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LIGHT INSTALLATION SHINES AGAIN

WITH MISCHA KUBALL IN THE BERNEPARK

The artwork "CATCH AS CATCH CAN" by Mischa Kuball and Lawrence Weiner has been in the BernePark in Bottrop since Emscherkunst 2010. It consists of two parts: the lettering "Catch as catch can", which Lawrence Weiner placed on the service pavilion of the disused sewage plant, and a light installation in the two clarifiers, for which Mischa Kuball had the idea. For the Emscherkunstweg, Mischa Kuball artistically reworked the light installation of the joint work. It has also been technically renewed.

On the occasion of this artistic revision, the cooperation partners of the Emscherkunstweg - Urbane Künste Ruhr, Emschergenossenschaft and Regionalverband Ruhr - invite you to Bottrop to the BernePark on Friday, 29 April 2022, from 3 pm. After an entertaining family programme starting in the afternoon, the ceremonial reopening of the light installation will take place at 7 pm in the presence of art, politics and sponsors. A discussion between Mischa Kuball and art historian Vanessa Joan Müller will provide insights into the work of the Düsseldorf artist and the concept of "CATCH AS CATCH CAN". The evening will close with a DJ set by the Dortmund duo Alice\_and\_Bob at dusk.

Registration for the event is not required. Admission is free. The current regulations of the Corona Protection Ordinance apply at the time of the event. Access restrictions and mask requirements do not apply. The distance rules are to be observed. However, we kindly ask you to stay at home in case of symptoms or a positive rapid test out of consideration for the other guests. The event is organised by the Emschergenossenschaft.

LIGHT INSTALLATION LIGHTS UP AGAIN

The conceptual artist Mischa Kuball (\*1959 in Düsseldorf) works mainly with the material light. In his works, he often deals with historically or architecturally significant places in an urban context. He is represented with numerous works in public spaces in the Emscher region. At the former sewage treatment plant in Bottrop-Ebel, now BernePark, Mischa Kuball accentuated the outer edges of the two clarification basins with LEDs. In a moderate rhythm, the light moves as a luminous line around the clarifiers. For technical reasons, the light installation had not been in operation for some time.

Mischa Kuball was on site for the reprogramming and determined the direction of movement, the length of the visible light strip, the speed of the light movement and the light colour. Thus, the neutral white light in both pools moves synchronously in a clockwise direction along the pool edges as a strip about 4 metres long. With the new technology, "CATCH AS CATCH CAN" will illuminate the BernePark for a long time from dusk onwards.

EMSCHERKUNSTWEG: ON SITE WITH MISCHA KUBALL IN BERNEPARK

FRIDAY, 29.04.2022, 3PM-2PM

www.emscherkunstweg.de

ADDRESS

BernePark

Ebelstraße 25 a

46242 Bottrop

ARRIVAL BY BIKE

It is possible to get there by bicycle via the "Emscher-Weg".

ARRIVAL BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

From Bottrop main station, take bus 261 (direction BOT Bergbaustr.) to the stop BOT Bergbaustr. or SB16 (direction Essen main station) to the stop Bottrop Ebel, continue approx. 450 m on foot.

ARRIVAL BY CAR

There are no separate parking spaces available. You will have to find your own parking space in the surrounding area.

PROGRAMME

15:00-22:00 Food and drinks

15:00-19:00 Family programme:

"dasparkhotel" is open

Face painting for children

Painting on the theme of

Flora and Fauna

16:00 & 17:00 Guided tour "Theater der Pflanzen " by Dorothea Steffen, Gesellschaft der Staudenfreunde e.V.

19:00-19:30 Welcome by Bernd Tischler, Lord Mayor of Bottrop, followed by a round of talks between Bernd Tischler, Lord Mayor of Bottrop, Prof. Dr. Uli Paetzel, Chairman of the Board of the Emschergenossenschaft, Karola Geiß-Netthöfel, Regional Director of the Regionalverband Ruhr, and Dr. Vera Battis-Reese, Managing Director of Kultur Ruhr GmbH

19:30-20:15 Artist talk with Mischa Kuball and Vanessa Joan Müller

20:30-22:00 DJ set by Alice\_and\_Bob

PRESS

You are cordially invited to attend the ceremony from 7 pm. Please make a binding registration for this at presse@emscherkunstweg.de.

We look forward to announcing our event in your media and will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

The Emscherkunstweg is a cooperation between Urbane Künste Ruhr, Emschergenossenschaft and Regionalverband Ruhr under the patronage of Isabel Pfeiffer-Poensgen, Minister for Culture and Science of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia. The sculpture path emerged from the temporary exhibition format Emscherkunst, which has accompanied the Emscher conversion by the Emschergenossenschaft since 2010. Since 2018, the Emscherkunstweg has been reconceptualised and expanded as a permanent offering under the artistic direction of Britta Peters, Urbane Künste Ruhr.