KOSMICA PARIS 2017 The Conquest of Arts in Space

PRESS RELEASE

Art has conquered outer space. A range of organisations worldwide have embraced the arts and the humanities for enriching outer space activities. Before there were space programmes, artists throughout history fuelled the imagination for space travelling. Today artists are still creating new poetical and critical work about our role in space.

In the last years we have witnessed how space organisations and the industry are collaborating with the arts and humanities for producing work. At the same time we can see the birth of new independent groups and institutions that explore space from cultural perspectives.

This edition of KOSMICA in Paris will present the work of various members of the Committee for the Cultural Utilisation of Space (ITACCUS) of the International Astronautical Federation (IAF). Members of this committee have advocated for the importance of artists in their organisations and others have independently founded their own. KOSMICA will present a series of projects with an evening of performances, video, talks and music at La Colonie to celebrate the rise of the arts in space. 20th MARCH 18:30 - 24 H FREE ENTRY

<u>La Colonie</u> 128 rue Lafayette 75010 Paris

KOSMICA PARIS 2017 Programme

Roger Malina (Talk) University of Texas at Dallas / Leonardo

Chris Welch (Talk) International Space University

Bernard Foing (Video) European Space Agency

Dunja Zupančič, Miha Turšič & Dragan Živadinov (Performance) Cultural Centre of European Space Technologies (KSEVT)

Ewen Chardronnet (with Magali Sanheira & Gaël Angelis / Carbon Sink) (Performance) Author of Mojave Epiphanie

Manuel Díaz (Video) KOSMICA

Louise Beer, Melanie King & Rebecca Huxley (Exhibition-Talk) Lumen Studios

DJ Selector (DJ Set) Association of Autonomous Astronauts

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IAF, International Astronautical Federation http://www.iafastro.org/

ITACCUS, Committee for the Cultural Utilisation of Space - IAF http://www.iafastro.org/committees/committee-for-the-cultural-utilisation-of-space-itaccus/

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About KOSMICA:

KOSMICA is a popular series of events and festivals worldwide. With over 20 editions and 150 guests from every corner of Earth, we bring together the cosmically curious and culturally quirky space community for a social mix of art and outer space programs: film screenings, performances, concerts, workshops, talks and debates about the alternative and cultural uses of outer space.

KOSMICA was born in 2011 in London with the partnership of The Arts Catalyst. Currently we are endorsed by ITACCUS, the International Astronautical Federation's Committee for the Cultural Utilizations of Space.

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