The European League of Institutes of the Arts (ELIA) is pleased to announce

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the call for artistic projects for the 8th NEU NOW Festival

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### Call for Artistic Project Nominations - NEU NOW Festival 2016

The European League of Institutes of the Arts (ELIA) is pleased to announce the call for artistic projects for the 8<sup>th</sup> NEU NOW Festival taking place mid to late September 2016 (dates to be confirmed shortly) at the Westergasfabriek in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

The NEU NOW Festival is an innovative international platform and showcase for talented graduating art students and recent graduates – of Higher Arts Education Institutions and Universities across Europe and beyond – from all artistic disciplines to present themselves to a wide international audience.

### Nominations are now open!

Use the Nomination Tool at www.elia-artschools.org/neunow to submit nominations of projects!

The deadline for nominations is 8 February 2016.

### **NEU NOW is:**

- an online and a live event that promotes artistic excellence through cutting edge presentations and activities featuring artwork across a wide range of disciplines;
- an opportunity for selected emerging artists to show their work, meet each other and create new international partnerships;
- a space where informed audiences, producers and curators can see excellent artists and innovative projects coming from art schools and universities across diverse geographies;
- a forum where artists, producers, curators, cultural operators and policy makers can discuss future developments in the arts and share views on the cultural role of higher arts education institutions:
- a means of bringing a new generation of upcoming artists to the attention of an international audience.

From the nominated projects, a maximum of 100 projects will be presented online to a wide range of arts professionals and publics.

A selection of 25-30 projects will be presented at the live NEU NOW festival, which will take place mid to late September in Amsterdam at the cultural hotspot Westergasfabriek (www.westergasfabriek.nl).

In addition to the main event in September, a series of outreach activities promoting alumni of past editions of NEU NOW will happen throughout the year. Selected artists are invited to show their work and participate in residencies with partners of NEU NOW including:

Art Basel FOAM Amsterdam Prix Europa Berlin Southbank London

### Who can participate in NEU NOW?

NEU NOW is open to arts students in their final year of study and recent graduates (within one year of graduation) of Higher Arts Education Institutions across Europe and beyond, which are ELIA members, ELIA associate members or ELIA non-European members.

The call for entry to this competition is also open to members of the following partner networks:

- AEC Association Européenne des Conservatoires, Académies de Musique et Musikhochschulen
- CILECT The International Association of Film and Television Schools
- Cumulus International Association of Universities and Colleges of Art, Design and Media.

Artists (as individuals or groups) are nominated by their (former) institution within one of the following five categories:

- Design/Architecture
- Film/Animation
- Music/Sound
- Theatre/Dance
- Visual Art

NEU NOW 2016 takes place at the Westergasfabriek, a cultural complex situated in a large public park; artists who work in street/outdoor art are especially encouraged to apply to take full advantage of the venue's outdoor spaces.

Please note, artists cannot apply directly but must be nominated by a representative of their (former) institution.

### **Apply Now!**

To make a nomination now go to www.elia-artschools.org/neunow

For more information go to www.neunow.eu

### Questions?

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