

Muscle Memory Program

Exhibition dates: 01.04 – 11.06.2017

Location: Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien, Mariannenplatz 2, 10997 Berlin

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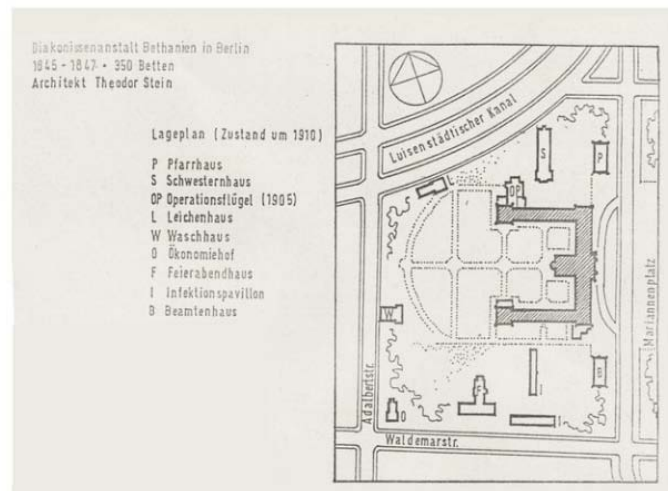
The exhibition "Muscle Memory" is a multi-layered investigation into the notion of muscle memory, which is defined in neuroscience as a type of movement that becomes familiar to the muscles through repetition over time. It gives a metaphorical approach to how structures of power create and manipulate the memories of individuals through the biological mechanisms of their very own bodies. In doing so, the exhibition revisits the historical background of the Bethanien Hospital building as the 'body' of the project, incorporating the building and its vicinity into the exhibition as an embodiment of the muscle memory.

In 1905, the former Bethanien Diagnosis Center opened an extended wing to be used as the Operation Unit, which is now known as the Kunstraum Kreuzberg/Bethanien. In this regard, the operation room will house the exhibition. During events in the public program, the exhibition will restage the former morgue (Leichenhaus), washhouse (Waschhaus), Ökonomiehof, infection unit (Infektionspavillon), and Feierabendhaus that were previously located in the Bethanien garden in 1905.

The exhibition invites the **Field Kitchen Academy**, a mobile platform for alternative information production, for the public program with neuroscientists, contemporary dancers, Zen Masters, kinesiologists, parkour training, and cooking actions to delve deeper into the political, social, and corporeal connotations of muscle memory.

Artists: Adel Abidin, Jenny Baines, Maja Bajevic, Marcio Carvalho, Cevdet Erek, Ingo Gerken, Gözde İlkin, Marisa Maza, Ahmet Ögüt, Sophia Pompery, Svenja Schöffler and Vahit Tuna.

Curator: Ece Pazarbaşı



* All events will be in English.

** Meeting point for all events is Kunstraum Kreuzberg/ Bethanien

DOCTORS, NURSES AND ARTISTS – ARTISTS' TALK

1/4/2017, 7PM FORMER

LOCATION: OPERATION WING
(KUNSTRAUM KREUZBERG/
BETHANIEN)

Artists talk with the participation of **Adel Abidin, Jenny Baines, Marcio Carvalho, Ingo Gerken, Gözde İlkin, Marisa Maza, Ahmet Ögüt, Sophia Pompery, Svenja Schöffler** and **Vahit Tuna**.
Moderation: **Ece Pazarbaşı**