

Solidarity Studio: A Speed Dating Event for Literary and Visual Art Workspaces

Dear writers, artists, and other members of the literary and artistic communities,
We would like to invite you to a very special speed-dating event. This one is not about romance. For one night, we want to bring art studio tenants to the table with people seeking spaces for art and literature. The goal is to tackle the issue of space in the independent creative scene through solidarity and community.

Everyone in the arts has experienced a time when a promising project is at risk of failing due to a lack of resources. But then again, maybe these resources aren't so scarce at all: maybe it's a problem of how they're distributed. Let's say you're a writer looking for somewhere to write in the evenings. Or an artist who works by day and is struggling to cover the rent on your studio.

For the trial run of this experiment, we're now looking for interested artists, writers, and other members of the literary and artistic communities who are motivated to join our event with their spaces or needs and to participate in this unique exercise of bridge-building in the arts.

The event, which will include a speed dating session, a concert, and a reading, will take place on 20 March 2020 at 8 pm
at Neue Nachbarschaft // Moabit, Beusselstraße 26, 10553 Berlin

RSVP by 10 March 2020 to atelier.solidaritaet@gmail.com

With this event, we also aim to alert politicians and the public to the dire state of affairs:

- There are not enough affordable workspaces in Berlin for artists and cultural professionals
- Artists are not even earning their basic livelihood from their profession and can barely afford their studios