

program: Tuomas Laitinen

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the audience:

draft 30

aesthetic

[prologue]

Dear member,

welcome to draft the audience with me. It is a pleasure to have you here.

I have a proposition for you. It is an invitation to create something together. The audience is a great interest and love of mine. Having arrived here, I assume it interests you as well. So, I would like to ask you to be my co-researcher for the following 30 minutes. Ok?

If you consent, here is how it works:

[act]

The American art scholar Claire Bishop suggests that the discourse on participatory art easily collapses into sociology and ethical questions. Instead, she emphasises the aesthetic -- "in the sense of *aisthesis*: an autonomous regime of experience that is not reducible to logic, reason or morality".

Now, for the duration of 30 minutes, and in your own personal way, I would ask you to study these questions inspired by Bishop:

What kind of aesthetics appear in this event? How am I, how are we aesthetic as an audience?

The act starts at the moment when you step into to theatre space. You are free to move and act in the space in the way you choose.

The act consists of the audience composing itself.

Yours,
Tuomas

[epilogue]

P.S. After the act, there is a panel and a discussion.

the audience:

is a series of experiments and expositions
premiering in various venues and contexts
more or less connected to the medium of performance

poses the audience as a question
considers the creation, or exposure, of a collectivity
a receptive, attentive plurality
of dissenting and consenting beings

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