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PRESS INFORMATION

Berlin Municipal Galleries are proud to present **KGB-Kunstwoche** in 28 galleries across Berlin's twelve districts **from August 30 to September 8, 2019**.

Over the last six years, **KGB-Kunstwoche** has become an established and popular part of Berlin's autumn art program. The municipal galleries are diverse, creative locations. With their keen grasp of social issues and professional curatorial practices, they play an important role in promoting and bringing visibility to artists in the capital city.

This year, a number of exhibitions focus on women in art to mark the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage, including "KLASSE DAMEN!" in Schloss Biesdorf, and "vier x drei: Bauhaus" in projektraum alte feuerwache. In other shows, a variety of current social themes are examined – questions about change, for example, and the longing for simplicity and nature.

The city-wide art festival is complemented by a varied **event program**:

Three guided **KGB Bus Tours** on **September 1** offer visitors a fun, comfortable way to view selected exhibitions in a number of districts and gain a deeper insight into each gallery's program priorities. Another highlight is the **KGB Thematic Evening, "Kultur in nervösen Zeiten" (Culture in Uncertain Times)** on **September 4** at the **alte feuerwache – studiobühne und projektraum**. This year's focus is on **DIE VIELEN** group: artists and active members of the cultural scene who have joined forces in local and national networks to work for freedom of art and diversity in society. Participants discuss the question of how art and culture can address racism and the erosion of democracy.

Our now-legendary concert night, **KGB Sounds – Artists' Band Night**, presents four exciting bands live on stage at **Ballhaus Berlin** on **September 7**. As always, the artists featured are as active in the music scene as they are in the visual arts: The SchnickSchnack, Kinky Muppet, Schrottplatz der Gefühle, Der Plan and DJ Marlene Stark.

Berlin's municipal galleries occupy a total of 10,000 m² of exhibition space and present up to 200 shows per year with around 1200 artists. Full details of **KGB Art Week 2019** as well as individual municipal galleries are available at www.kgberlin.net.

Admission is free to all events

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KGB Kunstwoche 2019
Berlin Municipal Galleries Art Week from August 30 to September 8, 2019

KGB Bus Tours

Sunday, September 1, 2019, 2 – 7:00 p.m.

Three bus tours cover several districts, stopping at either five or six galleries. The tours start in front of Franziskaner Klosterkirche ruins (Klosterstr. 73a, 10179 Berlin) at 2:00 p.m. and end with a get together at Schloss Biesdorf in Marzahn-Hellersdorf around five hours later. Registration by **August 26, 2019 at:** mail@kgberlin.net

KGB Thematic Evening

Wednesday, September 4, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Culture in Uncertain Times “Kultur in nervösen Zeiten” – An Evening with DIE VIELEN

Panel guests:

Moritz Frei, artist, Berlin

Christiane Mennicke-Schwarz, director, Kunsthaus Dresden

Mathies Rau, dramaturge, Piccolo Theater Cottbus

Gerhild Steinbuch, Professor of language arts, University of Applied Arts Vienna

Stephan Trüby, Professor of architectural and cultural theory, University of Stuttgart

Moderation:

Stéphane Bauer, Nadia Pilchowski, Raul Walch

alte feuerwache – studiobühne und projektraum,

Marchlewskistr. 6, 10243 Berlin, U5 Weberwiese

KGB Sounds – Artists’ Band Night

Saturday, September 7, 2019, 8:30 p.m.

Bands: The SchnickSchnack, Kinky Muppet, Schrottplatz der Gefühle, Der Plan

DJ: Marlene Stark

Ballhaus Berlin, Chausseestr. 102, 10115 Berlin, U6 Naturkundemuseum

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