

je o prostoru između, onom koji je javan utoliko što prestaje biti orientiran isključivo na individualne „istine”, ali odbacuje i one kolektivne.

Međutim, on nije (nužno) glasan, niti se obraća specifičnom adresatu – nije, u smislu suvremenog pojmanja „odnosa s javnošću”, niti jasan, niti usmjeren „javnosti”.

## “Tko je pisac Manifesta grupe Exat 51?”

“Družeći se u našem ateljeu u Gajevoj 2b (tada to nije bio stan Ivana Picelja, kao što se krivo navodi u tekstovima) s ljudima koji se nisu htjeli uvrstiti u redove namještenika i koji su shvatili da nas trojica uspješno odolijevamo neprihvaćanju radnog mesta, zajedno smo uvidjeli potrebu udruživanja u jaču grupu unutar ULUPUH-a kako bismo lakše opstali. Grupa se povećala s tri na devet i ojačala ulaskom pet arhitekata i još jednog slikara (Vlado Kristl). Kako nije bilo narudžbi koje bi grupu okupile na zajedničkom radu, ona je počela djelovati kako joj je to život omogućavao.” — Vjenceslav Richter, “Tko je pisac Manifesta grupe EXAT 51”, Život umjetnosti, 67/68, 2002.

## French Window, Paris 1972.— 73.

“Ako bi netko imao neki stav, on samiza toga stoji, ne postoji grupa da ona topokriva već je zapravo riječ o nekom ekstremnom individualizmu. To je čudo – kako postoje čuda prirode, tako postoje i čuda socijaliteta – da se krajnje i izražene individualnosti zapravo ipak slažu, može činiti da tih šest osobnosti stoje same za sebe i da se nikako ne mogu približiti. One su se, međutim, približile upravo u toj nepribližnosti.” (Vlado Martek, diskusija u sklopu samo-obrazovnog projekta Kustoska platforma, Zagreb, Galerija Miroslav Kraljević, svibanj, 2009.)

Pljuni istini u oči je znakovito ime albuma Buldožera koji je izdan 1975., i rasprodan u roku od mjesec dana u 13000 primjera, da bi potom njegovo reizdanje bilo zabranjeno jer su više instance osjećale da je kontroverzan. Širio je cinizam i nihilizam, posve neprispodobiv socijalističkom društvu progrusa. Nedugo nakon toga, klasičnom metodom amortizacije i neutralizacije „nepodobnih”, pjevač Buldožera Marko Brecelj prima prestižnu Nagradu „Sedam sekretara SKOJ-a”. Na drugom su pak albumu, pod pritiskom izdavača, riječ „nirvana“ morali zamjeniti riječju „kafana“. (“Naći ćeš me majko u nirvani ka-fani”)

“Teško je reći je li ono što privlači istraživače u političnosti izvedbe immanentna političnost socijalne koreografije ili dojam o uronjenosti svake umjetničke prakse u 60-ima u političku tenziju, ali zasigurno je da mitologija 60-ih duboko uranja i tadašnje izvedbene umjetnosti u mit o političnosti, što neizravno korespondira s estetiziranim politikama današnjice.” Goran Sergej Pristaš, “Operacija, intervencija, rekonstrukcija”, Frakcija 42, 2007.

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toga  
da moj  
rad bude  
kompletno  
prezentiran, tj.  
Onako kako sam  
zamislio od plakata,  
kataloga do trajanja  
izložbe i čuvanja. Stvarno volim jednu rečenicu od Aretina: „Život znači ne ići na dvor“. Kada idem po ostalim institucijama, idem na dvor, tako se osećam (po cigarette). Kada idem u Podrum, onda idem u Podrum. (Mladen Stilinović, iz transkripta razgovora, Prvi broj, Podroom, 1980.)

Sanja: Hoću reći, to što je taj prostor postojao, to je možda baš onemogućavalo da se ljudi više skon-centriraju na stvaranje jednog koncepta akcije, na program. Možda je trebalo ukinuti prostor, ili zaboraviti da on postoji, pa bi možda onda... Sanja Ivezović, iz transkripta razgovora, Prvi broj, Podroom, 1980.

Trajna potraga za prostorom bivanja zajedno, ne u smislu jedinstvenog kolektiviteta niti u smislu mnoštva interesnih skupina s definiranim programima, nego kao ishodište mišljenju o samom načinu poimanja zajedništva, bivanjem u kojem „ja“ ne dolazi ispred „mi“, i pri čemu „mi“ nije zatvoreno u „singularnost“ i jasno definirano izvana. „Bivanje sa“ podrazumijeva ovdje uzajamnost koja ne poništava slobodu pojedinačnog, te stvara zajednicu koja nema strogo definirane granice i odrednice. Riječ

## ‘grabežljivost mita i par mršavih konkluzija’

## Više akcije, manje suza!

Ne grupiši  
se!

## “Pada kiša, podijeljeni su statovi o tome da li da se ide na ulice ili ne.”

singularni pluralitet, radikalna uzajamnost, prijateljstvo, bivanje sa, prostor između, gorgonašenje

M.S. Zašto radim u Podrumu? Radim u Podrumu zato jer sam odgovoran za ono što radim. Kad dejujemo putem drugih galerija ili novina one (a ne ja) misle da su odgovorne za moj rad. To me smeta i to ne može biti istina. Volim,

# ODSTRANJENO IZ ŠESTDESETIH IN SEDEMDESETIH LET PREJŠNJEGA STOLETJA V SR HRAŠKI. Mešano.

## 23.12.2009

### 15.1.2010

#### REMOVED FROM THE FATE OF OUTER PLANETS

Bits and pieces  
from the art of the  
1960s and 1970s in  
SR Croatia.  
In the mix.

Vljudno vas vabimo na otvoritev razstave v **sredo, 23. decembra**,  
ob 19. uri v Galerijo Škuc.

You are kindly invited to attend the opening of the exhibition on  
**Wednesday, December 23 at 7 pm** at Galerija Škuc.

*Odstraneno iz množice: Usoda oddaljenih planetov* je kuratorsko-umetnostnozgodovinsko delo, ki si za izhodišče vzame raziskovanje nove umetniške prakse v SR Hrvaški v šestdesetih in sedemdesetih letih prejšnjega stoletja zunaj konteksta analize dejanske aktualne umetniške produkcije in ob vsaki realizaciji vključuje nove elemente in fragmente. Prva faza projekta je bil izobraževalni program seminarjev o zgodovini kuratorskih in razstavljalnih praks za študente umetnostne zgodovine, ki smo ga začeli spomladan 2008. Osrednja tema prve 'izdaje' projekta, ki je bila predstavljena letos v Beogradu v okviru razstave Politične prakse (post-)jugoslovenskih umetnosti, so bili načini sodelovanja med umetniki in oblike samoorganiziranja, druga predstavitev v Galeriji Škuc pa vključuje novo poglavje o naprednih kuratorskih strategijah in inovativnih razstavnih modelih.

**Fragment 1: Nove kolektivne prakse – Povezovanje umetnikov onkraj manifesta in programa** je preslek triletnega delovanja *Delovne skupnosti umetnikov Podrum*. *Podrum*, prostor umetnikov za umetnike, katerega iniciatorja sta Sanja Ilevković in Dalibor Martinis, je bil delovni in razstavni prostor, ki je med letoma 1987 in 1981 združil ključne nosilce nove umetniške prakse. Prepis pogovora (delovnega sestanka), ki je potekal v Podrumu in bil objavljen v 'katalogu/dnevniku' Prva izdaja (1980) ter hkrati predstavlja povzetek dosedanjega dela in poskus orisa nadaljnji aktivnosti te 'skupnosti', je izhodišče za predstavitev zgodbe o samoorganiziranih umetniških pobudah in zgodovini združenj od Gorgone v začetku šestdesetih do ustanovitve Galerije PM v Zagrebu leta 1981. Skupno vsem pobudam ne glede na njihovo trajanje pa je specifičen, neprogramatičen in organski način, na katerega so se združile okrog bežno očrtanega skupnega cilja. Fragment se osredotoča na začasne manifestacije kolektivnosti, na načine koncepta 'biti ednina v množini' ali natančneje na *biti* z kot iskanje različnih dojemjan *odnosa med individualnim in kolektivnim*, a tudi na bistvo kolektivnega in možnost skupnega programa. Prav tovrstno opazovanje pa izpostavi transgresivnost delovanja v skladu z danim primetom ali 'po naključju' in akcije kot 'negativa akcije' oz. prikritega delovanja, s čimer izpodkopava pojmovanje konceptov akcije, kolektivnosti in programa, kot jih razume aktualna dominantna ideologija.

**Fragment 2: Nove kuratorske in razstavljalске prakse** postavlja v ospredje nove kuratorske in institucionalne prakse, pri čemer namenja posebno pozornost projektom, ki jih je zasnovala in kurirala Ida Biard v Zagrebu in Parizu. Glavni prispevek kuratorjev in institucij tistega časa je običajno zapostavljen in le redko predmet raziskav znotraj lokalnih umetnostnozgodovinskih

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'vidnost'. Odgovor na vprašanje, zakaj bi se danes podali na vnovično raziskovanje umetnostne zgodovine oz. umetnostnega spomina, ne leži toliko v dejstvu, da bi kot kuratorji in umetnostni zgodovinarji želeli prispevati novo znanje in tvoriti inovativen diskurz, ko obravnavamo umetnost šestdesetih in sedemdesetih let. Odgovor je zelo subjektiven: 'odstranjeni drobci' predstavljajo skupok pomembnih referenc, ki jih uporabljamo pri lastni vsakodnevni praksi, in sicer pri tem, kako doživljamo 'sodelovanje', kako vzdržimo kljub splošni nevarnosti razmer produkcije, kako se upremo pritisku hiperprodukcije in končno, kako doživljamo potencialne pomene, ki jih lahko ustvari naša praksa. V tem smislu so za današnji čas spet izjemno relevantni tako koncept dematerializacije umetnosti – in lahko bi dodali dematerializacije kuratorskega dela – kot tudi modeli sodelovanja, povezovanja in načini ustvarjanja skupnega, značilni za šestdeseta in sedemdeseta leta.

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*Removed from the Crowd: The Fate of Outer Planets* is a curatorial/art-historical piece based on an ongoing research that considers the phenomenon of the New Artistic Practice in the SR Croatia during the 1960s and 1970s outside the context of the analysis of the actual artistic production of that time, involving new elements and fragments with each new presentation. The first phase of the project was the educational program of seminars with the students of art history we initiated in Spring 2008 focusing on the history of curatorial and exhibition practices. The first 'staging' of the project, presented earlier this year in Belgrade in the framework of the exhibition Political Practices of (Post) Yugoslav Art focused on the modes of collaborative work of artists and the forms of self-organisation while the second presentation, at Škuc Gallery, includes a new chapter focusing on progressive curatorial strategies and innovative exhibition models.

**Fragment 1: New Collective Practices - Artists' Association Beyond Manifesto and Program** stems from a consideration of the three-year activity of the *Podroom Working Community of Artists*. *Podroom*, an artists-led space initiated by Sanja Ilevkovic and Dalibor Martinis, was a working and exhibition space that between 1978 and 1981 brought together the key figures of the New Artistic Practice. A transcript of a conversation (a working meeting) held in Podroom and published in the "catalogue-journal" *First Issue* (1980), which is a summary of the work to date as well as an attempt to sketch out a continuation of the activities of this "community", serves as a point of departure for the rendering of narrative about self-organised artistic initiatives and the history of associations from Gorgona Group at the beginning of the 1960s to the establishment of the artist –run PM Gallery in Zagreb in 1981. What is common to all the initiatives, irrespective of their duration, is the specific, non-programmatic and organic manner in which they group together around an only adumbrated common goal. The fragment focuses on temporary manifestations of collectiveness, on models of "being singular plural" or more exactly, on being-with as a search for a different understanding of the relation between individual and collective, but also for the point of a collective itself and the possibility of a joint programme. It is precisely in this kind of observation that the transgressivity of working according to the given case or 'by accident' is brought out, as well as of acting as a "negative of action", acting in invisibility, and ultimately - the subversion of the manner in which the dominant ideology at the time was defining the concept of action, collectivity and programme.

**Fragment 2: New Curatorial and Exhibition Practices** brings the focus to innovative curatorial and institutional practices with the special attention given to the projects initiated and curated by Ida Biard in Zagreb and Paris. The key contribution of curators of the time as well as of the institutions has usually been taken for granted and has rarely been the subject of research in the local art historical narratives. Selected curatorial projects, as well as institutions and informal spaces in which they took place, are here not seen merely in the role of mediators who present artistic products to the audience, but as the active protagonists and initiators of innovative approaches to contemporary art, whether these concern the New Tendencies movement, early conceptual art of the 60s or the New Artistic Practice of the 70s. Moreover, their role is seen as crucial in systematic documentation and timely historization of the innovative artistic practices, enabling them to become relevant point of reference in local art histories and contemporary art and curatorial practice. This emphasis on historization and evaluation of exhibition and curatorial practices represents an initial contribution and a gesture that opens up the discussion and prompts further research in this area.

The subjective methodology of the project launches from the transcript of the aforementioned meeting in Podroom that serves as a loose scenario structuring the very presentation of the research material, the contents of which are original written and visual documents, as well as a collection of more or less arbitrarily connected and disconnected associations, quotes and fragmentary narratives. The title *Removed from the Crowd* (taken from the title of a piece by Mladen Stilinović from 1979) thus becomes a signifier not only of the differentiation of the "associated individuals" as against the ideologically propagated collectivity but also a signifier of the actual methodology. 'Bits and pieces' function as a building material for the proc-

ess of sampling and mixing of images and quotes from catalogues, artist books, our conversations with artists and curators, as well as inserts from sources that don't explicitly interfere with the artistic context, that are all here overtly, maybe even aggressively, 'removed' from their original context to form a number of possible narratives, that reveal art history itself as a performance, relying on subjective processes of selection and interpretation.

Accordingly, the intention of the project is not the creation of a "convincing" and scientifically well-grounded historical or art-historical narrative - it aims rather to indicate an associative cartography functioning as memory script, a map that selects the facts about processes, methodologies and situations we consider to be relevant for us today as well as from a series of speculations derived from the enlargement of details, deliberate omissions, arbitrary connections, all in the aid of articulating a different viewpoint, a temporary and unstable truth through a different "performance" of the writing of the history of contemporary art. Such a 'subjective methodology' stems from considerations evolving around the blurred borders of artistic, theoretical and curatorial work, while the output of this processes manifests itself as an open and exploratory endeavour to search for new modes of bypassing the pressures of naming, *the new and constant 'visibility'*. The answer to the question why we would today, embark on yet another venture into investigation of art history/memory, lies not so much in the fact that we, as curators and art historians, would wish to contribute new knowledge or innovative discourse when addressing the art of the 60s and 70s. The answer is again of a highly subjective nature: the 'removed bits and pieces' represent a set of important references to our own everyday professional practice both in the way of how we perceive 'working together', the efforts to withstand the overall precariousness of conditions of production, the pressure of hyper-production that it entails and finally - how we perceive the potential meanings our work might generate. In this sense, both the concept of dematerialisation of art - and one might add, dematerialisation of curatorial work, as well as the models of collaboration, association and ways of constituting the common, typical of the 60s and 70s, become highly relevant again.

► Vodstvo po razstavi in pogovor s kustosinjama razstave Ivano Bago in Antonio Majaca.  
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A guided tour and the discussion with the curators Ivana Bago and Antonio Majaca.  
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