

03/09/2010-04/09/2010
Antwerp Belgium

**Regional Meeting for members and non-members from
Belgium, The Netherlands and North Germany**

Programme:

Friday, 3rd of September: Eco and Bio Art

11.00 AM Coffee/tea

Welcome by Sculpture Network and the Verbeke Foundation www.verbekefoundation.com
Founder *Geert Verbeke* (member) collected collages and assemblages and now hosts installations of living or organic materials (Eco and Bio art).

11.30 AM Individual visit on the current in- and outdoor exhibition **Green Summer**.

13.00 PM Lunch. Showcase documentation of sculpture-network-members and artists of the exhibition.

13.45 PM Smaller groups will interview three participating artists: What do you make? How?
Why do you make this today?
How does this relate to your other work?
Gert Aertsen, Will Beckers, Martin uit den Bogaard, Egied Simons, Mieke Smits, Lieven Standaert, Peter Decuypere

15.00 PM Drinks

15.30 PM Introduction on Bio Art by *Prof. Dr. Ing. Rob Zwijnenberg*, philosopher, engineer and professor in art-history at Leiden University, connected to the Arts and Genomics Centre.
www.artsgenomics.org

16.15 PM Panel discussion with *Rob Zwijnenberg*, curators *Geert Verbeke* and *Simon Delobel*, artists *Jef Faes*, *Martin uit den Bogaard* and the public, moderated by Dutch art-critic *Anne Berk* (member).
What is Eco-art? Why is Eco-art emerging now?
May art have a message? If so, how to get the message across? How do art and science relate?

17.45 PM Informal get-together and dinner (price included)
Showcase documentation

Saturday, 4th September: The monument yesterday and today

- 10.00 AM: Guided tour in Antwerp-city along the historical monuments.
Visit to the restoration of the central fountain Brabo.
What was the role of the monument in the past?
- 11.30 AM Travel from Antwerp centre to Middelheimmuseum
- 12.00 AM: Coffee/tea
Welcome by Sculpture Network and introduction by Menno Meeuwis, director of the Middelheimmuseum, on the 60 year old sculpture-park and the current exhibition **New Monuments**. Is the 'eternal' monument still relevant?
How do sculptors relate to tradition?
www.middelheimmuseum.be
- 12.30 PM Lunch. Showcase documentation of sculpture-network-members and artists of the exhibition.
- 13.45 PM Visit to the exhibition **New Monuments** with guides.
Some participating artists will be present to explain their work.
- 14.45 PM Drinks
- 15.00 PM Lecture by artist Krzysztof Krzysztof (Poland)
Topic: "Polish monuments before and after communism"
- 15.45 PM Participants discuss their favourite contemporary monuments in small groups. Out of this we make a Top 10
- 16.45 PM Reception with participants of the meeting and sculpture lovers from Antwerp.

Practical information:

You can book one or two days.

Participation fee Friday: 45 euro for entrance, tours, drinks, lunch, dinner (let us know if you are a vegetarian).

Participation fee Saturday: 5 euro (lunch and drinks at your own expenses)

Deadline of registration is the 1st of September.

Please register online under:

www.sculpture-network.org

Hotel recommendation:

International Seamen's House, Falconrui 21 2000 Antwerpen
Tel.: 00 32 (0) 3 2275433 www.zeemanshuis.be

We agreed with the hotel on a special rate for event participants when reserving with the group:

Single room: 42,00 Euro

Double room: 65,50 euro

(Normal prices 47,50 and 72,00 euro)

If you want to be sure of a room and get price reduction, please sign up **BEFORE THE 22 OF JULY** so we can make hotel-reservations.

After 22 July you'll have to arrange a room yourself. Please pay on site.

Transport:

The Verbeke Foundation and Middelheimmuseum are on the outskirts of Antwerp and can best be reached by car. We can do carpooling.

Please let us know if you have room for others.

Your favourite monument:

Please upload pictures of your favourite historical and contemporary monument on our site <http://favoritemonument.ning.com> BEFORE the meeting.

Next to that, bring along a printed version of those monuments, so we can discuss them at the meeting.

If you have any questions please refer to one of the organizers

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