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Perform, Discuss, Celebrate: (e)merge art fair Programming and Events

Washington, D.C. (September 17, 2013) -- (e)merge announces the programming and events schedule for the 2013 edition of the fair. Complementing the exhibitor and artist selections and delivering on the art fair's aspiration to offer insider access to the newest art world talent and trends, the event program will include a robust series of weekend-long happenings including panel discussions, performances, and special projects. (e)merge art fair takes place **October 3-6, 2013 at the Capitol Skyline Hotel in Washington, DC.**

The 2013 edition of (e)merge offers an event and performance schedule that will energize public spaces and engage visitors in an immersive art experience. The program will include 27 performance pieces as well as five, day-long art actions for a total of 34 artists performing over the duration of the fair.

Beginning with the kick-off party on Thursday, October 3, 2013 from 7-11pm, the opening night of (e)merge offers early VIP access and a poolside concert with **MIAMOUNA YOUSSEF** and **John Thornley of U.S. Royalty** for a celebration that's not to be missed.

A series of experiential events are planned to take place throughout the duration of the fair weekend. These include viewer participatory art actions that use fair goers as source material, performance pieces by notable and experimental artists, and the 2013 special video lounge project presented by **Blink Media Art**.

In addition to performance based events, fairgoers will have the opportunity to attend **CONNECT & COLLECT**, insightful panel discussions moderated by Artist **Silvana Straw** and Director of the Center for the Study of Modern Art and Curator at Large, The Phillips Collection **Klaus Ottmann**. The panel discussions aim to inform audiences and facilitate conversation amongst select art world insiders including collectors, curators, and organizational directors.

(e)merge opens October 3-6, 2013 at The Capitol Skyline hotel.

Performances + Art Actions

Art fair attendees will have many opportunities to experience daily, ongoing performances throughout the duration of the fair. These are scheduled throughout the fair at designated times and locations. For a schedule of performance times and locations, visit:

<http://www.emergeartfair.com/programs/>

CONNECT & COLLECT Panel Discussions

Emphasizing the theme for (e)merge 2013, panel discussions CONNECT produced in collaboration with the Transformer FRAMEWORK Panel series, and COLLECT presented by The Washington Post are scheduled for Friday and Saturday.

CONNECT will be a conversation with national arts leaders exploring how artists can build communities to support their practice, with Moderator **Silvana Straw**, the Washington DC artist, organizer and adviser, and a panel including: **Abigail Satinsky**, Associate Director, Threewalls (Chicago); **James McAnally**, artistic collaborator, US English, and Co-Director, The Luminary (St. Louis); **Ryan Frank**, Installation Manager, The Wassaic Project, (Wassaic); and **Margaret Boozer**, Director, Red Dirt Studios (Washington, DC). October 4, 2 PM, Room 1.

COLLECT offers institutional and private perspectives in a discussion on collecting works by emerging artists, with Moderator **Klaus Ottmann**, Director of the Center for the Study of Modern Art and Curator at Large, The Phillips Collection (Washington, DC) and Panelists: **Mika Yoshitake**, Assistant Curator, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden (Washington, DC); **Tony Podesta**, collector (Washington, DC); and **Marina Galvani**, Curator, the World Bank Art Program (Washington, DC). October 5, 2 PM, Room 1.

Catch Up

Podcasts of the previous year's (e)merge panel discussions are available for download at <http://www.emergeartfair.com/programs/>

Special Projects

Blink Media Art presents the 2013 Special Projects **Video Lounge**. Presenting work by **Mel Brimfield** (United Kingdom), **Stefan Constantinescu** (Romania), **Dennis Feser/Karin Then** (Germany), **Romeo Grünfelder** (Germany), **Julia Charlotte Richter** (Germany), **Susanna Wallin** (Sweden/United Kingdom) in daily rotation. October 3-6, 12-7 PM, Room 4.

Opening Night Celebration

Thursday night's preview party begins with early public access to exhibitors and hotel grounds opening at a 7 PM. Start the party in The District Lounge, the swanky 60s style pool-adjacent lounge with an Absolut (e)merge signature cocktail, take in the first of the weekend's outstanding lineup of performance art pieces, and meet local and international artists exhibiting

in the fair. The poolside concert begins at 9 PM, with **MIAMOUNA YOUSSEF** performing a live set and **John Thornley** of **U.S. Royalty** DJing. [Purchase tickets here.](#)

Fair Hours and Admission

Opening Preview

> Thursday, October 3:

7pm - 9pm: Preview Party

9pm - 11pm: Concert by the Pool with MIAMOUNA YOUSSEF (live set) and John Thornley of U.S. Royalty (DJ set)

Fair Hours

> Friday, October 4: 12pm – 7pm

> Saturday, October 5: 12pm – 7pm

> Sunday, October 6: 12pm – 5pm

Admission

Opening Preview: \$35 advance purchase, \$50 at the door

Daily: Friday, October 4- Sunday, October 6th:

Adults: \$15

Students & Seniors: \$10 (at the door)

Groups of 10 or more: \$10 (each)

Friday, October 4: 12-3pm

Students with valid ID: Free Admission

(e)merge art fair Location

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