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Marija Olšauskaitė. Witness on our behalf

Contemporary Art Centre (CAC), Vilnius 26 April – 26 May, 2019

Curator: Asta Vaičiulytė Graphic design: Monika Janulevičiūtė Exhibition photography: Rasa Juškevičiūtė

In her practice, Marija Olšauskaitė employs various modes of collaboration and explores the themes of relationships, openness, intimacy and belonging. To participate in a show *Witness on our behalf* she has invited friends, artists and other creators, in an attempt to create a space in which intimacy, affinity and privacy are exposed, and passers-by become guests. Curated and staged occurrences and events are experienced alongside continuous and out-of-control situations. Small talk, gossip, and bragging take place in full vulnerability and sharing, or the state of honesty and truth, becomes a given responsibility. As the participants exchange their ideas, authorship is no longer important. In the words of the artist, "Like a kiss between five people, you don't feel whose lips are whose, but it's definitely a kiss". Participants in the show: Ms. Carrie Stacks, James Massiah, Eglè Budvytytė, Tomislav Feller, Carolyn Lazard, Elena Narbutaitė, Steve & Samantha, Dodomundo, Antanas Lučiūnas, Maria Tsoy, Ieva Kabašinskaitė, Raimundas Malašauskas, Jonas Žakaitis and others.

Events programme:

26 April, 1:00 a.m. Larry B

27 April, 7:00 p.m. James Massiah 28 April, 3:00 p. m. Simonas Nekrošius

1 May, 7:00 pm (Cinema Hall, registration: info@cac.lt) Eglė Budvytytė Tomislav Feller

3 May, 6:00 pm Dodomundo Antanas Lučiūnas

7-12 May Carolyn Lazard

18 May, 4:00 pm (and continues until Sunday evening) Dragon Day

22-26 May Common Dandelion

25 May, 8 pm Steve & Samantha

and further appearances

As part of the exhibition, the CAC has produced a publication: Marija Olšauskaitė, Lookbook, Vilnius: Contemporary Art Centre, 2019, 36 pages, ISBN: 978-9986-957-83-6, print run: 600. With contributions by Jonas Žakaitis (text) and Rasa Juškevičiūtė (photography)

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