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Berlin Art Week 2022— A Tremendous Dedication to Art: Project Spaces and Project Collections

The Project Space Award and the Berlin Art Prize honour the importance of project spaces/Collectors welcome visitors to open houses, with performances and more

What would art be without the personal commitment of individuals and groups beyond a purely professional interest? Especially in Berlin! Project spaces and the showrooms of private collectors set their own important accents in the Berlin art landscape. The people behind them are motivated by an untiring curiosity and passion; their individual interests and preferences lend each their own distinctive profile.

PROJECT SPACES

We present two awards that spotlight the marvellous commitment of initiatives among the more than 150 project spaces all across the city.

Berlin Art Prize

What's up in the Berlin art world? The Berlin Art Prize is back. After a two-year break during the pandemic, this experimental independent award once again shows the public what Berlin's art world today has to offer.

The concept of the Berlin Art Prize is simple and yet unique. Any artist living in Berlin can apply. A jury of five chooses nominees in a largely anonymous process. The five nominees are then invited to hold a solo exhibition at one of the eight project spaces making the Berlin Art Prize in 2022 once again a large-scale collaboration project.

In 2022, the nominees are: Isabell Schulte, Spoiler Aktionsraum / Mazenett Quiroga, Lage Egal [Kimgo] / Hana Yoo, ACUD Galerie / Alicja Rogalska, Scherben / Mazen Khaddaj, Blake & Vargas / Melanie-Jame Wolf, Centrum / Bassem Saad, Peles Empire / Lucas Odahara, Die Möglichkeit einer Insel.

The official prize award ceremony with the trophy designed by Petrit Halilaj & Alvaro Urbano will take place on 15 SEP from 7–12 at Acud Galerie.

Project Space Award

With the Project Space Award, the Berlin Senate Department of Culture will for the eleventh time be honouring the work and commitment of independent project spaces and initiatives in Berlin. The prize is intended to support the city's independent project spaces and initiatives, to secure the existing diversity and make the extensive activities of artistic project spaces and initiatives more visible.

This year, the prize money of a total of 100,000 euros will be awarded on two tiers: The jury's selection for an award of 20,000 euros each: Archive Kabinett (Chiara Figon), Art-Lab Berlin at iPhonedoctor (Charlotte Bank and Salah Saouli), Videoart at Midnight (Olaf Stüber and Ivo Wessel), while the following four project spaces/initiatives will be honoured with prize money of 10,000 euros each: Hopscotch Reading Room (Siddhartha Lokanandi), SOX Berlin (Marlene Zoë Burz, Manuel Kirsch and Björn Streeck), STATIONS (Melissa Canbaz and Mihaela Chiriac) and TV Bar (Calla Henkel and Max Pitegoff).

On 16 SEP at 8 pm, the official celebration will take place at TV Bar.

PRIVATE COLLECTIONS

The fall is upon us, but in September we can expect good weather and many outdoor options. The haubrok foundation will be celebrating their summer party: together with the tenants on site a widely varying programme of new music will be developed that will lead visitors across the entire grounds with installations, live performances, and concerts. Contributors include Ari Benjamin Meyers, Ayumi Paul, and David Zink Yi.

But indoor offerings will also be provided. Visitors of the Julia Stoschek Collection can take a tour of the exhibition dominated by sound; alongside the current exhibition, the premiere of a site-specific sound performance by the multi-disciplinary artist Fa' Pawaka and the artist collective >Labour< will be presented. At Salon Dahlmann, the collections of Timo Miettinen and Florian

Peters-Messer will encounter and interweave under the poetic title ›And I Trust You‹. Fluentum presents the group exhibition Kino and the Kienzle Art Foundation will be showing ›The Fiction of Property II‹.

Several other private collections will be holding an open house on select days during Berlin Art Week. The Boros Collection will open its doors for visitors to the ›Boros Collection/Bunker Berlin #4‹ and the EAM Collection will be hosting a charming French breakfast to mark their exhibition ›Seven Avantgardes—Seven Utopias‹. Kunsthaus der Achim Freyer Stiftung this year will be opening its doors for the first time during Berlin Art Week, and Sammlung Ivo Wessel will present itself at its new spaces at Taut Haus on Engelbecken.

The Feuerle Collection will be hosting the opening of its first special exhibition of ›Edmund de Waal and Unseen Pieces from the Feuerle Collection‹ and for the final Sunday of Berlin Art Week invites guests to participate in World Cleanup Day: directly outside the building on the banks of the Landwehrkanal those interested can get involved.

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With ten select special projects, **the new ›BAW Featured‹** will present special artistic interventions with new perspectives on urban space: Voices of Art, Stiftung Neue Kunst Berlin-Brandenburg, and CCA Berlin dedicate their spaces to contemporary Ukrainian art. The Fairest offers an alternative model of the art fair. At Musée de la Fraise, a colony of strawberry huts becomes an exhibition-staging while at Humboldt Forum the Berlin artist collective Slavs & Tartars celebrates the entire building for 24 hours straight. Also in the Featured programme: LAS Light Art Space, Art'Us (Kühlhaus), Räume 3 and Kvost.

Don't forget to register for our preview tours, 12 SEP in German, 13 SEP in English. To register, send an email to baw@luz-communication.de

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Berlin Art Week. Art happens here. Each year in September: exhibitions and other forms of art presentation, projects and performances, screenings, talks, and many encounters all in the spirit of art. For five days, the city's important players in the art world present a widely ranging festival programme of contemporary art. Museums and other institutions, galleries all across the city and at the art fair, private collections and project spaces: they all have their chance to shine. Art experts and art aficionados, artists and curators, Berliners and guests from around the world: they all celebrate art. In Berlin, art is not just made, it lives.

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