

VIENNA, NOVEMBER 8-10, 2018

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Museum of Modern Art Foundation Ludwig Vienna

GENEALOGY OF AMNESIA

Crushing Silences,

Constructing Histories

A symposium on the silencing of colonialism, anti-Semitism, and contemporary turbo-fascist nationalism in Belgium, Austria, and the former Yugoslavia. Re-examining counter-memory and counter-history projects, interventions, and processes of resistance in order to open up spaces for new directions in politics, futurity, and collective struggles. Organized by the FWF-project "Genealogy of Amnesia," developed at the Studio of Conceptual Art (PCAP), Institute of Fine Arts, Academy of Fine Arts Vienna.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018

MUMOK CINEMA

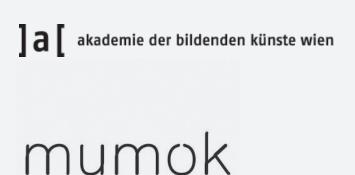
MUSEUMSPLATZ 1, BASEMENT, 1070 VIENNA

17.30-18.00

>> Opening: Eva Blimlinger (Rector of the Academy of Fine Arts Vienna), Marina Gržinić (Genealogy of Amnesia, head of research) and Sophie Uitz (GoA, researcher)

18.00-19.30

- >> **Gloria Wekker** (Utrecht University): A Genealogy of Amnesia in Europe
- >> Gloria Wekker in conversation with Birgit Sauer (University of Vienna)



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This symposium is organized as part of the arts- and theory-based research project "Genealogy of Amnesia: Rethinking the Past for a New Future of Conviviality," funded by the Austrian Science Fund FWF, project number AR439.



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2018

MUMOK CINEMA

MUSEUMSPLATZ 1, BASEMENT, 1070 VIENNA

10.00-13.00

- >> Marina Gržinić (Academy of Fine Arts Vienna): Introduction. Burdened by the past, re-thinking the future
- >> Collectif Mémoire Coloniale et Lutte contre les Discriminations (Brussels): The Challenges of De-Colonial Movements – The Afrodescendants Facing the Colonial Denial and the Mutations of the Colonial Propaganda in Belgium
- >> Sophie Lillie (Vienna): The Burden of Proof.

 How Negligence, Incompetence and Anti-Semitism

 Shaped Art Restitution Policies in Post-War Austria

15.00-16.00

>> Araba Evelyn Johnston-Arthur (Howard University, Washington DC): (Re)membering Resistances in the African Diaspora in post-Nazi Austria as "Counteramnesic Practice"

16.15-19.00

protests a few months earlier. (© Adla Isanović 2014)

- >> **Filmscreening** *The Waldheim Waltz* (directed by Ruth Beckermann, Austria 2018, 93 min.)
- >> Ruth Beckermann (Vienna) in conversation with Michael Loebenstein (Austrian Filmmuseum Vienna)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018

MUMOK LOUNGE

Museumsplatz 1, 5^{TH} floor, 1070 Vienna

10.00-13.00

- >> Sefik Tatlić (Academy of Fine Arts Vienna):
 "New" Fascism. The Aftermath of the
 Europeanization of Western Balkans and the
 Necropolitics of Historical Revisionism
- >> Pedro Monaville (New York University Abu Dhabi): Between Hauntology and Memory Work. The global afterlives of Belgian colonialism
- >> Shirley Anne Tate (Leeds Beckett University):
 Love for the Dead: The Libidinal Economy of
 Post-race Conviviality

15.00-18.30

- >> **Sophie Uitz** (Academy of Fine Arts Vienna): Rethinking Politics, Memory and History after Totalitarianism
- >> Max Silverman (University of Leeds):
 Palimpsestic Memory, Ethics and Performance
- >> Nejra Nuna Čengić (New Europe College
- Bucharest): What Happened, Happened!

 >>> Ruth Wodak (Lancaster University and University)
- of Vienna) and **Markus Rheindorf** (University of Vienna): Austrian Identity after WWII: Contested Narratives and Lingering Silences

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** Image 2: "We are occupied again," park opposite of City Hall, Sarajevo, June 28, 2014. During a major commemorative event organized by several EU countries to mark the one-hundredth anniversary of the start of World War I, a small group of protesters, wearing Gavrilo Princip's masks, gathered to express disagreement with the present situation. Under the mottos "We are occupied again," "If Gavrilo were alive today, he would be protesting with us" and carrying banners with slogans, such as: "We are under occupation again—by fascism, capitalism, nationalism, the EU and the international community..." they attempted to point to the situation in Bosnia, which had inspired social

>> Image 1: On the 8th of July 1986, a wooden horse was placed on Vienna's Stephansplatz, furnished with an SA-hat and SA-band. It was Austrian president Kurt Waldheim's inauguration day.

>> Image 3: Protest against the celebration of the 150th birthday of Leopold II's enthronement, December 2015, Brussels, Place du Trône (© Pierre Wachholder 2015)