

Press Release

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POWER SPACE VIOLENCE – Performances, discussions, lectures, readings with Louis Chude-Sokei, Hani Mojtahedy, Nora Sternfeld, Ingo Schulze, Mykola Ridnyi and others Until 12 July 2023, Pariser Platz and Hanseatenweg

On the occasion of the ongoing exhibition “POWER SPACE VIOLENCE. Planning and Building under National Socialism”, the Akademie der Künste is organising a programme of performances, discussions, lectures and readings dedicated to the artistic examination of the architectural and ideological remains of National Socialism. The programme will run until 12 July 2023.

How can the perception of sound contribute to a reflection on history? With music and lectures, scholar Louis Chude-Sokei, sound artist Yara Mekawei, musician and artist Jan St. Werner, singer Hani Mojtahedy and others explore the echoes of the former Nazi Party Rally Grounds in Nuremberg. A discussion on current strategies of the arts in dealing with right-wing violence will be held with director Nuran David Calis, author Özlem Özgül Dündar, visual artist Leon Kahane and the curator and art mediator Nora Sternfeld. With *Free Berlin*, Brandon LaBelle, Gabu Heindl, the group Organisms Democracy and others address the power politics of urban spaces. In a reading and discussion, Ingo Schulze, Yoko Tawada and Cécile Wajsbrot approach the *Schwerbelastungskörper*, or “heavy load-bearing body”, a relic of the National Socialist building legacy in Berlin. Using examples of public sculptures, squares and art collections in Berlin and Kyiv, the Ukrainian artists Oleksandr Burlaka, Sasha Kurmaz and Mykola Ridnyi, together with the art historian and curator at the National Art Museum of Kyiv Hanna Aliieva, explore historical narratives of propaganda, colonialism and fascism that reach into the present day.

Event Details

History is Listening. Re-Sonifying Nuremberg

Wednesday, 7 June, 7 pm, Pariser Platz, €6/4, music and sound performance, lecture, discussion with Michael Akstaller, Louis Chude-Sokei, Yara Mekawei, Hani Mojtahedy, Gascia Ouzounian and Jan St. Werner. In English >> [more](#)

Art vs. the Right-wing

Friday, 16 June, 7 pm, Pariser Platz, €6/4, lecture and discussion with Nora Sternfeld, Nuran David Calis, Özlem Özgül Dündar, Leon Kahane. Moderation: Aida Baghernejad >> [more](#)

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Saturday, 17 June, 5 pm, Pariser Platz, free admission, publication launch and interventions with Brandon LaBelle, Gabu Heindl, Adam Kraft, Kailin Badal Thomas, Berlin School of Sound, Organisms Democracy et al. In English >> [more](#)

SCHWER BELASTUNGS KÖRPER

Wednesday, 21 June, 7 pm, Pariser Platz, €6/4, readings and discussion with Ingo Schulze, Yoko Tawada and Cécile Wajsbrot. Welcome address: Kerstin Hensel >> [more](#)

Entanglements of Power

Wednesday, 12 July, 7 pm, Hanseatenweg, €6/4, discussion and artistic contributions with Hanna Aliieva, Oleksandr Burlaka, Sasha Kurmaz, Mykola Ridnyi. Moderation: Bettina Klein. In English >> [more](#)

Further information on the exhibition and events: adk.de/macht_raum_gewalt

Exhibition information

POWER SPACE VIOLENCE

Planning and Building under National Socialism
Akademie der Künste, Pariser Platz 4, 10117 Berlin
19 April to 16 July 2023
Opening hours Tue – Sun 11 am – 7 pm
Free admission

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