



20TH ANNIVERSARY

CYNETART – INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL FOR COMPUTER BASED ART

10TH – 16TH NOVEMBER 2016, DRESDEN

PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT

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Trans-Media-Akademie Hellerau e.V. presents:

20 years: CYNETART 2016 – International festival for computer based art and trans-disciplinary projects

Winner of the CYNETART competition 2016

- CARLA CHAN wins the award of the Saxon Minister of State for Science and Art 2016, donated with 10.000 €, for her installation ‚When a circle meets the sky‘.
http://www.cynetart.org/2016/competition-Carla_Chan-When_A_Circle_Meets_the_Sky.php?l=en
- The artist-in-residence-scholarship of the Saxon Ministry of State 2016, awarded in cooperation with the Office of Cultural and Historic Preservation, City of Dresden, for the realization of a project in the year 2017, which is endowed with up to 10.200 €, goes to the artwork ‚Quader‘ by JULIUS STAHL.
http://www.cynetart.org/2016/competition-Julius_Stahl-Quader.php?l=en
- KASPER LECNIM wins the CYNETART Award of the Ostsächsische Sparkasse Dresden, donated with 5.000 €.
http://www.cynetart.org/2016/competition-Kasper_Lecnim-Remission.php?l=en

The CYNETART competition is published every two years by the Transmedia Akademie Hellerau e.V. This year, 428 individual artists and artistgroups with 58 nationalities from 47 countries have applied for the CYNETART competition. Ten of them have won a multi-stage selection against the other competitors and will be shown until the 16th of November with their works in the exhibition of this year's CYNETART festival at the Festspielhaus Hellerau. A five-member jury, consisting of international experts in media art, has reviewed and evaluated their works.

The jurymembers are: Gina Czarnecki (UK, artist und scientist), Edwin van der Heide (NL, artist, composer und scientist), Kyle Chung (Hong Kong, curator und scientific assistant at the School of Creative Media, City University of Hong Kong), Stephane Aquin (US, chief-curator of the Smithsonian Hirschhorn Museum Washington) und Naut Humon (US, curator und producer, Recombinant Media Labs CineChamber).

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The CYNETART Festival is an event organized by the Trans-Media Academy Hellerau e.V. in cooperation with: HELLERAU – European Center for the Arts Dresden and the European networking and cooperation project SHAPE Plattform.

From 10th to 16th of November 2016 the CYNETART – International Festival for computer-based art and transdisciplinary projects takes place at Festspielhaus HELLERAU. The festival offers exhibitions, lectures, masterclasses, workshops and performances as well as transdisciplinary projects and concerts. The anniversary theme is "The Enigmatic Moment".

This year's festival is both a reflection of the contemporary spirit as well as a reinvention of the presentation in a special artistic orientation and quality. But above all, it is an invitation to the audience to discover new and old in a special way. The CYNETART, which has been held since 1997, is dedicated to cultural reflection. The focus is not so much on the performance spectrum of new technologies, but rather on their cultural potential for mediation and the bridging between intuition, craftsmanship, aesthetics and narrative.

20 YEARS. REMEMBER ME

The CYNETART team has been working intensively on the past in recent months. The program 20 YEARS REMEMBER ME, which is an online event, is a showcase for the 20 th anniversary of the festival. Various artists are interviewed in the form of videos, audios or articles.

SHAPE – Sound, Heterogeneous Art and Performance in Europe, SHAPE Showcases Dresden

The CYNETART festival is part of the EU platform project for innovative music and audio-visual art – SHAPE (Sound, Heterogeneous Art and Performance in Europe). 16 european festivals and art associations support the european young artists and present them in the festival framework.

SHAPE performances will be presented by Trans-Media-Akademie Hellerau and its CYNETART festival 2016 as well as at the DAVE Festival | Dresden Audiovisual Experience in cooperation with DS-X.org Depart. The project is co-financed by the European Union's Credentials program.

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