

# NEU NOW Announces Festival Programme

## Extensive festival programme brings together a new generation of talent

*Over the past seven years, NEU NOW has established an innovative international festival that features a curated selection of emerging artists entering international art arenas. For the eighth edition, NEU NOW returns to the spaces of the Westergasfabriek to present a multidisciplinary programme that aims to highlight cultural exchange and the fluid character of the artistic disciplines.*

NEU NOW is a five-day celebration of art in Amsterdam that welcomes 60 artists from 18 countries. From the 14th to the 18th of September, NEU NOW brings together a generation of rising artists from across Europe and beyond to share their works, practices and cultural perspectives in ways that encourage future collaborations.

### NEU NOW exhibition

At the heart of the festival is the NEU NOW exhibition. Located in the Machinegebouw at the Westergasfabriek, NEU NOW exhibition houses 12 artworks from a broad range of disciplines including design, architecture, visual art and more. On Sunday the 18th of September, each exhibiting artist will present and explain their work in an interactive artist talk that explores their unique artistic practice and perspective. The exhibition is open every day and free of charge.

### NEU NOW performance

This year NEU NOW performance will take place in the Westergastheater and its surrounding area, with two or more exciting performances occurring daily. From theatre and dance, to music and sound, the performances offer a variety of themes and styles. This year the line-up includes: the interactive theatre piece *Follow Us* by Swiss duo Destiny's Children, the dramatic dance performance *The Sacrifice of Roaring* by internationally recognised Taiwanese choreographer Hsu Chen Wei and his dance company, as well as music performances by Jo Goes Hunting (NL), a site-specific performance by Topos Kolektiv (CZ) and many more. After each performance visitors are invited to join the NEU NOW artist talks.

## NEU NOW film

The 90 minute NEU NOW film programme at Ketelhuis will feature screenings of a variety of genres. Sophie Dros (NL) will show her acclaimed documentary short *My Silicone Love*, recently nominated for a Student Oscar, Andrea Alessi (IT) presents the fashion short *Once*, Yaron Cohen offers his poetic short *Until the Quiet Comes*, alongside many more.

## NEU NOW next

In addition to the core programme, NEU NOW invites visitors to delve deeper into their understanding of the presented artworks and artistic practices by getting involved in a variety of artist talks offered onsite at the Westergasfabriek. NEU NOW is also proud to present its very first speakers programme, during which a variety of influencers from the art world will talk about the ever-pressing issue of *(Making a) Living in the Arts*. The speakers programme is free of charge and open to the public.

## NEU NOW nacht

On the evening of Saturday the 17th of September, NEU NOW, in collaboration with Warsteiner, invites visitors to enjoy a festive late-night programme, with music, drinks, and much more. Music of the night will be provided by [deadHYPE](#) and Jimmie Hueting's avant-garde pop band Jo Goes Hunting.

NEU NOW 2016 will be held at Amsterdam's Westergasfabriek from the 14th to the 18th of September.

For more information on this year's participating artists, please visit [www.neunow.eu](http://www.neunow.eu).

## Editor's Note

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The full list of participating artists is available [here](#).

## Empowering Europe's Emerging Artists

NEU NOW is Amsterdam's international art festival devoted to presenting the work of exceptional emerging talents advancing towards their international careers from art academies across Europe and beyond. A selection of socially engaged artists from a plurality of cultural and artistic perspectives is brought together to show their work. NEU NOW highlights the fluid character of the artistic disciplines to present a programme in which exhibitions, performances, workshops, films and artist talks converge to provide new perspectives and future opportunities.

Previous editions of NEU NOW were held in Vilnius, Tallinn, Nantes, Porto, Amsterdam and Glasgow. In 2015 the festival returned to Amsterdam, where it found a permanent home.

NEU NOW is an initiative of ELIA – European League of Institutes of the Arts.

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