

STORIES OF BERLIN



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Tomáš Kajánek Lotte Reimann Marc Samper

Lotte Reimann

Lotte Reimann explores the concept of human desire in her* video »Beyond«. During her* stay in Berlin (4 to 9/2021) she* conducted interviews with Berliners about sexual desires and practices and how in Western societies these are intertwined with the concept of »nature«. The interview excerpts are visually accompanied by an archival collection of partly monochrome and partly colour-distorted photographic images from the internet, showing human bodies in close-up, bees, plants, landscapes, and interiors.

The culturally »enlightening« narrative about love and reproduction »The Birds and the Bees« is revisited and playfully de-familiarised. The juxtaposition of these narratives and the colour changes of the images open up associative spaces that stimulate reflection on the diversity of identity, love, and desire.

Biography

Lotte Reimann (she*/none) is a queer artist researcher and teacher, currently based in Berlin. She* works on conceptual photographic narratives about corporeality that subvert the colonial historical concept of the fetish—the view on the »others«. Central to the investigations are the relationships of humans to non-humans, such as water, stones, animals, plants, and other things. Lotte's work has been exhibited in venues such as the Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, De Appel, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Rencontres d'Arles, Museum Arnhem, Marta Herford.

Image: Lotte Reimann, 2023

Fresh A.I.R. FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Fresh A.I.R. is the artist-in-residence programme of the Foundation Berliner Leben. It was established to support emerging artists from across Europe, to foster their creative development, to present their art to a broad audience, and to advance their careers on an international level. Since its inception in 2018, Fresh A.I.R. has hosted and promoted **98 artists** from **27 countries**. Over **400 people** from Berlin have contributed to the artistic projects as well as **104 places** that were at the center of the artists' engagement with Berlin's urban space.

We are proud of the development and growth of our programme! And we will continue to realise our vision in the years to come. To mark our **5th year of existence**, we cordially invite you to visit our Fresh A.I.R. anniversary exhibition »**STORIES OF BERLIN**«.

The exhibition features video-artistic works by three former Fresh A.I.R. fellows who were active in Berlin between 2020 and 2022. In their videos, **Tomáš Kajánek** (CZE), **Lotte Reimann** (GER) and **Marc Samper** (ESP) explore the past and present of Berlin and its inhabitants and open up sensitive approaches to subcultures and offline realities. Surprising confessions as well as unique insights into the family archives allow the viewers to enter areas that mostly remain unnoticed by the mainstream media. In this way, some new sides of Berlin and its inhabitants can be discovered.

You want to see some real Berlin? Come and drop by. It's waiting for you.

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Exhibition at the Project Space of **URBAN NATION**
Museum for Urban Contemporary Art

Bülowstr. 97

10783 Berlin

26/8/2023

6 p.m. Exhibition Opening on the occasion of the
Long Night of Museums Berlin

Opening hours

Tue + Wed 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Thu - Sun 12 - 8 p.m.

Closed on Mondays

Fresh A.I.R.

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