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## Press Release

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### Festival programme of the Photography Triennial RAY 2018 24–27 May 2018

In its third edition, the international photography triennial RAY 2018 presents outstanding contemporary photography and related practices at more than ten venues in Frankfurt and the region. Through a multitude of correlating exhibitions on the theme EXTREME, more than 40 selected artists reflect upon social transformation, concepts of identity, and aesthetic tendencies in the twenty-first century. In collaboration with over 15 partner institutions and collections as well as countless events RAY 2018 offers a summer of photographic highlights.

For the first time, RAY will open with a four-day Festival programme: From 24 to 27 May photography fans, international experts of the medium as well as artists are invited to Frankfurt to explore the medium of photography and topics surrounding the RAY 2018 theme EXTREME. With talks and panel discussions artists, renowned academics and experts of different fields as well as the RAY 2018 Curatorial team jointly investigate the phenomenon of the extreme from different perspectives. The festival programme also offers guided tours, participative workshops and a photo contest with many prizes.

Moreover, the results of the RAY MASTER CLASS, with the artist Arno Rafael Minkinen in collaboration with students of the regional art academies, will be presented in an exhibition at the festival hub, MMK 3. With this, RAY fosters an exchange between the regional art academies and international artists in the field of photography and offers young artists a public platform. The Master Class is made possible by the support of Olympus and the Crespo Foundation.

#### **Opening RAY 2018 EXTREME**

Wednesday, 23.05.2018, 7pm

Festival hub, MMK3 of the Museum für Moderne Kunst, Domstraße 3, 60311 Frankfurt am Main

#### **The following exhibition spaces will be open until 10pm on 23 May:**

Fotografie Forum Frankfurt, Museum Angewandte Kunst, MMK 1 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst, ART FOYER – DZ BANK Kunstsammlung, Frankfurter Kunstverein



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**RAY 2018 Festival programme Thursday, 24 – Sunday, 27 May 2018**

All events are located at the Festival hub at the MMK 3, if not noted otherwise.

**Festival hub**, MMK3 of the Museum für Moderne Kunst, Domstraße 3, 60311 Frankfurt am Main

*Artist Talks, panel discussions, workshops, exhibitions and guided tours*

**Thursday, 24.05.2018**

10am–1pm **Artist talks and panel discussions EXTREME. NOMADS**  
with Richard Mosse and Alona Pardo (Curator Barbican Gallery London) as well as Cao Fei (artist) and Yuk Hui (Leuphana Universität Lüneburg). Introduction and moderation by Peter Gorschlüter (RAY 2018 curator).

2–5pm **Artist talks and panel discussions EXTREME. BODIES**  
with Boris Mikhailov, Arno Rafael Minkkinen and Martin Liebscher. Introduction and moderation by Matthias Wagner K (RAY 2018 curator).

6pm **Opening RAY 2018 PARTNER PROJECT H x B x T**  
Nassauischer Kunstverein Wiesbaden

6.30pm **Opening EXTREME. TERRITORIES**  
Deutsche Börse Photography Foundation im The Cube, Eschborn  
Prior booking required [www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.de](http://www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.de)

Shuttles to the openings are available, seats limited, please sign up at the info-point at the Festival hub at the MMK 3.

**Friday, 25.05.2018**

10am–1pm **Artist talks and panel discussions EXTREME. TERRITORIES**  
with Anne Heinlein & Göran Gnaudschun, Christoph Bangert, Guy Tillim. Introduction and moderation by Anne-Marie Beckmann (RAY 2018 curator).

2–5pm **Artist talks and panel discussions EXTREME. ENVIRONMENTS**  
with Krista Caballero & Frank Ekeberg, Mathieu Asselin and Lois Hechenblaikner. Introduction and moderation by Celina Lunsford (RAY 2018 curator).

7pm **Opening EXTREME. SELF**  
Darmstädter Tage der Fotografie and Kunstforum TU Darmstadt  
at Kunstforum TU Darmstadt

7pm **Opening RAY 2018 PARTNER PROJECT Holy Smoke**  
Marta Hoepffner-Gesellschaft für Fotografie e.V. at Stadtmuseum Hofheim

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**Saturday, 26.05.2018**

11am–2pm Key notes and panel discussion

**EXTREME. BREATHING BETWEEN THE POLES**

Key notes by Wolfgang Ullrichs (Author) and Bernd Stiegler (Universität Konstanz).  
Followed by panel discussion with Alexandra Lechner and Matthias Wagner K (RAY  
2018 curatorial team).

2–4pm **Gallery talks EXTREME. ENVIRONMENTS**

with Paula Luttringer and Pradip Malde, among others  
at Fotografie Forum Frankfurt

5pm **RAY NETWORK presents: Against Gravity. On Recent Photography in Ethiopia**  
Maheder Haileselassie (Center for Photography in Ethiopia) with Katrin Peters-  
Klaphake (Scholar and Curator, Makerere Gallery, Kampala)

7pm **RAY MASTER CLASS PRESENTATION**

Guided tour with Arno Rafael Minkkinen and students of Hochschule Darmstadt, HfG  
Hochschule für Gestaltung Offenbach, Kunsthochschule Mainz as well as Staatliche  
Hochschule für Bildende Künste Städelschule

From 8pm **RAY MEETS KLINIKA AT AMP**

Live performances and DJ sets with Frank Ekeberg (NO), Chris Video (US/DE), Klof  
(KR), Floke Faraway (DE)  
Gallusanlage 2, 60329 Frankfurt am Main

**Sunday 27.05.2018**

12am **BIRDING THE FUTURE**

Talk in public space with Krista Caballero and Frank Ekeberg. Meeting Point:  
Fotografie Forum Frankfurt

**Wednesday 24.05.–Saturday 26.05. 10am–8pm**

**Sunday 27.05. 11am–6pm MMK 3**

**RAY MASTER CLASS exhibition**

With the works of students from the following art academies: Hochschule Darmstadt,  
HfG Hochschule für Gestaltung Offenbach, Kunsthochschule Mainz as well as  
Staatliche Hochschule für Bildende Künste Städelschule



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### Guided tours and workshops during the festival

#### Friday 25.05.2018

5pm and 6.30pm **Guided tour RAY 2018 EXTREME. TERRITORIES**  
Deutsche Börse Photography Foundation at The Cube, Eschborn  
20 participants. Entrance free. In German. Prior booking required at:  
[www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.org](http://www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.org)

4pm **Guided tour EXTREME. NOMADS**  
MMK 1 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst Frankfurt am Main  
20 participants. In German.

#### Saturday 26.05.2018

1pm/2.30pm **Guided tour RAY 2018 EXTREME. TERRITORIES**  
Deutsche Börse Photography Foundation in The Cube, Eschborn  
20 participants. Entrance free. In German. Prior booking required at:  
[www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.org](http://www.deutscheboersephotographyfoundation.org)

1.30–3pm **Workshop for children and families EXTREM FOTOGEN**  
In the context of SATOURDAY at MMK 1 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst  
(Entrance free). Prior booking at: 069 21240691 or [kunstvermittlung.mmk@stadt-frankfurt.de](mailto:kunstvermittlung.mmk@stadt-frankfurt.de)

#### Sunday 27.05.2018

2pm **Guided tour through the RAY MASTER CLASS exhibition, MMK 3**

12am–4pm **Photo workshops EXTREME EXPERIMENTIERT**  
For participants of any age, no registration necessary, starts every 30 minutes.  
Free of charge.

3pm **Guided tour EXTREME. BODIES**  
Museum Angewandte Kunst  
In German.



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**Plan your visit**

**Festival hub:**

MMK 3, Domstr. 3, 60311 Frankfurt am Main

**Opening hours:**

Lounge-Area, MASTER CLASS Exhibition,  
Press and information hub

Thu–Sat: 10am–8pm; Sun: 11am–6pm

All events are located at the festival hub, if not noted otherwise.

**RAY 2018 Festival-Ticket 24–27 May**

4-Day Pass\*: 25 Euro

Day Pass\*\*: 10 Euro

Available at the Festival hub MMK 3

\*4-Day Pass valid for the entire festival programme and includes the one-time admission to all RAY 2018 EXTREME exhibitions and PARTNER PROJECTS 24–27 May. Free admission for students.

\*\*Day Pass is only valid for the festival programme at MMK 3. The visit of the festival hub on Sunday, 27 May is free.

For the visit of the RAY exhibitions in Frankfurt/Main after the festival programme we recommend the Museumsuferticket available at all participating museums or online at [www.museumsufer-frankfurt.de](http://www.museumsufer-frankfurt.de). The ticket is valid for two consecutive days.

Please find further information and events at [www.ray2018.de/festival](http://www.ray2018.de/festival)



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### RAY 2018 Dates and Facts

#### **RAY 2018 EXTREME – Exhibition venues**

Darmstädter Tage der Fotografie and Kunstforum of the TU Darmstadt (26.5.–19.8.2018); Deutsche Börse Photography Foundation in The Cube, Eschborn (25.5.–28.9.2018); Fotografie Forum Frankfurt (24.5.–9.9.2018); Museum Angewandte Kunst, Frankfurt am Main (24.5.–9.9.2018) and MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst Frankfurt am Main (24.5.–9.9.2018)

#### **RAY 2018 EXTREME – Artists (Selection)**

Antoine d'Agata (\*1961 FR), Mathieu Asselin (\*1973 FR/US), Christoph Bangert (\*1978 DE), Jamie Brunskill (\*1983 GB), Krista Caballero (\*1976 US) and Frank Ekeberg (\*1970 NO/US), Cao Fei (\*1978 CN), Göran Gnaudschun (\*1971 DE) and Anne Heinlein (\*1977 DE), Aneta Grzeszykowska (\*1974 PL), Lois Hechenblaikner (\*1958 AT), Sze Tsung Nicolás Leong (\*1970 MX/GB/US), Martin Liebscher (\*1964 DE), Paula Luttringer (\*1955 AR), Pradip Malde (\*1957 TZ/US), Gideon Mendel (\*1959 ZA/GB), Boris Mikhailov (\*1938 UA/DE), Arno Rafael Minkkinen (\*1945 FI/US), Richard Mosse (\*1981 IE/US/DE), Paulo Nazareth (\*1977 BR), Laís Pontes (\*1981 BR), Carolin Saage (\*1988 DE), Gregor Sailer (\*1980 AT), Guy Tillim (\*1962 ZA), Ami Vitale (\*1971 US), Isabelle Wenzel (\*1982 DE/NL)

#### **RAY 2018 PARTNER PROJECTS – Exhibition venues**

ART FOYER DZ BANK Kunstsammlung (24.5.–20.10.2018); Frankfurter Kunstverein (24.5.–26.8.2018); Kunst- und Kulturstiftung Opelvillen Rüsselsheim (2.5.–29.7.2018); Marta Hoepffner-Gesellschaft für Fotografie e.V. im Stadtmuseum Hofheim (26.5.–9.9.2018) and Nassauischer Kunstverein Wiesbaden (25.5.–8.7.2018)

#### **RAY 2018 Opening Press Conference**

Wednesday, 23 May 2018, 11 am  
MMK 3 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst

#### **RAY 2018 Opening Ceremony in Frankfurt am Main**

Wednesday, 23 May 2018, 7 pm  
MMK 3 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst

#### **RAY 2018 Festival Kick-off**

Thursday, 24 May to Sunday, 27 May 2018  
MMK 3 of the MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst



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## **RAY 2018 – Team/Imprint**

### **RAY Curatorial Team**

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Peter Gorschlüter (MMK Museum für Moderne Kunst Frankfurt am Main)  
Alexandra Lechner (Darmstädter Tage der Fotografie)  
Celina Lunsford (Fotografie Forum Frankfurt)  
Matthias Wagner K (Museum Angewandte Kunst, Frankfurt am Main)

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### **Interviews**

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### **Press Image**

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