

Bétonsalon

Center for Art and Research

First seminar of Académie vivante:

« The pollination of ideas: *Contained Measures of Shifting States* by Otobong Nkanga » directed by Emmanuelle Fabre (IUH St-Louis, CNRS)

Wednesday 6 April 2016, 7 – 9pm

Bétonsalon – Center for Art and Research, Paris

The Académie Vivante (Living Academy), new experimental space of research co-directed by the Epigenetics and Cell Fate Unit and Bétonsalon – Center of Art and Research, presents a seminar focusing on redesigning the concept of metabolism through examining the emergence of ideas and behaviours.

Driven by the mirage of a breath of fresh air, the spontaneous generation, software reboots, new trends, etc., the seminar seeks to navigate the pendulum between absorption and propagation; phases of desire and impossibility. Is free-will or creativity a mere reduction to how we metabolise that which surrounds us?

Directed by Emmanuelle Fabre (Laboratory Manager of Biology and Dynamics of Chromosomes, IUH St-Louis / CNRS), this seminar invites participants to explore—through various approaches and scientific disciplines—the phenomenon of the emergence of new thoughts, of innovative forms and behaviours and changing paradigms.

The first course of the seminar begins with an encounter with the artwork of Otobong Nkanga, *Contained Measures of Shifting States*, presented at the Centre Pompidou from 11 April to 13 June 2016, to investigate the mechanisms of the emergence of discourses and their capacity for speculation. The seminar will be held in the presence of the artist.

Seminars are open to the public by registration

Next sessions: 6 April, 4 May, 11 May, 25 May and 8 June, 2016 at Bétonsalon

More information on the Académie Vivante: <http://betonsalon.net>

If you are interested, register here: publics@betonsalon.net subject: « INSCRIPTION SEMINAIRE Académie Vivante 1 »

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Tram T3a stop Avenue de France



Practical information for Académie Vivante Session 1

5 sessions:

- > Wednesday 6 April 2016: 7 – 9pm in Bétonsalon
- > Wednesday 4 May 2016: 7 – 9pm outside (Field trip)
- > Wednesday 11 May 2016: 7 – 9pm in Bétonsalon
- > Wednesday 25 May 2016: 7 – 9pm outside (Field trip)
- > Wednesday 8 June 2016: 7 – 9pm in Bétonsalon

Conditions:

- > The seminar is open to everyone, limited places available

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