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ABOUT

What is Café Chercher?

Café Chercher is a platform to present unfinished research projects. These research projects typically exist between the realms of art and science; artists involved in research and researchers involved in the arts. Every last Tuesday of the month we organize evenings with presentations, with performances, with dance, with poetry, with poetry, with music, with videos, with soup and with drinks. Café Chercher is a place for artists and scientists to share their questions, doubts, hypothesis, try-outs, and prototypes. Participants are practitioners, students, PhD researchers, and professors from a wide variety of disciplines and institutions. We provide an informal and intimate atmosphere with room for doubt and for discussion.

Join a growing community of artistic researchers!

Soup and entrance are free, drinks 1 euro.

Participants

The event consists of presentations, performances and a video clipping. Experimental and creative presentations are stimulated. Skype presentations and workshops are also possible. The format is pretty flexible, so please feel free to share your ideas/ suggestions. Some weeks before the event each participant provides information about themselves and their research project, and a single word inspired by their work. These words are collected and will form an imaginary saying which functions as the title for the upcoming event.

Theory focussed contribution: 10-15 minutes

The contribution is based on a research questions, around doubts and hypotheses. These can be small or big questions. The contribution can be in a variety of forms like: workshops, performative lectures, participatory happenings or just a power point presentation.

Practice focussed contribution: 5-15 minute

The contribution is based on an unfinished artwork, the contribution can be seen as a prototype or try-out. The contribution can be in a variety of forms like: artwork, performance, music, dance, theatre, poetry preferably not a powerpoint presentation.

In the [past](#), Café Chercher has hosted presentations and performances of both national and international visual artists, musicians, and researchers from a variety of disciplines and studies. We aim to keep expanding the community and create a network of artistic researchers.

If you are interested in presenting or performing, please send an email to info@cafechercher.org

History & Organisation

Café Chercher means "A research café".

In Modern French *chercher* (=search) derives from Latin *circare* meaning "go about, wander, traverse". Research in the 1570s was used as the "act of searching closely," from Old French *rechercher* (= to seek for). The first attestation of *rechercher* meaning "scientific inquiry" is in the 1630s.

As students [Artistic Research \(reMA UvA\)](#) Edgar M. Caramaño and Emily Huurdeman initiated Café Chercher together with professor Sher Doruff in 2014. They both came in contact with Sher during their study at UvA while Sher was a lecturer there, together they conceptualized and organized Café Chercher for the first two seasons. Each season, new students and alumni of the same program have joined the organization.

Currently, Café Chercher has reached its fourth season. Artists [Emily Huurdeman](#) and [Dalida Georgiou-Achmet](#) form the core-team members and responsible for the programming, organizing, and the stimulation of inter-institutional connections. Each year new students Artistic Research join the team and contribute to the program and organization of Café Chercher.

Sponsors & Supporters

Café Chercher is sponsored by the Rietveld Research Group; Making Things Public. We are supported by [ARIAS \(Amsterdam Research Institute of the Arts and Sciences\)](#), the research Master Artistic Research UvA, and [VOX-POP Creative Space UvA](#).

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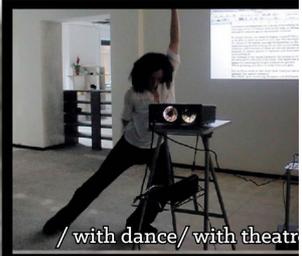
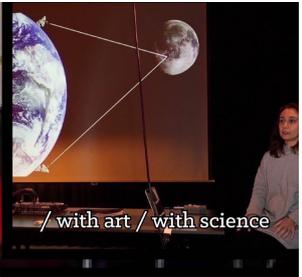
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CREATIVE SPACE FGW



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of the Arts and
Sciences

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- / with Diederik Oostdijk on sound affects of bells
- / with Florian Goettke on burning effigies
- / with Geert Lovink on moneylabs
- / with Suzan Tunca on states of knowledge
- / with Curdin Tones on hacking culture
- / with clippings
- / with drinks
- / with soup
- / with you

In collaboration with **ARIAS**

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Our mind a soundscape

Our body a laughable slogan

Tuesday 26th of September from 17.00h-19.00h

Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam www.cafechercher.org

#4.1 OUR MIND A SOUNDSCAPE, OUR BODY A LAUGHABLE SLOGAN

Article MetropolisM:

http://www.metropolism.com/nl/features/33355_caf_chercher_work_in_progress

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- / with Lauryn Mannigel on affective perceptions of body sent through performance
- / with Alice Landenburg on environmental changes through art practice
- / with Roland van Dierendonck on sounds based on microscopic interactions
- / with experiments
- / with funky cakes
- / with funky drinks
- / with soup
- / with you

Observe
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sweat

Tuesday 31st of October from 19.00h-21.00h

CC#4.2 @VOX-POP Binnengasthuisstraat 9 A'dam

www.cafechercher.org

4.2 OBSERVE THE INTERIOR AND THY SHALL SWEAT

We warmly invite you to the second Café Chercher of season #4.0!

Join us! Share your thoughts, enjoy interesting presentations on Arts & Sciences; Take part in experiments; Taste funky flavours



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Shifting the diffraction of interpretations

- / with **liza prins** & Cafe Chercher
- / with presentations
- / with discussions
- / with doubts
- / with videos
- / with drinks
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Tuesday 28th of November from **1800h-1930h**

@VOX-POP Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam | www.cafechercher.org

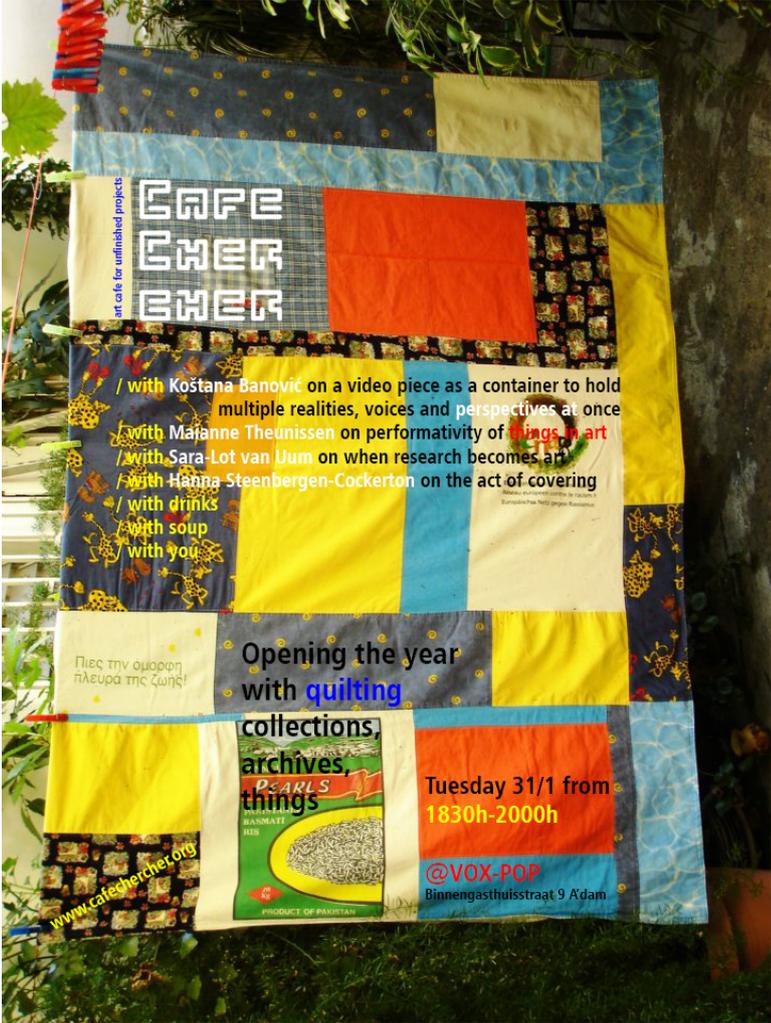
#4.3 SHIFTING THE DIFFRACTION OF INTERPRETATIONS

Dear friends of [Café Chercher](#),

We warmly invite you to the last event of Café Chercher for 2017!!!

Join the 3rd event of the 4th season where Cafe Chercher will discuss its doubts and questions with the aim to re-invent and re-interpret the Cafe itself. Do you have some questions you would like to ask? Have an idea or two on what CC could change? Bring it on... and while you are at it bring your instrument, video, poem or your very experimental piece which is far from finished and totally not ready for the public to see and share it with us!

Besides the very interesting presentations by lisa prins & CC the evening is open to public contributions. Let's celebrate!



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- / with Kostana Banović on a video piece as a container to hold multiple realities, voices and perspectives at once
- / with Marianne Theunissen on performativity of things in art
- / with Sara-Lot van Uum on when research becomes art
- / with Hanna Steenberg-Cockerton on the act of covering
- / with drinks
- / with soup
- / with you

Πες την ομορφιά
πλευρά της ζωής!

Opening the year
with **quilting**

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Tuesday 31/1 from
1830h-2000h

@VOX-POP
Binnengasthuisstraat 9 A'dam

4.4 “OPENING THE YEAR WITH QUILTING, COLLECTIONS, ARCHIVES, THINGS”

We warmly invite you to the opening event for 2018!

Join us for the 4th event of the 4th season:

Café Chercher # 4.4

“Opening the year with quilting, collections, archives, things”

Tuesday 30th of January 18.00 – 20.00h (soup from 18.00h till 18.30h)

[VOX-POP Creative Space](#) (Binnengasthuisstraat 9, Amsterdam)

Entrance is free

/ with [Koštana Banović](#) on video as container to hold multiple realities, voices and perspectives at once

/ with [Marianne Theunissen](#) on performativity of things in art

/ with [Hanna Steenbergen-Cockerton](#) on the act of covering

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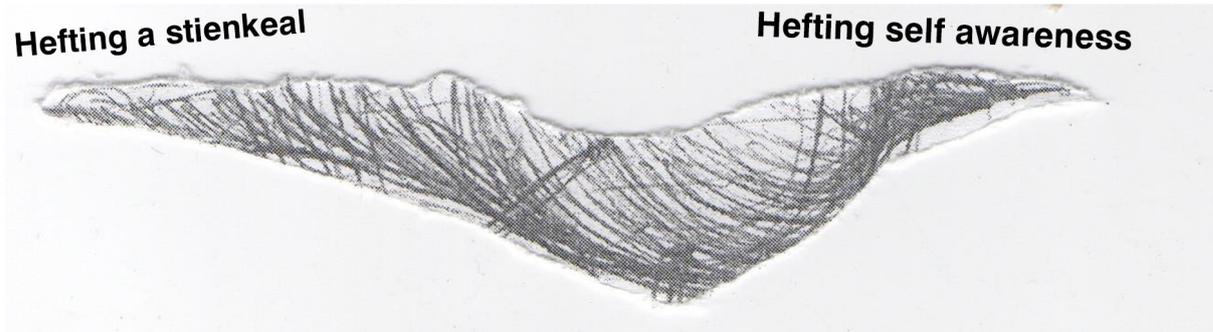
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4.5 @ VOX-POP

- / with Renzo de Pablo on “What makes you, me and me, you?”
- / with Ester Eva Damen on cross-over, yet autonomous, media
- / with Christine van Royen
- / with drinks
- / with soup
- / with you

Hefting a stienkeal

Hefting self awareness



Tuesday 27th of February from 18.00h-20.00h Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam

#4.5 “HEFTING STIENKEAL – HEFTING SELF AWARENESS”

We warmly invite you to Cafe Chercher #4.5!

Join us for the 5th event of the 4th season:

Café Chercher # 4.5

“Hefting stienkeal – Hefting self awareness”

Tuesday 27th of February 18.00 – 20.00h

(soup from 18.00h till 18.30h)

VOX-POP Creative Space (Binnengasthuisstraat 9, Amsterdam)

Entrance is free

/ with Renzo de Pablo on “What makes you, me and me, you?”

/ with Ester Eva Damen on cross-over, yet autonomous, media

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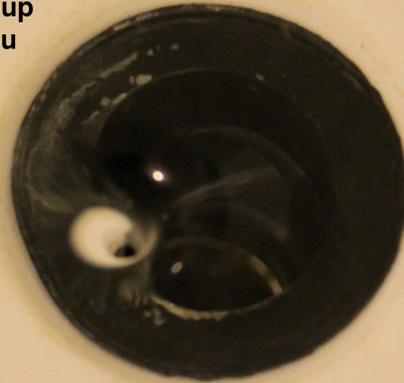
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Listen to the echoing speed

- / with Viki Zioga on challenging societal audibilities
- / with Ned McGowan on expressiveness of speed in music
- / with workshops
- / with drinks
- / with soup
- / with you



4.6

Tuesday 27th of March
from 18.00h-20.00h Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam
@ VOX-POP Creative Space

#4.6 LISTEN TO THE ECHOING SPEED

Café Chercher # 4.6

Tuesday 27th of March 18.00h-20.00h at VOX-POP (Binnengasthuisstraat 9, Amsterdam)

Join us for an interactive and performative evening!

/ with [Ned McGowan](#)

/ with Vicky Zioga

/ with workshops

/ with video

/ with drinks

/ with soup

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Poetry is back -
Contemplates and
drives hard

- / with Budhaditya Chattopadhyay on audio-experiences
- / with Ester Eva Damen on cross-over, yet, autonomous media
- / with Sara-Lot van Uum on external VS own memory
- / with drinks
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Tuesday 24th of April
from 18.00h-20.00h

Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam
@ VOX-POP Creative Space

#4.7 “POETRY IS BACK – CONTEMPLATED AND DRIVES HARD”

Café Chercher # 4.7

“Poetry is back – Contemplated and drives hard”

Tuesday 24th of April 18.00h – 20.00h

[VOX-POP](#) Creative Space (Binnengasthuisstraat 9, Amsterdam)

/ with Budhaditya Chattopadhyay on audio-experiences

/ with Ester Eva Damen on cross-over, yet, autonomous media

/ with Sara-Lot van Uun on external vs own memory

/ with clippings

/ with drinks

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/ with you

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Last event of the season!
/ with students MA Artistic Research UvA



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CC#4.8
Thursday 12 June
18.00h-20.00h

at VOX-POP Creative Space UvA
Binnengasthuisstraat 9 Amsterdam

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sponsored by Rietveld Research Group

#4.8 LAST EVENT OF THE SEASON

We warmly invite you to the last event of season #4!
Join us for an evening of unfinished art and research:

Café Chercher #4.8

“Last event of the season”

Tuesday 12 June 18.00h – 20.00h

VOX-POP Creative Space (Binnengasthuisstraat 9, Amsterdam)

/ with students MA Artistic Research UvA

/ with drinks

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Research Station

- / with **Amy Pickles** on performing non-verbal language
 - / with **Karin Arink** on image-association-text
 - / with **Marie Claire Gellings** on artistic interference on house ontology
 - / with **Michaela Lakova** on memory on the digital realm
 - / with drinks
 - / with soup
 - / with you
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Ethics lie amongst **oscillating** card readings

@WDKA Research Station Thursday 1st February 16.30h-19.30h (soup 16.30-17.00) Wijnhaven 61 Rotterdam

Dear reader,

We warmly invite you to [Café Chercher](#) at [WDKA Research Station](#) coming Thursday!

We are happy to announce that this special edition of Café Chercher is organized for [Radically in Progress](#), a month of reinventing the space formally known as the WDKA Media Library. The participants of the evening are students, alumni and teachers of the WDKA and Piet Zwart Institute from different disciplines. Together we will share unfinished art and research projects.

Join us for an informal evening with doubt / with discussion / with with research / with performances / with videos / with readings / with you!

"Ethics lie amongst oscillating card readings"

CC@WDKA Research Station

Thursday 1st February 16.30h-19.30h (soup 16.30-17.00)

Location: [Wijnhaven 61, Rotterdam](#)

/ with [Marie Claire Gellings](#) on artistic interference on house ontology

/ with [Michaela Lakova](#) on memory on the digital realm

/ with [Karin Arink](#) on image-association-text

/ with [Amy Pickles](#) on performing non-verbal language

/ with clippings

/ with drinks

/ with soup

/ with you

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(Re)thinking film on the east side through haptic visuality and expanded (post)#memory

CCVA's unfinished projects
at Café Chercher



- / with James Snazell on the "Film Drops" project
- / with Patrícia Nogueira on the "East Side" documentary film / installation
- / with Agata Mergler & Cristian Villavicencio on "Haptic/Visual Identities" project
- / with Adrian Palka on "Window" and "Rocks"- the Gulag remediated
- / with Madalena Miranda on "A Light in the Shadows" project

Saturday June 30, 2.00-5.30 PM

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Location: Doelenzaal, University Library (Singel 425, Amsterdam)

We warmly invite you to a special edition of Café Chercher: CCVA @ CC

On 30 June (2.00 - 5.30 PM) [Café Chercher](#) (CC) will organize an afternoon of unfinished research projects with the [Cinema and Contemporary Visual Art](#) (CCVA) workgroup at the [University of Amsterdam](#) (UvA) in the [Doelenzaal at the University Library \(Singel 425, Amsterdam\)](#). This evening will be filled with film, video, cinema, projections and live performances. The participants are both academics and artists, with a broad range of subjects, approaches and backgrounds.

It is an hors-conference event following the [European Network for Cinema and Media Studies 2018 Conference](#) (NECS): Media Tactics and Engagement (27-29 June).

The event is free and open to the public, but given the maximum capacity of the space, we kindly ask you to [RSVP](#) in advance before the 25 June.

CCVA @ CC

(Re)thinking film on the east side through haptic visuality and expanded (post)#memory

Event day: **Saturday the 30th June** (from 2.00-5.30 PM)

Location: **Doelenzaal, University Library** ([Singel 425, Amsterdam](#))

- / with James Snazell on "Film Drops" project
- / with Patrícia Nogueira on the "East Side" documentary film/installation
- / with Agata Mergier & Cristian Villavicencio on "Haptic/Visual Identities" Project
- / with Adrian Palka on "Window" and "Rocks"- the Gulag remediated
- / with Madalena Miranda on "A Light in the Shadows" project
- / with CCVA meeting
- / with clippings
- / with drinks
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Join us for an evening of unfinished art and research!