonda (Nicosia, 1980) is an artist mainly working in the fields of video and installation. She lives and works in Berlin.

Erhardt, Kate

Kate Erhardt (born 1983) is a South African artist, living and working in Berlin.

Ernst, Wolfgang

Wolfgang Ernst (born 1959) is a media theorist. He was trained as a historian and classical philologist.

Espenschied, Dragan

Dragan Espenschied (Munich, 1975) is an artist, programmer, musician and teacher. He lives and works in Stuttgart.

Estok, Victoria

Victoria Estok (born 1978) is a sound artist, living and working in the US.

eteam

Franziska Lamprecht (born 1975) and Hajoe Moderegger (born 1964) are eteam, a media artist duo. They live and work in New York and Mannheim.

Farocki, Harun

Harun Farocki (Nový Jicin/Neutitschein, 1944) is a filmmaker, author, editor and teacher. He lives and works in Berlin.

Feenberg, Andrew

Andrew Feenberg is a Vancouver based researcher and professor. His work combines critical theory with the philosophy of science and technology.

Feser, Dennis

Dennis Feser (Bingen am Rhein, 1978) is a performance and video artist. He lives and works in Austria.

Fischer, Eva

Eva Fischer (born 1983, artist name: e:v/a) is a curator and visualist, living and working in Austria.

Frieling, Rudolf

Rudolf Frieling is an art historian. He is Curator of Media Arts at the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art.

Frölke, René

René Frölke (Eichsfeld, 1978) is a freelance editor and cameraman. He lives and works in Berlin.

Fuchs, Mathias

Mathias Fuchs (born 1956) is an artist, living and working in Berlin.

Fuller, Matthew

Matthew Fuller is involved in a number of projects in art, media and software and is a Reader at the Centre for Cultural Studies, Goldsmiths, University of London.

Gæoudjiparl

Gæoudjiparl is a Danish/Faroese musician, composer, hacker, instrument builder, and media enigma. He lives and works around the world.

Gagnon, Dominic

Dominic Gagnon (Rimouski, 1974) works as an inventor, director, installer and active performer. He lives in Québec.

Gansing, Kristoffer

Kristoffer Gansing (Karlstad, 1976) is the Artistic Director of transmediale. He lives and works in Berlin.

Giordano, Matteo

Matteo Giordano (Pescara, 1985) works to reveal the association and dissociation of thought and action, as well as contemporary culture distortion. He lives and works in Berlin.

Gonring, Gabriel Menotti

Gabriel Menotti Gonring (Brazil, 1983) is an independent curator, living and working in London.

Gottlieb, Baruch

Baruch Gottlieb is a Canada-born artist, living and working in Berlin.

Götttsching, Manuel

Manuel Götttsching is a pioneering guitarist and electronic musician with a career spanning over 40 years.

Grundick, Karla & Mistress Koyo

Mistress Koyo was last seen walking her slaves on the Columbia University campus in New York. Karla Grundick changed her name and works as a moderately successful artist in Berlin.

Guyer, Peter

Peter Guyer (Zurich, 1957) is a video artist, filmmaker and cinematographer. He lives and works in Wabern, Bern.

Haeri, Reza

Reza Haeri (born 1974) is an Iranian filmmaker and producer of documentary and short films. He lives and works in Tehran.

Hallett, Nick

Nick Hallett is a composer, vocalist, cultural producer, and music director of the Joshua Light Show. He lives and works in New York.

Halonen, Henna-Riikka

Henna-Riikka Halonen (Finland, 1975) is an artist mainly working with video and photography. She lives and works in Helsinki.

Halpern, Orit

Orit Halpern is a historian of science and media theorist. She works on temporality, memory, and the archive in digital media.

Harman, Graham

Graham Harman (born in Chicago) is a professor, author and editor. He works as Professor of Philosophy and Associate Provost for Research Administration at the American University in Cairo.

Hassine, Tsila / misstate

Tsila Hassine / misstate is a net artist and a critical engineer from Israel. Her interests are the hidden potentialities withheld in electronic data.

Haugen, Bjørn Erik

Bjørn Erik Haugen (1978, Tønsberg) is an artist working mainly with sound, sculpture and video-installations. He lives and works in Oslo.

Haugen, Heidi-Anett

Heidi-Anett Haugen (Stavanger, 1985) is a filmmaker. She lives and works in Gothenburg.

Hayeur, Isabelle

Isabelle Hayeur (born 1969) is a Montreal-based artist working primarily in digital photography and video.

Heibach, Astrid

Astrid Heibach (Düsseldorf, 1949) works as a visual artist, writer, editor, lecturer and filmmaker. She lives and works in Berlin.

Heidenreich, Ralph

Ralph Heidenreich (Biberach an der Riss, 1957) works as a programmer and author. He lives and works in Biberach/Riss.

Heidenreich, Stefan

Stefan Heidenreich (Biberach an der Riss, 1965) works as an author and teacher. He lives in Berlin and works at the Kunsthochschule Kassel and the ETH Zurich.

Hilfling, Linda

Linda Hilfling works with interventions in code, organisation and law, with a focus on means of control and their cultural impact.

Holert, Tom

Tom Holert (born 1962) is an art historian and cultural studies scholar as well as an artist. He lives and works in Berlin and Vienna, where he teaches at the Academy of Fine Arts.

Horelli, Laura

Laura Horelli (Helsinki, 1976) is a visual artist exploring the intersection of the private and public spheres. She lives and works in Berlin.

Howell, Brendan

Brendan Howell is a media artist and an engineer who has created various software works and interactive electronic inventions. He lives and works in Berlin.

Howse, Martin

Martin Howse is a programmer, theorist, performer and explorer of open hardware and psycho-physical research.

Huffman, Kathy Rae

Kathy Rae Huffman is an independent curator. She lives and works in Berlin and Los Angeles.

Hug, Martin

Martin Hug (born 1956) is a Swiss musician and sound artist, living and working in Spain.

Iles, Anthony

Anthony Iles is a writer of criticism, fiction and theory, living and working in London.

Issa, Iman

Iman Issa (Cairo, 1979) is an artist mainly working in the fields of video, photography and installation. She lives and works in Cairo and New York.

Jacobs, Katrien

Katrien Jacobs is a scholar, artist, activist and Associate Professor in cultural studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Jackson, Robert

Robert Jackson (born 1983) is a PhD student at the University of Plymouth, an artist and a software developer, living and working in the UK.

Jaromil aka Denis Roio

Jaromil aka Denis Roio is an artist, hacker and activist, crossing borders between art and code.

Jaschko, Susanne

Dr Susanne Jaschko is an independent curator of contemporary experimental art. She was curator and later deputy director of transmediale between 1997-2004.

JODI

JODI, or www.jodi.org, is a collective of two artists, Joan Heemskerck and Dirk Paesmans, who deconstruct contemporary technologies.

Johanneson, Sture

Sture Johanneson (born 1935) is an artist who started the Cannabis Gallery (1966-1969) in Malmö. He lives and works in Skanör.

jon.satrom

jon.satrom (Bismarck, N.D., 1980) is a dirty-new-media artist and organiser. He lives and works in Chicago.

Junko

Junko (born 1961) is a Japanese musician involved in the international noise scene.

Kahn, Sophie

Sophie Kahn (London, 1980) works as an artist mainly in the fields of sculpture and video. She lives and works in Chicago and New York.

Kantorowicz, Liad Hussein

Liad Hussein Kantorowicz (born 1977) is a performer and activist from Israel-Palestine, living and working in Berlin.

Keller, JK

JK Keller (Hutchinson, Minnesota, 1976) works with design, code and art handicraft. He lives and works in Baltimore.

Kemp, Jonathan

Jonathan Kemp (born 1962) is an artist, living and working in London.

Kirby, Seth

Seth Kirby is a filmmaker, musician and artist. He has created imagery for touring bands such as Scissor Sisters and is member of the Joshua Light Show.

Kirstein, TR

TR Kirstein (Copenhagen, 1972) is a musician, performance and installation artist. He lives and works in Copenhagen.

Kleiner, Dmytri

Dmytri Kleiner is a Canadian artist, author of the Telekommunist Manifesto and creator of miscommunication technologies. He lives and works in Berlin.

Knouf, Nicholas

Nicholas Knouf (born 1980) is a researcher and PhD candidate at Cornell University in Ithaca, US.

Könemann, Flora

Flora Könemann is a performance and sound artist. She experiments with tape players, typewriters, electronic circuits, voice and noise.

Krebs, Mike

Mike Krebs (born 1952) is CEO of cineteam Filmproduktion. He lives and works in Frankfurt am Main.

Krysa, Joasia

Joasia Krysa (born 1969) is a curator, writer and academic, founding director of KURATOR/AST. She is based in Denmark.

Kuchar, George

George Kuchar (1942-2011) was a film- and videomaker. He lived and worked in the USA.

Kurtela, Nina

Nina Kurtela (Zagreb, 1981) is a visual artist with a practice in contemporary dance, performance and choreography. She lives and works in Berlin and Zagreb.

Lambert, Steve

Steve Lambert (born 1976) is an artist, founder of the Anti-Advertising Agency, living and working in the US.

Lawrie, Magnus

Magnus Lawrie (born 1973) is an ELMCIP (HERA) PhD candidate at Edinburgh College of Art and University of Edinburgh.

Lialina, Olia

Olia Lialina (Moscow, 1971) is a net artist and Professor at the New Media Pathway of Merz Akademie (Stuttgart). She writes about Digital Folklore, Vernacular Web and user culture.

Libertini, Luca

Luca Libertini (Florence, 1989) explores the expressive possibilities of sound processing. He lives and works in Bologna.

Lillemoose, Jacob

Jacob Lillemoose (born 1974) is a researcher and writer and is the exhibition curator of transmediale 2012.

Lottmann, Eckart

Eckart Lottmann is a filmmaker and researcher. In 1977 he co-founded „MedienOperative Berlin“. Since 1992, he has worked as a freelance journalist.

Luning, Peter

Peter Luning (born 1961) is an artist, curator and theorist who lives and works in Amsterdam.

Maamoun, Maha

Maha Maamoun is a curator and artist primarily working with photography and video. She lives and works in Cairo, Egypt.

Magdy, Basim

Basim Magdy (Assiut, 1977) is an artist working with drawing, painting, animation, installation, sculpture, film, video, sound and printed matter. He lives and works in Basel and Cairo.

Mansoux, Aymeric

Aymeric Mansoux (born 1976) is a French artist, co-founder of Goto10, living and working in the Netherlands.

Mattar, Walid

Walid Mattar (Tunisia, 1980) is a filmmaker and cinematographer. He lives and works in Paris.

Matronic, Ana

Ana Matronic is a musician and singer of the band Scissor Sisters. She is also a liquid light artist for the Joshua Light Show.

Mattes, Eva and Franco aka 0100101110101101.ORG

Eva and Franco Mattes aka 0100101110101101.ORG hack the Internet and other mass media. They live and work in New York.

Mattin

Well I am what I am could be what you are.

Maurya, Vibek Raj

Vibek Raj Maurya (born 1977) is an environmental service professional with expertise in sustainable development and environmental justice.

McLean, Jesse

Jesse McLean (Philadelphia, 1975) is a filmmaker. She lives and works in Chicago.

Megert, Franziska

Franziska Megert (born 1950) is an artist working with video, interactive installations and photography. She lives and works in Düsseldorf and Bern.

Meissner, Norbert

Norbert Meissner (Stendal/Altmark, 1954) is a video and media artist. He lives and works in Leipzig.

Melhus, Björn

Björn Melhus (Kirchheim unter Teck, 1966) is a German-Norwegian media artist. He lives and works in Berlin.

Menkman, Rosa

Rosa Menkman is a Dutch "visualist" who focuses on the aesthetics of artefacts created by accidents in digital media.

Messina, Sergio

Sergio Messina (born 1959) is a musician, writer, sound designer, and performer, living and working in Italy.

Miyazaki, Shintaro

Shintaro Miyazaki (born 1980) is a researcher and media historian and theorist, living and working in Berlin.

Mohr, Thomas

Thomas Mohr (Mainz, 1954) is a video artist. He lives and works in Amsterdam.

Monroe, Brock

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Munz, Thomas

Thomas Munz is a Berlin based independent curator and editor who curated the transmediale film and video programme between 2002 and 2009.

Naumann, Sandra

Sandra Naumann is a media art historian and curator specialised in A/V live performances, sound-image relations and Visual Music. She lives and works in Berlin.

Neeman, Ziv

Ziv Neeman is a critic, lecturer artist and political activist from Israel. He has taught courses on the cultural history of computing, the internet and cyberculture.

Neozoon

Neozoon is an artist group questioning the relationship between man and animal. They work and live in Berlin and Paris.

Novati, Gaia

Gaia Novati (born 1976) is a curator and activist, working on gender themes and independent pornography.

Nowak, Till

Till Nowak (born 1980) is running his own studio „framebox“ for digital art and animation since 1999. He is based in Hamburg.

Nyst, Jacques Louis & Nyst, Danièle

Jacques Louis Nyst (1942 – 1995) and Danièle Nyst (1942 – 1998) collaborated on a body of video works for almost 20 years.

Ogawa, Norifumi

Norifumi Ogawa (Yokohama, 1971) lives and works in Tokyo. He is a programmer, engineer, and CEO of GOGOLabs Inc.

Ogidan, Sydney

Sydney Ogidan (born 1974) is a curator and photographer, living and working in Vienna.

Oliver, Julian

Julian Oliver is a New Zealander and Critical Engineer based in Berlin.

Oneohtrix Point Never

The man behind the ambient soundscapes of Oneohtrix Point Never is the Brooklynite Daniel Lopatin.

Ortiz, Raphael Montañez

Raphael Montañez Ortiz (Brooklyn, 1934) works as an artist in the fields of sculpture, installation and video. He lives and works in New Jersey.

Osterhoff, Johannes P.

Johannes P. Osterhoff (born 1980) is an interface artist, living and working in Berlin.

Paidia Institute

Paidia Institute (Cologne) examines, exposes and transforms aesthetic and cultural interrelations of art and technology. Paidia Institute are Björn Theis, Jonas Hansen, Karin Lingnau, Lasse Scherffig, Susanna Schoenberg, Thomas Hawranke, Zilvinas Lias.

Palmieri, Francesco Macarone aka WARBEAR

Francesco Macarone Palmieri aka WARBEAR (born 1970) is an anthropologist, curator, artist, and DJ, living and working in Berlin and Rome.

Paloque-Berges, Camille

Camille Paloque-Berges works as researcher, teacher and author. She lives and works in Franche-Comté.

Papadopoulos, Georgios

Georgios Papadopoulos is an economist and philosopher, researching on money and its socioeconomic functions. He lives and works in Athens.

Parikka, Jussi

Jussi Parikka is a new media theorist, writer and Reader in Media & Design at Winchester School of Art (University of Southampton).

Peill, Edward

Edward Peill is a filmmaker who lives and works in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

People Like Us

Since 1991 Vicki Bennett has been making CDs, radio, and A/V multimedia under the name People Like Us.

Pierce, Julianne

Julianne Pierce (Australia, 1963) is an artist, curator and producer, living and working in the UK.

Podrescu, Paolo aka Podinski

Paolo Podrescu aka Podinski is a writer, vj/dj/xj and co-founder of the XLterrestrials.

Pope, Doug

Doug Pope of the Joshua Light Show has a background in theatre and works as a production manager and technical director for musical, corporate and political events.

Popović, Adnan

Adnan Popović studies at the Academy of Fine Arts in Vienna. He works in the fields of film, video and animation.

Prior, Andrew

Andrew Prior is a digital/sound artist and musician, living and working in the UK.

Provost, Nicolas

Nicolas Provost (Ronse, 1969) is a filmmaker and visual artist. He lives and works in Brussels.

Rakhmetova, Aliya

Aliya Rakhmetova (Kazakhstan, 1977) is a sex workers' human rights activist. She is Project Coordinator at SWAN (Sex Workers' Rights Advocacy Network).

RASKIN

RASKIN was a video performance group of Rotraut Pape (Berlin, 1956) and Andreas Coerper (Düsseldorf, 1955).

Reinke, Steve

Steve Reinke (born 1963) is an artist and writer best known for his work in video. He is currently associate professor of Art Theory and Practice at Northwestern University.

Reitstätter, Luise

Luise Reitstätter (born 1981) is a cultural scientist, living and working in Austria.

Renzi, Alessandra

Alessandra Renzi (born 1973) is an Italian researcher, living and working in Toronto, Canada.

Rich, Kate

Kate Rich (Australia, 1968) is a UK-based artist and trader.

Rieger, Frank

Frank Rieger is spokesperson for Chaos Computer Club, and author on digital security and the influence of technology on society, citizen rights and politics. He lives and works in Berlin.

Rifky, Sarah

Sarah Rifky is a curator, editor and teacher. She lives and works in Cairo and elsewhere.

Riis, Morten

Morten Riis (born 1980) is an artist, musician and PhD researcher, living and working in Denmark.

Rohlf, Jan

Jan Rohlf is co-founder, artistic director and head of communications of the CTM-festival in Berlin.

Roisz, Billy

Billy Roisz experiments with the link between auditive and visual stimulation in live performances. She lives and works in Vienna.

Rosen, Roe

Roe Rosen (Rehovot, 1963) is an artist, filmmaker and writer. He lives and works in Tel Aviv.

Rupcich, Nicolás

Nicolás Rupcich (Santiago de Chile, 1981) is a photography and video artist. He lives and works in Santiago de Chile.

Russegger, Georg

Georg Russegger (born 1978) is coordinator of the CODED CULTURES festival in Vienna, living and working in Austria.

Sakrowski, Robert

Robert Sakrowski is an art historian who headed the project netart-datenbank.org at TU Berlin and has curated several exhibitions in the field of Net-based art including the project CuratingYouTube.

Salter, Christopher

Christopher Salter is an artist and Director of the Hexagram Centre for Research-Creation in Media Arts and Technology at Concordia University (Montreal).

Salvatrice Settis

Salvatrice Settis is a heteronym used by an Italian activist group, born as a reaction to the Italian political condition.

Satz, Aura

Aura Satz (Barcelona, 1974) has performed, exhibited and screened her work across Europe. She is a fellow and lecturer at the London Consortium.

Savičić, Gordan

Gordan Savičić is a Critical Engineer and researcher born in Vienna. He lives and works in Berlin and Rotterdam.

Scherer, Bernd

Bernd Scherer (born 1955) is an artistic director and author of several publications focusing on aesthetics and international cultural exchange. He is the current Director of Haus der Kulturen der Welt.

Scherffig, Lasse

Lasse Scherffig (born 1978) is a researcher and scientific assistant at Lab3, Academy of Media Arts Cologne (KHM).

Schneider, Andreas

Filmmaker Andreas Schneider (Herborn, 1980) currently lives in Cologne, Germany.

Schultz, Oliver Lerone

Oliver Lerone Schultz (born 1970) is a curator, researcher and coordinator of the Post-Media Lab at Leuphana University in Lüneburg.

Schultz, Pit

Pit Schultz (born 1965) is an author, artist, computer expert and net activist. He lives and works in Berlin.

Schuster, Nikki

Nikki Schuster (1974) is an animation film artist. She lives and works in Berlin.

Schwierin, Marcel

Marcel Schwierin (Marburg 1965) has curated film and video programmes for transmediale since 2010. He lives and works in Berlin.

Sedlag, Gregor

Gregor Sedlag (born 1966) is visual „phuturist“, illustrator, graphic designer and comic author, living and working in Berlin.

Shahbazi, Solmaz

Solmaz Shahbazi (Tehran, 1971) is a video artist and photographer. She lives and works in Berlin.

Silver, Shelly

Shelly Silver (born 1957) is a New York based artist utilizing video, film and photography.

Sjölén, Bengt

Bengt Sjölén is an independent software and hardware designer/hacker/artist based in Stockholm.

Sollfrank, Cornelia

Cornelia Sollfrank is an artist and researcher, based at Dundee University, Scotland, College of Art and Design.

Spahn, Wolfgang

Wolfgang Spahn (born 1970) is a visual artist. He lives and works in Berlin.

SPK

SPK was a music group formed (in 1977) by Graeme Revell and Neil Hill who met at a psychiatric hospital.

STRFLD

STRFLD Simulation is a system for direct dubbing operated by lu-cut and aktylat.

Štromajer, Igor

Igor Štromajer (born 1967) is an intimate mobile communicator. He lives and works in Hamburg and Ljubljana.

Studio Weise7

Studio Weise7 is an art studio run by both international technicians and artists in Weisestraße in Neukölln.

Supersilent

Supersilent is a Norwegian improvisational band formed in Bergen in 1997.

Tabatabai, Nasrin and Afrasiabi, Babak

Nasrin Tabatabai and Babak Afrasiabi (Tehran, 1961/1969) are publication, video and installation artists. They live and work in Rotterdam.

Tarasiewicz, Matthias

Matthias Tarasiewicz (born 1979) is a digital bricoleur / coder, researcher and technology theorist, living and working in Austria.

Tesla, Nikola

Nikola Tesla (1856-1943) was an inventor interested in wireless transfer of energy.

Thörn, Pär

Pär Thörn (born 1977) is a Swedish poet, sound and performance artist. He lives and works in Malmö and Berlin.

Thompson, Marie

Marie Thompson (born 1987) is a PhD candidate at the Culture Lab and the International Centre of Newcastle University.

Tricoli, Valerio

Valerio Tricoli is a concrete music composer, improviser, sound installation artist, producer, sound engineer and curator. He lives and works in Berlin.

Tsaliki, Liza

Liza Tsaliki is visiting senior fellow at media@LSE and an assistant professor at the Faculty of Communications and Mass Media, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Tyzlik-Carver, Magda

Magda Tyzlik-Carver is a PhD researcher at KURATOR/AST and at the University of Plymouth.

UBERMORGEN.COM

UBERMORGEN.COM (Hans Bernhard, 1971, and Iizvlx, 1973) is a netart duo. They live and work in Vienna.

Vasiliev, Danja

Danja Vasiliev is a Critical Engineer working in the field of telecommunications, digital systems and computer-to-human interfaces. Danja was born in Saint-Petersburg and is currently based in Berlin.

Vasulka, Steina and Woody

Steina (born 1940) and Woody (born 1937) Vasulka are pioneers of video art. They live and work in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Vedder, Maria

Maria Vedder (Nordhorn, 1948) is a media artist and professor at the Universität der Künste Berlin, she lives and works in Berlin.

VNS Matrix

VNS Matrix (Virginia Barratt, Francesca da Rimini, Julianne Pierce and Josephine Starrs) is a cyberfeminist group that was founded in Adelaide, Australia in 1991, and was active until 1997.

Völkers, Hortensia

Hortensia Völkers (Buenos Aires, 1957) is head and artistic director of the Kulturstiftung des Bundes.

Wellmer, Marcelina

Marcelina Wellmer (Poland, 1975) brings visual, kinetic and acoustic elements into a playful and distorted dialogue through her works. She lives and works in Berlin.

Wenhart, Nina

Nina Wenhart (born 1975) is a Media Art historian, independent researcher, and PhD candidate, living and working in Austria.

Westerhus, Stian

Stian Westerhus is one of Norway's most in demand young musicians playing in bands like Monolithic (with Kenneth Kapstad from Motorpsycho), Puma, Nils Petter Molvaer Group and more.

White, Joshua

Joshua White founded the legendary Joshua Light Show in 1967. He reformed the show in 2007 with a new team of artists.

White, Ruth

Ruth White (born 1925) was trained as a classical musician but became a pioneer of electronic music.

Wiedemann, Carolin

Carolin Wiedemann (born 1983) is a PhD candidate and teaching assistant at Hamburg University.

Wiedemann, Thorsten S.

Thorsten S. Wiedemann is founder and artistic director of A MAZE., a festival and series of events based in Berlin.

Willim, Katrin

Katrin Willim started to make video art in the GDR. She lives and works in Berlin.

Wlodkowski, Michal

Michal Wlodkowski is one of the founders of Super.net and coordinator of the Coded Cultures festival in Vienna.

Wong, Paul

Paul Wong (Prince Rupert, BC, 1954) is a Canadian multimedia artist and curator.

Woodeson, Ben

Ben Woodeson (London, 1965) makes provocative and deliberately confrontational sculptures using everyday materials.

Woznicki, Krystian

Krystian Woznicki (Glatz, 1972) is a critic and publicist. He lives and works in Berlin.

Wüst, Florian

Florian Wüst (Munich, 1970) is a visual artist and independent film curator. He lives and works in Berlin.

Zaatari, Akram

Akram Zaatar (Saida, 1966) is a video artist and the co-founder of the Arab Image Foundation. He lives and works in Beirut.

Zayan, Mohamed & El Abedeen, Eslam Zeen

Mohamed Zayan and Eslam Zeen El Abedeen are artists living and working in Cairo.

Zeyen, Stefan

Stefan Zeyen (Essen, 1968) is an artist mainly working with video. He lives and works in Berlin.

Zielinski, Siegfried

Siegfried Zielinski holds the Chair for Media Theory / Archaeology and Variantology of Media at Berlin University of the Arts.

Zimmer, Christopher

Christopher Zimmer is a filmmaker who lives and works in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

ZOLA

In his AV-set projects, the Hungarian VJ ZOLA visualises surfaces of relational networks and the theory of probabilities.

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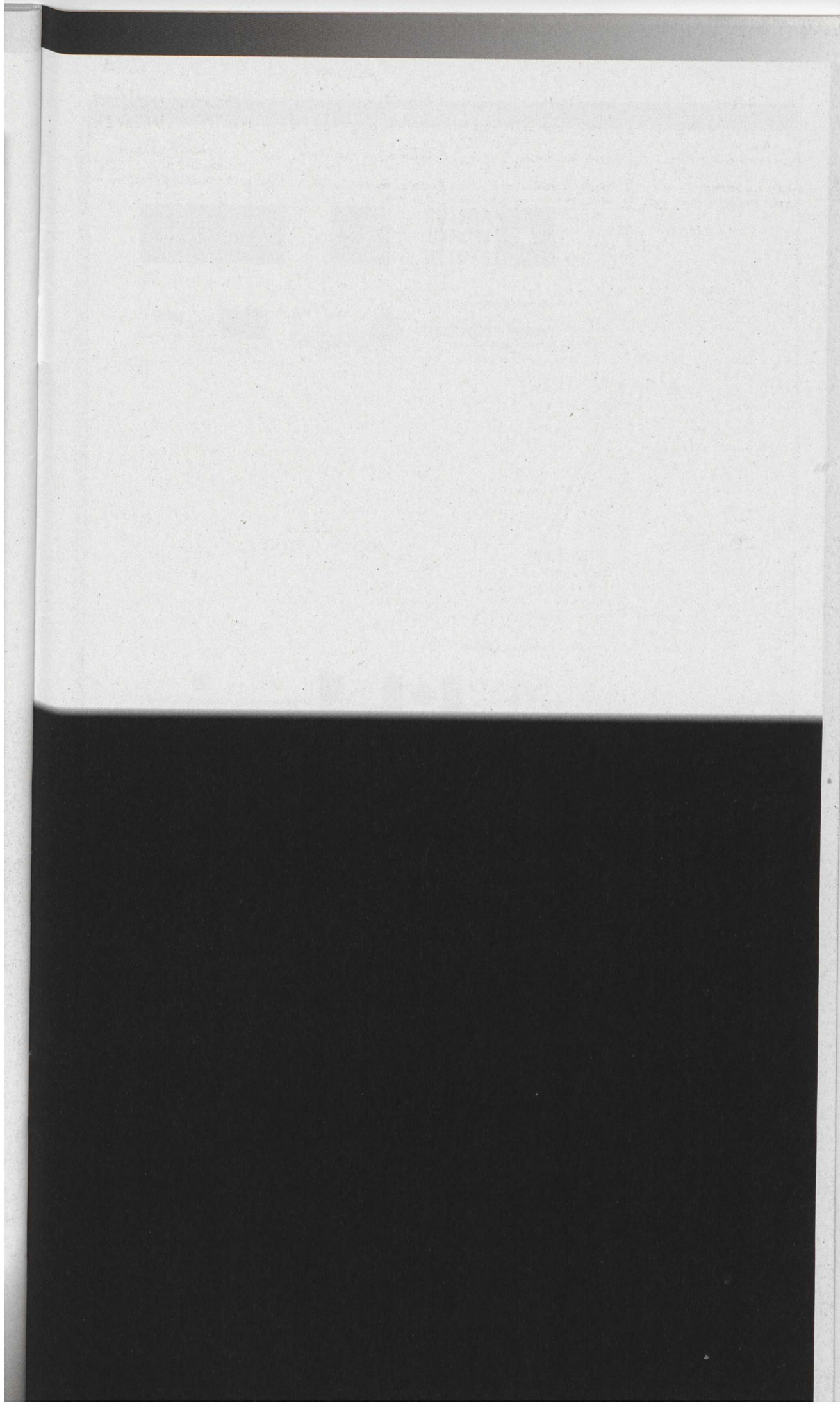
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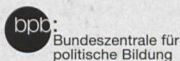
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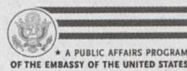
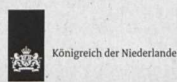
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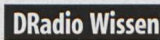
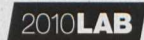
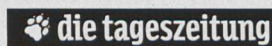
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