



**black mountain - educational  
turn and the avantgarde**  
symposium 25-26/9/2015  
public event

# black mountain college

Black Mountain College (1933-1957) developed an unprecedented prominent genealogy of artists, scientists and intellectuals in the neo-avant-garde of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. As an educational art institution, it established performative practices of interdisciplinary learning and researching, which included at least two crucial factors: collaboration and experimentation. This unique complicity of an educational turn and the emergence of an avantgarde is of crucial interest in today's debates on issues of education and pedagogy in art, science and academia under precarious economic circumstances.

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18.00 – 19.00

## welcome and exhibition

Eugen Blume, Gabriele Knapstein, Annette Jael Lehmann

19.00 – 19.45 | Keynote

## what is research?

James Elkins (School of the Art Institute Chicago | Chicago, USA)

20.00 | Turntable lecture performance

## black mountains of vinyl – the turntable and compositional thinking

Matt Wright (School of Music and Performing Arts, Canterbury Christ Church University | Canterbury, UK)

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10.00 – 10.30 | Introduction

## **black mountain – educational turn and the avantgarde in past tense**

Annette Jael Lehmann (Freie Universität Berlin | Berlin, Germany)

10.30 – 11.15

## **the black mountain college experiment revisited**

Eva Díaz (Pratt Institute | New York, USA)

11.15 – 12.00

## **black mountain college and the aspects of the musical avantgarde**

Christa Brüstle (Kunstuniversität Graz | Graz, Austria)

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12.00 – 12.15 | Coffee break

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## **alien agency – techno-science, art and the limits of knowing**

Chris Salter (Concordia University | Montreal, Canada)

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13.00 – 14.30 | Lunch break

14.30 – 15.15

## **art, research, experiment – the academy revisited**

Dieter Lesage (Royal Institute for Theatre, Cinema & Sound | Brussels, Belgium)

15.15 – 16.15 | Panel | Moderation: Claudia Olk (Freie Universität Berlin)

## **collaboration in art, education and research today**

Eugen Blume (Museum Hamburger Bahnhof | Berlin, Germany), Irene Campolmi (Curatorial Department, Louisiana Museum | Humlebæk, Denmark), Ingrid Commandeur (Piet Zwart Institute, Willem de Kooning Academy Hogeschool Rotterdam | Rotterdam, Neatherlands), Julian Klein (Institut für künstlerische Forschung, Radialsystem V | Berlin, Germany), Gabriele Knapstein (Museum Hamburger Bahnhof | Berlin, Germany), Markus Miessen (University of Southern California | Los Angeles, USA), Nina Möntmann (Royal Institute of Art | Stockholm, Sweden), Patrick Müller (Zürcher Hochschule der Künste | Zurich, Switzerland)

16.15 – 16.45 | Coffee break

16.45 – 17.30

## **creative practices of knowlegde**

Irit Rogoff (Goldsmiths, University of London | London, UK)

17.30 – 18.15

## **everyone must win – a recall of buckminster fullers’ »world game«**

Christina Kral (Ykon | Berlin, Germany), Yvonne Reiners (Performing Encounters | Berlin, Germany)

### **moderation**

Mariama Diagne, Anna-Lena Werner  
(Freie Universität Berlin | Berlin, Germany)

## **further information:**

[www.black-mountain-research.com](http://www.black-mountain-research.com)

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