## KGB-KUNSTWOCHE

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# Kom munale Gale rien Berlin

# PRESS INFORMATION

For Berlin Art Week, the Kommunalen Galerien in Berlin (Berlin Municipal Galleries) present KGB-KUNSTWOCHE with exhibitions, tours, lectures, workshops and concerts by over 200 artists from every Berlin district from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of September.

There is enormous cultural and artistic diversity in Berlin, whether painting, graphics, photography, sculpture, installation, video or performance. A lively creativity — beyond that of the big exhibitions, and independent of the art market — can be discovered each day in every single district. The foundation and essence of such artistic work is often local and decentralised, and that is exactly the focus of Kommunale Galerien in Berlin in KGB-KUNSTWOCHE. The 29 art spaces unite for the first time to offer a comprehensive overview of their varied programmes during Berlin Art Week.

The KGB-KUNSTWOCHE artistic spectrum ranges from digital art, light installations in urban space, and neighbourhood documentation to photographic portraits, architectural studies and individual sound and space research, as well as a fair for contemporary art. Individual exhibitions and projects are complemented by numerous accompanying events such as dance performances, tours, concerts and children's workshops.

### Springboard into the art world

An essential driver and active promoter of the creative process and experimentation, Berlin's municipal galleries facilitate artistic production and participation — structure and content — as well as cultural exchange and discourse. They are frequently debut spaces for Berlin-based artists and act as a springboard into the international art scene. The 29 municipal galleries represent a total of 3500 square metres of exhibition space and present approx. 1000 artists annually in up to 200 shows.

The concluding KGB-KUNSTWOCHE event on the **20**<sup>th</sup> of September, **2014** in Studio 1, Kunstquartiers Bethanien will be opened by the State Secretary for Cultural Affairs, Tim Renner. This inaugural **KGB-KUNSTNACHT** commences with an exhibition by Matthias Beckmann, who toured the

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municipal galleries an made drawings of each. Later, stand-out artist bands such as Herr Blum, Miss Le Bomb, Neoangin and UNMAP play at the party. All those from politics and culture as well as artists and anyone interested in the culture of this city are invited.

A detailed KGB-KUNSTWOCHE programme and individual galleries can be found at www.kgberlin.net.

### **KGB-KUNSTWOCHE**

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**Dates** 12 - 21 September 2014

KGB-KUNSTNACHT Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2014
7:00 PM Opening with Tim Renner, State Secretary for Cultural Affairs:

KGB - Matthias Beckmann undercover
8:00 PM Party, Live on Stage: Herr Blum, Miss Le Bomb, Neoangin, UNMAP and others
Studio 1, Kunstquartier Bethanien, Mariannenplatz 2, 10997 Berlin

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