



URBAN MEDIA ART ACADEMY

BEIJING ||
8-10+14 NOV. 2018

LAB+LECTURES || FIELD TRIP ||
SYMPOSIUM
@MAB18 | CAFA



OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

8-9 Nov. 9.00-17.00	Urban Media Art Academy LAB ++ LECTURES ++ FIELD TRIP @CAFA
10 Nov. 10.00-17.00	Urban Media Art Academy FIELD TRIP ++ WORKSHOP @ Goethe-Institut Beijing / Art Zone 798
14 Nov. 14.00-17.00	Urban Media Art Academy SYMPOSIUM @CAFA MAB18
17 Nov. Evening	Digital Calligraffiti Performance @30 Years Anniversary of Goethe-Institut Beijing

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The Urban Media Art Academy is conceived as a networked initiative that investigates and intermediates *What Urban Media Art Can Do - why when where and how – for people, communities, society, our cities and future environments*. It is an interdisciplinary learning environment for artists, curators, designers, architects, scholars and city makers to explore how to bring media art closer to processes of change in local and global urban contexts today. It is initiated with aims of facilitating and qualifying thoughtful, ethical and sustainable practice with media aesthetic expressions - based on the publication *What Urban Media Art Can Do - why when where and how* which was presented at the Media Architecture Biennial in Sydney 2016.

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CITY OF SHIFTING ENERGIES
IN THE CONTEXT OF THE HYBRID CITY

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The Urban Media Art Academy 2018 program addresses a contemporary condition in Beijing characterized by rapidly shifting and philosophically contradicting energies that progress the hybrid city. Changing city plans up through the twentieth century with transition from a planned economy to a market economy, today progressing with development of high-tech industries and rapid urban growth, have shaped an urban atmosphere of growth and rationalization. Different philosophies of energies have accompanied the city's development: Old Beijing was built up around 'acupuncture points' or nodes of energy, the transition to a market economy has been driven by rationalizing energies, and material thinking post the cultural revolution is informed by simultaneous economic dynamics and ancient philosophies of material energy (气 or Qi). Energies distributed from different philosophies and historical phases of the city take up the air, atmosphere and heartbeat of the city, and their negotiation determine the future conditions of living for citizens in Beijing.

With this academy program we will examine how media art in the context of Beijing can intervene in and negotiate the city's spaces of shifting energies: What can urban media art do as a mean of intervention among shifting energies (from ancient to historical and hi-tech) in Beijing, and how may art contribute to negotiating Beijing's urban futures?

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	Thursday 8 November 2018 @CAFA
8.45-9.00	Check in
9.00-9.40	Welcome By CAFA and Urban Media Art Academy
9.40-11:20	Unwrapping the theme of 'City of Shifting Energies' Two perspectives Philosophical perspective on the Qi and its impact on today's development of culture and society By Maurice Li, guest lecturer at Beijing Hospitality Institute and founding partner of CHAO Environmental Energies in China



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	Speaker TBA
11.20-11.30	Break 10 min
11.30-12.30	group conversations What are Shifting Energies in Beijing? Where might we find them? What issues and urban urgencies might they reveal?
12.30-13.30	lunch
13.30-14.00	Introduction to field trip Architectural perspective on the urban history and context Speaker TBA
14.00-14.30	Introduction to field trip / methodology Methodology for looking for shifting energies
14.30-17.00	Field Trip

	Friday 9 November 2018 @CAFA
9.00-10.00	Data sharing and reflections from the field trip
10.00-11.00	Group discussion – after Field Trip: What are Shifting Energies in Beijing? Where might we find them? What issues and urban urgencies might they reveal?
11.00-11.10	Break 5 min
11.00-12.00	What is Urban Media Art? Art that Does by Tanya Toft Ag Urban Media Art Projects for Climate Change and Renewable Energies by Susa Pop
12.00-12.30	Group discussion



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12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.00	Input Talks Speakers TBA
15.00-15.15	break
15.15-16.15	Conversations in groups What can urban media art do in the city of shifting energies?
16.15-17.00	Data-Driven Energies of Creative Expression By Magnus Ag, Founding Director of Bridge Figures

	Saturday 10 November 2018 @CAFA
10.00-11.00	Introduction to exam submission By Tanya Toft Ag
11.00-12.00	Network Session By Susa Pop and Tanya Toft Ag
12.00-13.00	Ride to the Art Zone 798
13.00-14.00	lunch
13.00-14.00	Artistic Perspective: Digital Calligraffiti By Michael Ang, artist
14.00-16.00	Guided tour around Art Zone 798 By Digital Calligraffiti artists



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