

PRESS RELEASE

SATELLITE BERLIN – Art in collaboration
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Food culture as a cultural good in the past, present and future
Think tank and event series.

We consume, eat, garden, harvest, cook, manipulate, breed, kill, poison and destroy. The cycles in agriculture and food production are complicated and sometimes absurd, our botanical inheritance is manipulated. We are witnessing sociological changes and lifestyle diseases brought by mass industry manufactured food production and consumption. All this seems to stand opposite to the growing desire for a natural world with regional, organic and artisan foods, the *Slowfood* and urban gardening movement and the preservation of biodiversity. All subjects seem discussed as independent, not related matters in the areas of agriculture, art, literature, science, health, education, philosophy and politics.

Our project desires to explore food culture as a cultural good in the past, present and future and illuminate the connections and relationship of the diverse fields. With this new module, SATELLITE BERLIN aims to create a dialogue, in which these approaches find a far-reaching level of reflection and acting beyond the mere presentation of the phenomena.

Together with experts from the various fields mentioned, we invite to discover and discuss about food culture as a cultural good. Our goal is to bundle competence, exchange knowledge and foster a disposition of open attitude towards forming transdisciplinary collaborations. Our platform gives the opportunity to deepen the collective thoughts about cultural and social developments. We used our own competence to approach not only institutions, but also individuals within to ask for their commitment to support this projects with their enthusiasm and knowledge.

VITAL FORCES- FOOD IN CONTEXT is an event series, including lectures, table talks, workshops or excursions and will take place at different event locations, starting in 2017. Our aspiration is to have this module run at least one year to develop formats, which can be taken on by collaborating institutions and/or lead to a long term continuation of the project. The number of attendees/guests varies depending on the kind of event and the involvement of the collaboration partners. For table talks, workshops and excursions we will estimate a small participation/entrance fee to cover expenses. Lectures are free.

Leading director *VITAL FORCES- FOOD IN CONTEXT* is food designer Inés Lauber. Inés studied industrial design in Potsdam, followed by an internship with the Dutch eating designer Marije Vogelzang, which convinced her that food is a thrilling and trending topic in terms of conceptual thinking, being tied to so many aspects of life. In the past several years, Inés designed and conceptualized numerous installations, thematic pop-up restaurants, exhibitions and guerilla performances around the topic of food and food production. With her interdisciplinary approach, her creative thinking, and her extensive network in the field, she brings most valuable experience to lead this module.

All upcoming events are announced online on our calendar at
<http://www.satelliteberlin.org/calendar.html>



Facts:

Project time:
Jan – Dec 2017

Location: Varies

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The three main ideas:
*I. Food Culture Through the
Ages*
Jan – April 2017

II. Forgotten Tastes
May – Aug 2017

III. Nature and Resources:
Earth, Water, Air
Sept – Dec 2017

Collaboration Partners:

Diderot, Food culture and
history, Berlin

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