

OPEN CALL

Theatre of Sculptures *or*. About Creating New Cultural Space

Indian literature theorist Homi K. Bhabha (*1949) understands hybridisation as a combination of different forms, traditions, practices and identities. With that he stands against a simplistic and summary multicultural coexistence. Instead he is interested in the possibility of novelties, which arise from cross-cultural contacts and overlaps – in the autonomous third space that can come from it. In dependence on Bhabha's concept of a new cultural space, a theatre of sculptures shall develop in the course of this year in the area of the Art Chalet Vorderschuhzach, located in St.Johann im Pongau in 1000 metres altitude. This theatre is supposed to open up cultural discourse, so that novelty may arise.

The theatre-like structure will develop in a hillside semi-circle, which will enclose different sculptures, as part of the theatre and as recipients at the same time. Different events are to be hosted on the theatre stage in the summer of 2018 (readings, talks, discussions, movie screenings and so on ...).

Involving international artists and participants shall enable a connection between different art forms as well as a cross-cultural dialogue. Because the projects and creations are meant to react to the surrounding landscape and by using found materials as well as by embedding the creations in a natural environment, a dialogue between nature and culture shall happen.

The project is accompanied by a catalogue, documenting all contributions, that were created in or in relation to the theatre of sculptures. Furthermore, there is the possibility to submit other independent but related contributions to the catalogue.

Invitation to Participate & Contribute

in the context of the symposium "ART Vorderschuhzach 23. – 26. Juli 2018" and/or one of the events, taking place in the summer of 2018 in the theatre of sculptures. Contributions to the catalogue in diverse form (literary, artistic, scientific, journalistic and everything in between) are also welcome. Please send texts, pictures and so on until the 1st of October 2018 via email to the contact below.

Programme (1st of May – 30th of November)

1st – 30th of May: artists in residence, inspection & visit of the area and workspaces possible at anytime

10th – 23th of July: possibility for a stay with creative worktime, events

23th – 26th of July: symposium, events

10th of September - 25th of October: artists in residence (there are still vacancies, please apply if interested)

10th – 30th of November: final events in autumn

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