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RIGA CITY LAB PROGRAM

14-20 October, 2012

Different locations

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Welcome

New Theatre Institute of Latvia welcomes you at Riga CityLAB, October 14-20, 2012. The programme will consist of tours, lectures and discussions, taking place in different locations. Riga CityLAB will focus on diverse forms of co-existence of the urban and natural. As nature can only be properly explored *in situ*, you will be invited to join open-air tours lasting for several hours. Please be well prepared for autumn weather.

Programme

Sunday 14 October: Arrival Day			
All day		Arrival of the artists	Riga International Airport / Central Train station / Riga Bus station / Albert Hotel, Dzirnavu str. 33
Monday 15 October			
Time		Programme	Location
11:00	11:30	Welcome and programme intro with Gundega Laiviņa and Māris Olte	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
11:30	13:00	Introductory lecture by Evelīna Ozola	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
13:15	15:00	Lunch	Miit Kafe, Lāčplēša str. 10
17:00	21:00	1 st tour "Jungle" with Māris Olte and Uģis Pīterāns, incl. dinner	Departure by bus from Albert Hotel
Tuesday 16 October			
Time		Programme	Location
10:00	18:00	2nd tour "Water" with Māris Olte and Kaspars Goba, incl. lunch and boat trip	Departure by bus from Albert Hotel
19:00	21:00	Dinner	The Spicy Affair, Antonijas str.12
Wednesday 17 October			
Time		Programme	Location
11:45	12:45	Visit to Art of Resilience exhibition and meeting RIXC The Centre for New Media Culture artists	RIXC Exhibition space, 11.novembra krastmala 35
13:00	14:00	Lunch	Kitchen, Spīķeri
14:00	17:00	Valters Sīlis and Jānis Balodis about the site specific performance "Mārupīte" followed by a discussion with Kristīne Āboliņa	Departure by bus from Kitchen
17:30	19:00	3rd tour "Birds" with Māris Olte and Edmunds Račinskis	Preses nams, Balasta dambis 3
19:00	21:00	Dinner	Three Chefs restaurant, Torņa str. 4

Thursday 18 October			
Time		Programme	Location
11:00	12:40	Artist presentations: Villem Jahu/10 x 10 meters (15min), Mikhel Ernits (15min), Eva Bjork Kaaber/Kviss Bumm Bang (15min), Marcia Lanca (25min), Valters Sīlis (15min)	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
13:00	14:00	Lunch	MiiT Kafe, Lāčplēša str. 10
14:30	17:30	4th tour "Gardens" with Signe Pucena and Ivars Šmits	Departure by bus from Albert Hotel
18:30	20:00	Katrīna Neiburga introduces her projects "Press House" and "Tea Mushroom"	Kaņepes Kultūras centrs, Skolas str. 15
20:00	21:00	Dinner followed by drinks at Katrīna's place	Stockpotriga, Ģertrūdes str. 6
Friday 19 October			
Time		Programme	Location
11:00	13:00	Visit to Žanis Lipke museum with Reinis Suhanovs	Departure by bus from Albert Hotel
13:00	14:00	Lunch	Ostas skati, Ķīpsala
14:30	16:00	Discussion groups with Miha Horvat (natural), Christine Umpfenbach (constructed) and Sodja Lotker (mediated)	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
16:00	17:30	Artist presentations: Tania El Khoury / Dictaphone Group (25min), Christine Umpfenbach (15min), Via Negativa (15min), Miha Horvat (15min), Katrīna Neiburga (15min)	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
17:30	19:00	Closing session	Soros Foundation Latvia, Alberta str.13
19:15	...	Dinner	Teātra bāra restorāns, Lāčplēša str. 25
Saturday 20 October: Departure Day			
All day		Departure of artists and programmers	Riga International Airport / Central Train station / Riga Bus station

Artist presentations

As agreed in Utrecht we will try to do artist presentations with different focus-question-aspect at every lab. The theme will always be proposed by one of the artists. This time it is Miha and here is his question: First art work that made an impact on you? How did it change you and how it connects to your current artistic strategies? Miha will send you a more extensive description. Please prepare your presentations for 15 min. We have scheduled 25 min presentations for Marcia and Tania since they are with us for the first time and are welcome to present also their artistic practice and its relation to the city.

What to bring

In order to feel comfortable during the tours, please bring with you warm clothes, gloves, caps, good hiking boots, ideally also wellies and some waterproof outdoor clothes.

Projector and computer will be available in the lecture room. If you want to use it during your presentation, please bring your materials saved on a portable device or bring your own laptop. You can also bring DVDs, CDs, books, pictures, anything you like to use for your presentation.

Photo camera, recording device, smart phone, etc., for your Riga diaries.

Local travels

From Riga International Airport to Albert Hotel

We suggest taking Airport Express shuttle bus that will bring you from the Airport directly to Albert Hotel. It departs from the Airport every full and half hour and the journey lasts approximately 20 min. The ticket costs 3 Latvian Lats or 5 Euros. You can buy tickets online or from the driver (cash only, euros accepted). Last shuttle departs from the Airport at 00:30.

Info, timetable and online tickets: http://www.airbaltic.com/public/airport_express.html
Please keep your tickets and we will reimburse your money while in Riga.

From Central Train station and bus station to Albert Hotel

The easiest way to get to Albert Hotel from train and bus station is walking and it takes approximately 30 min. If you choose to travel with public transport please take trolleybus No 3 from the Central Train station. You should get out at the stop "Lāčplēša iela" and walk another 5 min down Dzirnavu street.

You can buy ticket from the driver for 70 santims.

Please check the route and timetable at: <http://www.rigassatiksmes.lv/en/>

Travel in Riga

All travels that are part of RigaLAB programme will be organised.

Hotel

Albert Hotel, Dzirnavu str. 33, Tel: +371 67331718, www.alberthotel.lv

Check-in: after 14:00 (please inform us about early arrivals and we will organise check-in for you)

Check-out: before 12:00

Breakfast: 7:00-10:30

Wi-Fi free of charge in rooms and the lobby.

Any other paid services are at your own expenses.

Meals

We will provide hot lunch and dinner every day from Monday, October 15 till Friday, October 19. Meals will be served in different places depending on the programme. Meals also include water and coffee/tee, alcoholic beverages are at your own expenses.

Weather

Please be prepared for proper North European autumn – the average day time temperature around 6 – 10 degrees, high possibility of rain and wind.

Currency

Our local currency is Latvian Lat. No Euros accepted. You can exchange money at the airport, banks or exchange points in the city or withdraw from the cash machines. Credit cards accepted in most of the places.

RigaLAB participants

Villem Jahu / 10x10m / October 13-20

Christine Umpfenbach / October 14-20

Eva Bjork Kaaber / October 14-21

Julian Hetzel / October 14-18

Špela Trošt / ViaNegativa / October 14-20

Tomaž Grom / ViaNegativa / October 14-20

Marcia Lanca / October 14-20

Tania El Khoury / October 14-20

Mihkel Ernits / October 14-20

Miha Horvat / October 14-20

Katrina Neiburga / October 15-19

Valters Silis / October 16-19

Sodja Lotker / October 14-20

Dominik Žižka / October 14-20

Rainer Hofmann / October 16-20

Tilman Broszat / October 17-20

Jon Davis / October 17-20
Annika Uprus / October 17-19
Priit Raud / October 18-19
Gundega Laivina / October 15-19

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