



PRESS RELEASE

INTERNATIONAL GUERRILLA VIDEO FESTIVAL DUBLIN 2009

19-20 February 2009

Time 5:00-10:00pm

Various sites in Dublin see www.igvfest.com for details

In association with Open Spaces, a Dublin City Council Arts Initiative

The International Guerrilla Video Festival (IGVFest) is a mobile exhibition of video art that will be held 19-20 February in three unique areas of the Dublin: Talbot Street and Parnell Street (19 February), Rathmines (20 February). Using a converted rickshaw, the moving festival navigates the city stopping to project films directly on to buildings, monuments and temporary structures, illuminating the urban landscape with videos from over 50 artists.

The festival aims to counter the growth of ever-present billboards and advertising screens that have transformed the urban setting into a homogeneous landscape, extending from New York to Shanghai. The international and local artists in the festival engage the distinct social and architectural character of each site, creating videos that relate directly to the area and its inhabitants. Many of the participating international artists have situated their works in a context similar to a site in Dublin. The relationship between the two sites in different cities could be based on a shared local issue, the economic or ethnic composition of the community, or just the indescribable feeling of being in a certain place. The videos engage this common connection among neighborhoods that traverses geographic and lingual boundaries, through this solidarity an 'archipelago' begins to emerge that re-defines what it means to be a neighbor.

The traveling festival has previously been held in Florence and Milan, the 2009 Dublin edition is part of the program of Open Spaces, a Dublin City Council Arts Initiative. Open Spaces is a unique series of partnered events, talks and critical response through which Dublin City Council aims to stimulate dialogue, inspire new thought and suggest creative partnerships to support artists engagement with Dublin's open spaces. Open Spaces seeks to explore the possibilities of innovative contemporary arts practice in the city.

Artists

Alessandra Arnó, Fred Adam & Veronica Perales, Ismail Bahri, Olive Barrett & Louise Marlborough, Fletcher Boote, Michał Brezeziński, Mark Clare, Patrick Corcoran, Sergio Cruz, Antóin Doyle, Sarah Evans, Fan Liu, Áire Ní Fhaoláin, Roch Forowicz, Raquel Frieria, Cristina Garrido & Nuria Guell, Shimrit Golan, Mihai Grecu, Sandra Issacson, Stephan Koeperl & Sylvia Winkler, Jay Koh, Tatjana de Luxe, Eva Marosy-Weide, Sinéad Mc Cann & Naomi Sex, Conor McGarrigle, Katia Meneghini, Valentina Vetturi & Vera Uberti, Wrik Mead, Julie Meyer, Maarit Murka, Niall O'Connor, Kelly O'Connor, Jean-Gabriel Périot, El Plan, Tim Portlock, Jaime Quinto, Romain Sein, Mehrdad Shikhan, Stefan Riebel, Marike Schuurman, Tracy Staunton, Seán Taylor, Hui-Ying Tsai, Anan Tzuckerman, Wang Aofei, WAZA, Winstan Whitter, Zorka Wollny, OOZOOS (Nicky Seok H. Won, Jua Kwon, Eun Hye Chae).

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