

Pop-Kultur/2015

Pop-Kultur 2015: It began in Berlin!
August 26-28 / Berghain

World and German premieres, bands, live performances, talks, lectures, »Pop-Kultur Nachwuchs« and interdisciplinary networking

The new three-day festival »Pop-Kultur« starts its first round August 26-28, 2015. It features numerous German and international premieres as well as exclusive concerts, talks and lectures on all the stages of Berlin's famous Berghain: the Panorama Bar, the Halle am Berghain, the Schlackehalle, plus the Berghain canteen and the cloakroom.

»Pop-Kultur« is much more than a space for concerts and energizing DJ-sets. The festival is a place for knowledge transfer and controversies. Musician **Bernard Sumner** reads from his new autobiography, while the remaining members of his band **New Order** – **Gillian Gilbert** and **Stephen Morris** – meet **Daniel Miller**, founder of **Mute Records**, and composer **Owen Pallett** for a panel discussion in the impressive Schlackehalle. For the first time in Germany **Cocorosie's Bianca Casady** will present her solo project "**Bianca Casady & The C.i.A.**" Swiss high-flyer **Sophie Hunger** will perform an exclusive show accompanied by a variety of surprise guests.



Neneh Cherry with RocketNumberNine

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Wooden Wisdom & DJ Fitz

The first edition of »Pop-Kultur« in 2015 is organized by the **Musicboard Berlin**, headed by **Katja Lucker**, curated by **Martin Hossbach** and **Christian Morin**. "We used to ask agents and managers: What is your artist interested in, besides the music? That's why the acts at »Pop-Kultur« step out of their comfort zone. In addition we facilitated a lot of artistic collaborations, e.g. between **Owen Pallett** and the **Stargaze Ensemble**." says **Martin Hossbach**. Berlin based producer and composer **Pantha du Prince** can be witnessed performing as a singer for the first time, while he introduces his new project **The Triad**. Swedish Hip-Hop-artist **Neneh Cherry** will put on a spectacular show with her band **RocketNumberNine** in the Halle im Berghain, while British actress, songwriter and singer **Ebony Bones** premieres her new album in the typically powerful way. "We have made it a priority to integrate as many different musical trends as possible in our program, primarily as world or German premieres and often as collaborations. »Pop-Kultur« manages to present really new music and an exciting mix of prestigious artists and promising newcomers." **Christian Morin** states.



Pantha Du Prince feat. The Triad



Owen Pallett & stargaze / Foto: Peter Juhl



Sophie Hunger / Foto: Marikel Lahana

Fully in line with the interdisciplinary and intertwining program design of »Pop-Kultur«, **Matthew Herbert** – celebrated all around the world as an innovator of electronic music – appears in several festival slots: after a nine year break, the British jack of all trades presents his new album “The Shakes” and takes part in talks as well as workshops in the newcomer program. Another electronic music act will be **Kiasmos**, a duo consisting of the Icelanders **Ólafur Arnalds** and **Janus Rasmussen** – head of the band **Bloodgroup**. Hollywood actor and label-manager **Elijah Wood** and his partner **Zach Cowie** will be at the wheels of steel as **Wooden Wisdom** – accompanied by **DJ Fitz**. Furthermore hot newcomer acts such as **Isolation Berlin**, **Schnipo Schranke**, **Hinds** or **H09909** will expand their reach at »Pop-Kultur«.

As a productive laboratory, »Pop-Kultur« creates the perfect framework for realizing ideas. The laboratory character is matched by the performance of the Berlin based band **Fenster**, who re-enact their new album “Emocean” live on stage and premiere the eponymous, self-produced movie. Authors **Sven Regener** and **Andreas Dorau** will read from their new book “Ärger mit der Unsterblichkeit (*Trouble with Immortality*)” for the first time in public at »Pop-Kultur«. Pop-sensation **Balbina** meanwhile reads unpublished poems, neuroscientist Dr. Tom Fritz and painter **Norbert Bisky** discuss, among other things, the impact of techno-music on the human brain and the minds behind **SPEX** hold a talk in honor of its 35th anniversary alongside guests from the magazine’s history.

From August 26–28 »Pop-Kultur« presents more exclusive live performances, concerts, talks, lectures and premieres on all stages of the Berghain from the following guests and artists:

18+ (US), **Andreas Dorau & Sven Regener** (DE, Lesung), **Balbina** (DE), **Bianca Casady & the C.i.A.** (US/FR), **C.A.R.** (UK), **Chikiss** (RU), **Cristobal & the Sea** (PT), **Chuckamuck** (DE), **Inga Copeland** (EE), **Cummi Flu** (DE), **Daniel Miller** (UK, Talk & DJ-Set), **Dave Haslam** (UK, Lesung), **Die Nerven** (DE), **Disco Anti Napoleon** (FR), **Ebony Bones** (UK), **Evvöl** (AU/IE), **Fenster** (US/DE/FR/UK), **Gabi** (US), **Gillian & Steve** (UK, DJ-Set & Talk), **Girl Band** (IE), **Hinds** (ES), **Ho99o9** (US), **Isolation Berlin** (DE), **James Pants** (US), **Kero Kero Bonito** (UK), **Kiasmos** (IS), **Lapalux** (UK), **Levelz** (UK), **Mary Ocher + Your Government** (US/RU/IL), **Matthew Herbert** (UK, Live mit Band, DJ-Set & Talk), **Messer** (DE), **Anika** (UK), **Michaela Meise** (DE), **Mourn** (ES), **MssingNo** (UK), **Naytronix** (US), **@NeinQuarterly** (US, Talk), **Neneh Cherry with RocketNumberNine** (SE/UK), **Normal Echo** (PL), **Novella** (UK), **Norbert Bisky** (DE), **Only Real** (UK), **Owen Pallett & stargaze** (CA/INT, Live & Talk), **Pantha du Prince feat. The Triad** (DE), **Rival Consoles** (UK), **Schnipo Schranke** (DE), **Sky Walking** (DE), **Sophie Hunger & Gäste** (DE), **Sooke** (DE), **Tempers** (US), **The Juan MacLean** (US), **The Pre New** (UK), **Dr. Tom Fritz** (DE, Talk), **Viv Albertine** (UK, Lesung), **Vogue Dots** (CA), **Will Bankhead** (UK, DJ-Set), **Wooden Wisdom & DJ Fitz** (US/IE, DJ-Set), **Zentralheizung of Death des Todes** (DE)

»Pop-Kultur Nachwuchs« Apply now! Application deadline: July 10th 2015

»Pop-Kultur Nachwuchs« is part of the new festival »Pop-Kultur«, which premieres in August 2015 at the Berghain in Berlin. The newcomer program consists of workshop- and talk-formats as well as case studies with professionals from the music business. Mentors, such as **Ólafur Arnalds**, **Jens Balzer** (Berliner Zeitung), **Ben de Biel** (Maria), **Stephanie von Beauvais**, **Anne Haffmans** (Mute, Domino), **Matthew Herbert**, **Native Instruments**, **Dota Kehr**, **Moses Schneider**, **Sooke**, **Maurice Summen** (Staatsakt) and **Johannes Ismaiel-Wendt** (University of Hildesheim), welcome young talents of all disciplines in the workshops of the **Stage Services Company of the Berlin Opera Foundation**. »Pop-Kultur Nachwuchs«, taking place from August 26-27, is an important component of the professional-format within the »Pop-Kultur« festival.

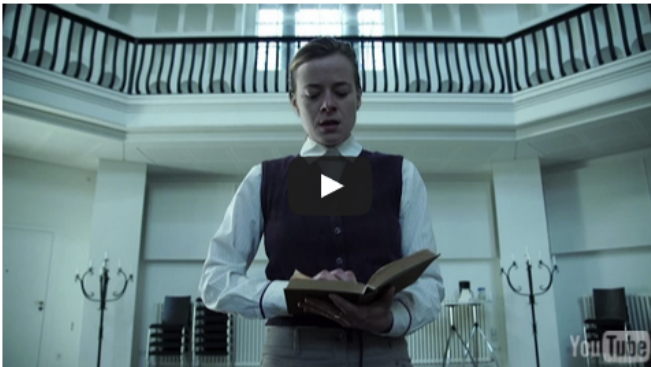
Young musicians, DJ's, producers, label-, club-, and festival-managers, journalists, bloggers and students of these disciplines can apply for the program from now until July 10th, 2015 at www.pop-kultur.berlin/nachwuchs. An expert jury will choose the 150 participants of »Pop-Kultur Newcomers« from all applications until mid-July.

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Detailed information on all slots of the »Pop-Kultur« festival, August 26-28, can also be found in the AD-Ticketshop on the »Pop-Kultur«-website at www.pop-kultur.berlin and in the official booking offices. Instead of regular all-in-one tickets, visitors can compile individual festival schedules. The individual tickets will cost between 5 and 25 € plus fee.

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