

PRESS DOSSIER

PIKSEL15 Get A-life!

Festival for elektronisk kunst og fri teknologi

19 – 22 November 2015 | Bergen, Norway
Østre, S12, Ungdomshuset 1880, BIKS, Bart, Lund-Tønnesens kjeller

Opening night : 18:00 – 24:00 | 19 November

Piksel15 Get A-Life! hosts a number of projects related to the city of Bergen, specifically concerning our local environment.

Pollution has become an important issue to address in our main EU cities. Politicians and environmental scientists struggle every day to keep environmental data at healthy levels. In response, many artists are taking responsibility and dealing with these matters. Working together with biologists and technophiles, they propose new artworks which draw attention to these questions and bring environmental science to the people.

Piksel15 will host over 70 artists and key figures in the DIY open bio art community in Bergen this year, making our city a focal point of this important global movement. Join us, Get A-Life!

[Cociclo](#) by Canadian artist Alexandre Castonguay will mark the local pollution levels with chalk on Bergen's streets, creating a temporal data map of our air quality.



[City-Water](#), a *PikselKidZ* workshop, is an engagement project to visualize water data from the city in physical and digital environments. Young people produce their own arduino based water sensors, and gather water data from the city.



John Bowers and Tim Shaw will create a [Bergen Invocation](#) in their collaborative workshop. Participants will make recordings and perform rituals in sites selected for their geological and historical importance, creating a new soundscape of the city.



[SATELLITEN](#) by Berlin-based group Quadrature will draw the position of the satellites passing by the Bergen sky in real time over old maps of the area.



In workshop [Pikslo deep diving / underwater interception of the nordic sea](#), 4 mentors will work with participants to create a hands-on experience of the local sonic landscape. Noise pollution and its effects on both humans and sea creatures will be explored.



Full program: <http://15.piksel.no>
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-----> A quick tour of the Piksel15 Festival program

Piksel is an annual festival for artists and developers working with free/open source software, hardware and art in Bergen. The 13th edition of the Piksel Festival Get A-Life! is devoted to show a series of artistic works, performances, workshops and presentations dealing with DIY A-Life (artificial life), DIY electronic and audiovisual artworks and concerts.

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EXHIBITIONS @ S12, Østre, Bart, Lund-Tønnesens kjeller
<http://15.piksel.no/category/exhibitions/>

Benjamin Gaulon, Gijs Gieskes, Karl Klomp, Tom Verbruggen, Wolfgang Spahn, Malte Steiner, Signal-to-Noise, Oliver Wilshen and Niall Quinn, QUADRATURE, Jan Bernstein, Juliane Götz and Sebastian Neitsch, Erin Sexton, Oscar Martin, Katrin Caspar, Eeva-Liisa Puhakka, Rasa Smite, Raitis Smite, Robertina Šebjanič, Alexandre Castonguay, Marek Sitko, Maxime Damecour, Jenny Pickett, Sabina Ahn, Harald Fetveit, Matteo Pasin, Nick Montfort, Karen Eliot, Pall Thayer, Giuseppe Gavazza, Benjamin Grosser, Mari Ohno, Nick Montfort, Shu Lea Cheang

PERFORMANCES @ ØSTRE

<http://15.piksel.no/category/performances/>

Servando Barreiro, the noiser, h220, Sabina Ahn, Nicolas Maigret, Brendan Howell, Tim Shaw, Sébastien Piquemal, Jean-Francois Blanquet, Stefan Tiefengraber, SCREAMING IT, Dr. Nexus and Greta Christensen, André Damião, Tijs Ham, Wolfgang Spahn, Kasia Justka, Ben Freeth, Roosna & Flak, Rob Canning, Antonios Galanopoulos, Barbara Kukovec, Quimera Rosa.

DIY A-Life Seminar @ ØSTRE

<http://15.piksel.no/diyalifeseminar/>

Nora S. Vaage (NO), Gjino Šutić (CR), Kat F Austen (UK), Cristian Delgado (MX), Christian E. Mong (NO), Ben Freeth (UK), Hege Tapio (NO), Rasa Smite (LV), Robertina Šebjanič (SL), Margrét Elísabet Ólafsdóttir (IC)

DIY A-LIFE WORKSHOPS

<http://15.piksel.no/category/diyalifeworkshops/>

Pikslo_deep_diving / underwater interception of the nordic sea, DIY BioLab: How to mix molecular biology and electronics as new performances, R language, a powerful tool for environmental data analysis, Bio-Vortex (Bio-Illuminating The Vortex).

DORKBOT PRESENTATIONS @ ØSTRE

<http://15.piksel.no/category/presentations>

PIKSEL SAVERS @ 1880

<http://15.piksel.no/category/pikselsavers/>

PIKSEL KIDZ @ S12 + 1880

<http://15.piksel.no/laboratorio/>

Register for PikelKidZ: tiril@piksel.no

WORKSHOPS @ S12, ØSTRE, BIKS + 1880

<http://15.piksel.no/category/workshops/>

Open call for participation in all workshops, please register by email: piksel15@piksel.no