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INVITATION TO NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIA:
REFRACTED REALITIES: VIDEONALE.17 - FESTIVAL FOR
VIDEO AND TIME-BASED ART FORMS

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Dear Natalia Mount,

Within the framework of the International Visitors Programme of the cultural funding organisation NRW KULTURsekretariat, we would like to invite you to North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) from **20th to 24th of February 2019** to take part in the event **trip** "Refracted Realities: Videonale.17 - Festival for Video and Time-based Art Forms".

Founded in 1984, VIDEONALE is an international festival for video and time-based art forms that, since its inception as the first festival for video arts in Germany, has taken place every two years. It rapidly developed into one of the most important festivals for video art and time-based art forms in Europe, comprising an ambitious programme of video presentations, exhibitions, presentations and performances - always with its finger on the pulse of the latest trends in terms of moving image. Participants include ground-breaking names such as Dara Birnbaum, Keren Cytter, Lynn Hershman, Gary Hill, Christian Jankowski, Klaus vom Bruch, Marcel Odenbach and Bill Viola. For the 17th edition of the festival a total of 30 international artistic positions will be presented in VIDEONALE.17's exhibition at **Kunstmuseum Bonn** under the topic "**Refracted Realities**". The exhibition will be accompanied by an extensive [festival programme](#) including artist talks, lectures, performances, round-table discussions, guided tours, workshops, and educational events.

On top of the VIDEONALE.17 exhibition and festival in Bonn, the trip will be rounded off by discussions with experts and organisers as well as visits to the most important institutions working with video and media arts in North Rhine-Westphalia.

We will be happy to cover the costs for your travel (economy class) and accommodation for up to 5 nights (19th/20th to 24th of February 2019). My colleague, Ms Anna-Lisa Langhoff (langhoff@nrw-kultur.de, +49-(0) 202-698 27 222), will arrange your hotel booking in Bonn. We would like to ask you to



arrange your own transport, if possible; costs for your return trip from Oakland to Bonn (for example via CGN Köln-Bonn Airport, DUS Düsseldorf International Airport or FRA Frankfurt International Airport) can be reimbursed **up to 1,600 EUR**.

It would be most appreciated if you book your tickets as soon as possible as we cannot exceed this reimbursement limit. Please note that due to the international money transfer fees, taxes and currency fluctuations might accrue.

In order to be in time for the start of the programme, please arrive until **20th of February 2019 by 16:00** at the hotel in Bonn. The date of your individual departure is scheduled for the **24th of February**.

Please note that the NRW KULTURsekretariat is not responsible for costs incurred in case of illness, a change of itinerary and injury or loss of property incurred during your visit. As a guest of our International Visitors Programme your name, institution/occupation and city/country of origin will be published on our website, on our Facebook page and Facebook Alumni Group as well as in our monthly newsletter if you do not specify otherwise. Moreover, pictures and occasionally short film footage will be made during the visit and may also be displayed at our website, on our Facebook page and Facebook Alumni Group, unless you specify otherwise. According to the EU General Data Protection Regulation, all data and e-mail addresses you provide are processed and saved in-house for the preparation of our Visitors Programmes, the realisation of our Visitors Programmes and follow-up procedures. After your trip you will be asked to fill out a feedback form for internal evaluation and PR purposes.

It would be most appreciated if you could let us know by **Thursday, 7th January** if you accept our invitation.

For more information on the NRW KULTURsekretariat, go to www.nrw-kultur.de, for more information on the International Visitors Programme, go to www.nrw-kultur-international.de.

We look forward to welcoming you to North Rhine-Westphalia!

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Dr. Christian Esch
Director