

## About PaintLounge salon exhibition and 'Painters in Conversation' talks

PaintLounge is more than an exhibition - it is a international gathering of UK and German based painters who will share a weekend of conversations and ideas about contemporary painting practice. It is a public exhibition and forum in which practitioners who work predominantly in the medium of paint come together to converse about some of the specificities relating to the medium and to enquire and share their practices and ideas. PaintLounge aims to foster new connections, new ideas and new fruitful exchanges which will carry on into the future. See programme and times for "Painters in Conversation".

PaintLounge is an artist/curator-run initiative organised by Paula MacArthur & Wendy Saunders who have curated exhibitions with Sluice in New York in 2016, London 2017 and now Berlin 2018.

Sluice Exchange is a peripatetic biennial expo which this November brings approximately 20 visiting galleries and projects to Berlin. Sluice, in partnership with Das Institut für Alles Mögliche – both non-profit arts orgs with a focus on supporting the artist & curator-led sector – will stage a three day event for galleries and projects that share similar foundational ideologies of independence and artistic engagement. Each participating Berlin-based and international gallery will combine to present a weekend of exhibitions, performances, talks & screenings. Whilst the UK is in the throes of disengagement from the EU – 2018 is an opportune time for a joint UK/EU initiative to deliver an internationally focused event. The expo ambitiously represents the independent art world by examining how global political developments impact on artists at a local level. The Sluice expo looks past current nationalistic trends to interrogate possible futures.

PaintLounge is generously supported by Arts Council England's Artists' International Development Fund and part of the British Council's UK / Germany season, celebrating the cultural connections between the UK and Germany.

We warmly invite everyone to come along and explore interests common to painters internationally.

Saturday 17 - Sunday 18 November 11- 18.00 daily KühlhausBerlin, Luckenwalder Strasse 3,10963 BERLIN

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