

PRESS RELEASE

Occupy Atopos #FYTA

Curator: Vassilis Zidianakis and Fil leropoulos

Opening // Sunday, October 8, 2017 at 19:00 Duration // 8-13 October, 2017

ATOPOS CVC // 72 Salaminos str., Metaxourgeio, Athens (nearest Metro stations Kerameikos and Metaxourgeio)

Entrance free

As part of the Occupy Atopos project, the conceptual art duo FYTA are occupying the premises of Atopos cvc for a week of creative disorder. To celebrate five years since its inception, FYTA are organising an exhibition of their work that will also include performances, lectures and discussions from October 8 until October 13. The exhibition will include artworks by FYTA, pieces from their personal archive and portraits of the duo by various artists. The week will start with an interactive happening on October 8 during which their hot-off-the-press *The Black Book of FYTA* [Nefeli Publications, Ed. by Athanasios Anagnostopoulos] will be launched. The book includes texts on politics in art by academics and artists from Greece and the UK.

About FYTA

FYTA's work deals with identity politics, questions of avant-garde art in times of crisis and the possibility of political activism through creative means. Their work has been exhibited in Greece, the UK, Germany and Switzerland. FYTA are currently working as curators for the Athens Biennale 2018.

About OCCUPY ATOPOS

Occupy Atopos is an exhibition programme curated by Vassilis Zidianakis that takes place at the premises at Atopos, 72 Salaminos street. The aim of the programme is to observe and assist in a supportive way the creative process and progress of contemporary artists and curators. The participants are invited to reside in Atopos cvc and present their work through exhibitions, site specific installations, murals, zines, talks and videos or performances. Occupy Atopos has hosted photographer Ren Hang, artist-critic Clo'e Floirat and Parisbased fashion curator Lydia Kamitsis, amongst others. From September 2016 to July 2017, Atopos cvc collaborated with documenta 14 with the Occupy Atopos Residency programme.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 8, 2017 Starting time 19:00 Opening Event

FYTA will be signing copies of "The Black Book of FYTA" + performances and installation with the participation of: Manos Bazanis, Mariza Tsari, Kostis Stafylakis, Anastasia Diavasti, Fatnut da gamba, Michael Veritopoulos. Despina Sevasti etc

Monday, October 9, 2017 Starting time: 19:00



"Pokemon Poetry"

Poetry slam/spoken-word evening and discussion on hybrid creative media and the obscure poetics of the digital era.

Tuesday, October 10, 2017 Starting time: 19:00

"From FYTA to FYTINI"

Presentation on the question "what is queer music" by musicologist Nikos Vourdoulas and discussion with guests. Also, selections of post-punk and avant-garde vinyl records by Filtig.

Wednesday, October 11, 2017 Starting time: 19:00

"Elements of patriotism, nationalism and neofolk in contemporary art"

Panel and discussion with Sofia Bempeza, Panayis Panagiotopoulos, Despina Sevasti, Kostis Stafylakis

Thursday, October 12, 2017 Starting time: 19:00

"Salad Babies"

Pre-finissage and varieté-herbarium featuring ActiVista, Yorgos Kalogeropoulos, Baby, Kangela Tromokratisch, Evi Tsaklanou, Dame Ovale and others.

Friday, October 13, 2017 Starting time:19:00 Closing Event

A tour at the show with FYTA who will share with the audience saucy stories from the world of contemporary art.

*All the presentations and the discussions will take place in Greek.

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