

art forum berlin 2009
September 24 to September 27
Opening September 23

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New international Selection Committee of art forum berlin

Berlin, November 25, 2008 - art forum berlin has appointed a new international Selection Committee. Its members include Bärbel Grässlin (Galerie Bärbel Grässlin, Frankfurt), José Freire (team (gallery, New York), Nicky Verber (Herald St, London) and Paolo Zani (Zero, Milan). Mehdi Chouakri (Galerie Mehdi Chouakri, Berlin) and Georg Kargl (Georg Kargl Fine Arts, Vienna), who were already members on the previous board, will continue their work on this new committee. This will assure continuity, and will also underline the role of art forum berlin as a premium event for contemporary art. The appointment of these acclaimed and experienced gallery owners represents a change from the previous system, which consisted of an advisory board and a selection committee rotating on an annual basis. Both boards will now be replaced by a single Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee advises the art forum berlin on strategy and conceptual questions. It is responsible for selecting the galleries to take part in art forum berlin 2009, which will be taking place from Thursday, 24 to Sunday, 27 September (with the opening for invited guests on Wednesday, 23 September 2009). As of next year, the international art show will again be the first in a series of European art fairs.

Two experts will be assisting the Selection Committee in choosing galleries to participate in the section for young galleries. They are Robert Meijer (Galerie Lüttgenmeijer, Berlin) and Jocelyn Wolff (Galerie Jocelyn Wolff, Paris).

The Show Management wishes to thank the previous committee's members for their outstanding work over many years: Patricia Asbaek, (Galerie Asbæk, Copenhagen), Elizabeth Dee, (Elizabeth Dee, New York), Stella Lohaus, (Stella Lohaus Gallery, Antwerp) and Gerd Harry Lybke (Eigen + Art, Berlin/Leipzig).

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