

Press release

"Laughter allowed" an art event of the Emmaus Church in Berlin-Kreuzberg

For the first time the bell tower of the **Emmaus Church in Berlin** is going to sound differently than usual. In the period from 04/23/2011 to 05/07/2011 there will be a laughter sound of laughter singing out every quarter of the hour, swelling as it comes closer to the hour.

The sound installation "Laughter allowed" is an art event of the artists **Cabri, Carolyn Krueger and Brigitte Kottwitz who live in Frankfurt am Main**. The sound will make Berlin residents smile. A bell tower which usually attracts people by the ringing of bells, the attention is, puts the rushing passersby the question "why is this laughing here? Is somebody laughing at me?" Or - and this would be the best regarding health - they simply laugh heartily. This cheerful back-pedalling with laughter offers the modern city dwellers a moment of relaxation.

The opening will be **Easter Saturday 4/23/2011** at 6 p.m. with a speech of **pastor Jörg Machel**. The religious scholar, physicist, philosopher and laughter trainer **Harald-Alexander Korp**, Berlin, will talk about "**Is God laughing? Joke and humor in religion**" in order to expand our laughter horizon. "About what are religious people and believers laughing nowadays? Where can liberating laughter be found in Christianity? Is the laughter gone in the religions?

On Easter Sunday, 4/24/2011 at 11 clock is Pastor Machel in worship the Easter laughter custom with Cabri, H.-A. Korp and members of the Laughter Movement Berlin can be experienced. Musical sounds of the trombone choir and the organ with Ingo Schulz.

World Laughter Day on Sunday May 1, 2011, this method can also be fun laughing at Tempelhof Park continues to be tried. The laughing church tower is connected to it.

Carolyn Krueger and Brigitte Kottwitz have been working as a pair of artists named Cabri together and possibly make the installation "laughter allowed" in Frankfurt am Main and in a village church resound in the Odenwald. Her artistic work includes film, video, ceramics and installations. Both are active in the global laughter movement. Kottwitz founded and directed for 12 years, the laughter club in Frankfurt, Kruger operates the German Laughter Yoga Forum Lachclub.info. The artists will be present during the Easter holidays.

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Am Ostersonntag 24.4.2011 um 11 Uhr wird Pfarrer Machel im Gottesdienst den Osterlachbrauch mit CaBri, H.-A. Korp und Mitgliedern der Lachbewegung Berlin erlebbar werden lassen. Musikalisch ertönt der Posaunenchor und die Orgel mit Ingo Schulz.

Am Weltlachtag-Sonntag 1.Mai 2011 kann diese vergnügliche Lachmethode auch am **Tempelhofer Park** weiter ausprobiert werden. Der lachende Kirchturm ist mit ihm verbunden.

Carolyn Krüger und Brigitte Kottwitz arbeiten seit Jahren als Künstlerinnenpaar mit dem Namen CaBri zusammen und haben die Installation „Lachen erlaubt“ in Frankfurt am Main und in einer Dorfkirche im Odenwald erklingen lassen. Ihre künstlerischen Arbeiten umfassen Filme, Videos, Keramik und Installationen. Beide sind in der globalen Lachbewegung aktiv. Kottwitz gründete und leitet seit 12 Jahren den Lachclub in Frankfurt, Krüger betreibt das deutsche Lachyogaforum Lachclub.info. Die Künstlerinnen sind an den Ostertagen anwesend.

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