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The 10th Creative Time Summit, *Of Homelands and Revolution*, will take place in Toronto, Canada, from September 28 to 30, 2017, and is co-produced with The Power Plant in collaboration with the Art Gallery of Ontario.

*Of Homelands and Revolution* explores the concept of home in its intimate and immense dimensions; we consider urgent struggles for sovereign homelands: the violent borders that produce exile, displacement and refugeeism, and the threats of virulent nationalism(s). At the same time we keep in sight home’s relation to the heart, and the everyday and extraordinary realms of domestic life and hospitality. Our consideration of revolution, the Summit’s second thematic axis, takes as its point of departure the centennial of the Russian Revolution. While the legacy of this historic moment can be contested, the Bolshevik Revolution was a remarkable event that, in the words of Leon Trotsky, one of its principal architects, allowed for the “direct interference of the masses in historic events.” One hundred years later we look back at the Marxist tradition and at the many forms of radical sociality, aesthetics and anti-capitalist organizing that it has inspired, particularly in light of the resurgence of neoliberalism and the global turn to the right today.

The 2017 Summit invites participants to consider the many-layered political and aesthetic understandings of home alongside social movements — revolutionary ones at that — which have sought to summon a broader dream of social justice. Present in both of the Summit’s main thematic threads are ongoing movements led by indigenous peoples across continents and the multiple relations between home, land, culture, and community that they bring to bear.
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CABARET CRUSADES III: THE SECRETS OF KARBALA, 2015, WAEL SHAWKY

Monument to the Century of Revolutions by the collective Chto Delat, curated by our artistic director, Nato Thompson. The project, marking the 100-year anniversary of the October Russian Revolution, reflects more broadly on the history and future of revolution and represents a culmination of the Summit. I invite you to continue sharing ideas and conversations during our time together as you experience and learn from this radical, immersive monument. Additionally, many of our speakers are participating in projects around the city, so be sure to look them up!

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MONUMENT TO THE CENTURY OF REVOLUTIONS

Welcome to the Creative Time Summit: Of Homelands and Revolution. We are thrilled to meet you today in beautiful Koerner Hall in Toronto and spend the next two days together discussing this year’s core themes of Land, Love & Living, Labor, and Liberty along with more than 80 international and Canadian speakers and session leaders. Throughout today’s presentations we will take in a variety of unique perspectives, abundant new ideas, as well as challenges facing both individual practices and society at large. Tomorrow, as we move to the Art Gallery of Ontario, we have the opportunity to engage, connect and strategize. Together we will collectively consider the complex sociocultural meanings of home and homelands, in this moment of dramatic political change and far-reaching social movements.

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CURATORS

GAËTANE Verna
Director, The Power Plant

Since 2012, Gaëtane Verna has been Director of The Power Plant in Toronto, Canada’s leading public gallery devoted exclusively to contemporary visual art. Prior to the post, she was Executive Director and Chief Curator of the Musée d’art de Joliette in Lanaudière, Quebec, for six years and curator of the Foreman Art Gallery at Bishop’s University from 1998 to 2006, while teaching in the art history departments of both Bishop’s University and the Université du Québec à Montréal. She has numerous years of experience in arts administration, curating, publishing catalogs and organizing exhibitions by emerging, mid-career and established Canadian and international artists alike.

Toronto, Canada

JOSH HEUMAN
Curator of Education & Public Programs, The Power Plant

Josh Heuman joined The Power Plant’s staff in January 2016 as Curator of Education & Public Programs. After starting his museum career in visitor and volunteer services at Joslyn Art Museum in Omaha, Nebraska, he shifted into education at the Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art at Utah State University in Logan; Salt Lake Art Center (now Utah Museum of Contemporary Art); and Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. In addition to organizing programs for audiences of all ages, he has organized dozens of exhibitions, published and presented on art history and pedagogy, and served on juries. He earned a BA and an MA in art history from York University.

Toronto, Canada

SALLY SZWED
Director, Creative Time Summit

Sally Szwed is the Director of the Creative Time Summit, an international convening on the intersection of art and politics. She has contributed to Creative Time’s programs since 2008 and joined the staff full-time in 2012. Previously she served as Program Manager of EFA Project Space, at the Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, in New York City, where she produced exhibitions, workshops, and other events. Sally has organized numerous public programs, including a series of parties welcoming new artists to the city, experimental wine tastings, and projects for Open Engagement and Flux Factory, where she currently co-chairs the Board of Directors. She holds a BFA in sculpture from Syracuse University, and an MA in curatorial practice from California College of the Arts.

New York, USA

NATO THOMPSON
Artistic Director, Creative Time


Philadelphia, USA

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Founded in 1987, The Power Plant Contemporary Art Gallery is Canada’s leading public gallery devoted exclusively to contemporary visual art. It is a vital forum for the advanced artistic culture of our time, offering an exceptional facility and professional support to diverse living artists, while engaging equally diverse audiences in their work.

The Power Plant pursues its activities through exhibitions, publications and public programming that incorporate other areas of culture when they intersect with visual art. thepowerplant.org

EXHIBITIONS ON VIEW
29 September to 31 December 2017

Amalia Pica’s work explores the nature of communication, semiotic systems, metaphor, and the shaping of thought through language. Her exhibition Ears to Speak of will include a new body of work produced specifically for the site, and will continue her investigation into obsolete technologies and the failures and impossibilities of communication.

 Constructed as a visual essay, Sammy Baloji and Filip De Boeck’s exhibition Urban Now: City Life in Congo offers an artistic and ethnographic reflection on what living might mean in Congo’s urban worlds. Urban living in today’s complex postcolonial context constantly attempts to “suture the city,” stitching together pasts and futures in the “urban now”: an attempt to form and capture a more inhabitable and inclusive urban world, where the possibilities of present, collective action and dreams of a shared future continue to thrive in an often divisive uranscape.

Michael Landy continues his process-based approach in his project Demonstration, this time inviting the public to actively participate in creating a wall of protest. Landy will transform the public’s submissions of images, words, texts or slogans that map their feelings, reactions and experiences within Canada’s social and political landscape into drawings that will be pinned directly onto the walls of The Power Plant’s Fleck Clerestory.

PROGRAMS & EVENTS
The Power Plant’s public programs provide numerous opportunities for the public to engage more deeply with the artwork, its makers, curators and other cultural producers. Visit thepowerplant.org for a full schedule of upcoming programs and events.

OPENING NIGHT AT THE POWER PLANT
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017
8.00pm – 11.00pm
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231 QUEENS QUAY WEST
TORONTO

ABOUT THE POWER PLANT

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The stage design for this year’s Creative Time Summit is inspired by the Rights of Nature, a document devised by Public Studio together with Haida lawyer and artist Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson that acknowledges and legally accords nature the same status as people. The wheels of industry and extraction are the backdrop for a stage in which revolution comes to the fore. Recognizing the instability of our times as driven by climate change and displacement, the set demands that we rise in unison, declaring the rights of the original peoples of these homelands together with the rights of nature as one and the same.

PUBLIC STUDIO is the collective art practice of the filmmaker Elle Flanders and the architect Tamira Sawatzky. Public Studio creates large-scale public artworks, lens-based works, films, and immersive installations. Grounded in the personal, social, and political implications of landscape, Public Studio’s multidisciplinary practice engages themes of political dissent, war and militarization, and ecology and urbanization through the activation of site. Public Studio often works in collaboration with other artists. They are based in Toronto.

publicstudio.ca

Maria Hupfield, Solidarity Acknowledgement Banner, acrylic paint on cotton fabric, 24’ x 4’, 2017

Summit attendees and participants are greeted by Maria Hupfield’s, Solidarity Acknowledgement Banner, installed in the lobby outside of Koerner Hall.

Solidarity Acknowledgement Banner looks at the language and symbols of land and territorial acknowledgment with respect to place-based Indigenous Knowledge and Anishinaabe Intelligence. This work combines conceptual text-based art with concrete poetry. Presented as a continuous uninterrupted presence against the window perimeter of Koerner Hall, the work prompts engagement with what it means to act in awakened solidarity with Indigenous peoples. Rather than restate a literal local acknowledgment, Maria Hupfield points to the reciprocal nature of critical accountability to Indigenous Nations leading the movement for resurgence, decolonization, and reclamation of their homelands in North America. The work emphasizes the importance of building radical solidarity among Indigenous peoples, settlers, and people of color. As is the case with much of Hupfield’s work, the banner is to be activated during a live performance at a future date.

Maria Hupfield is a guest curator for Nuit Blanche Toronto 2017, she is a member of the Anishinabek Nation from Wasauksing First Nation, Ontario and lives in Brooklyn, New York.
DAY ONE SCHEDULE
Koerner Hall, The Royal Conservatory of Music
273 Bloor St W, Toronto

10.00 AM  INTRODUCTIONS
Land Acknowledgment:
Garry Sault, Ojibway Elder
Storyteller
Mississaugas of the
New Credit First Nation
Welcoming Remarks:
Gaëtane Verna
Nato Thompson

3.00 PM  STATEMENT: STANDING ROCK
Cannupa Hanska Luger

3.10 PM  SECTION 3: LABOR
Carlos Marentes
Carol Condé & Karl Beveridge
Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons
Tings Chak

3.40 PM  BREAK

4.25 PM  PERFORMANCE
Allora and Calzadilla

4.40 PM  STATEMENT: TURKEY
Vasif Kortun

5.20 PM  SECTION 4: LIBERTY
Srećko Horvat
Sylvia McAdam
Nabil al-Raee
Kinana Issa

6.20 PM  CLOSING
Nasim Asgari, Tehran-born,
Toronto-based poet and artist

10.30 AM  SECTION 1: LAND
Wanda Nanibush
Huhana Smith
Bouchra Khalili
Postcommodity

4.50 PM  CONVERSATION
Chto Delat
Nato Thompson

11.30 AM  CONVERSATION
Coco Fusco
Elvira Dyangani Ose

5.20 PM  SECTION 4: LIBERTY

11.55 AM  IN LOVING MEMORY
Theodore Rehn Purves

6.20 PM  CLOSING

12.05 PM  SECTION 2: LOVE & LIVING
Syrus Marcus Ware
Kent Monkman
Crack Rodriguez
Máret Ánne Sara
Wael Shawky

8.00 PM  QUEER CITY: BOOK LAUNCH & DANCE PARTY
See page 32 for details.

12.20 PM  LUNCH

2.30 PM  KEYNOTE: REVOLUTION? HOMELAND?
Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak

8.30 PM  QUEER CITY: BOOK LAUNCH & DANCE PARTY
SECTION 1: LAND
10.30am

Beyond extractive capitalism, we may imagine multiple material, social, affective and spiritual relations to land. Presenters in this section address themes of colonialist and capitalist accumulation by dispossession; indigenous land epistemologies; environmental justice in a more-than-human world; and questions of refugeeism, hospitality, borders and belonging.

Wanda Nanibush, Huhana Smith, Bouchra Khalili, Postcommodity
Coco Fusco writes essays and books, performs and makes videos. She also teaches art and visual culture studies. Her latest book, Dangerous Moves: Performance and Politics in Cuba (Tate Publications, 2015), was recently issued in Spanish by Turner Libros. She is currently collaborating with the Cuban artist Sandra Ceballos on a cultural exchange project in Havana.

Miami, USA

WANDA NANIBUSH
Assistant Curator, Canadian & Indigenous Art, Art Gallery of Ontario

Wanda Nanibush is an Anishinaabe-kwe image and word warrior, curator and community organizer living in her territory of Chimnissing. Nanibush is also an educator and an activist, participating in important demonstrations such as the 2013 Idle No More national protests for indigenous rights. A curator at Art Gallery of Ontario, Nanibush works to visualize and expand the scope of Indigenous art in Canada.

Toronto, Canada

HUGHAN SMITH
Artist, Architect

Dr. Huhana Smith (Ngāti Tukorehe, Ngāti Raukawa ki Te Tonga) is an artist and academic with wide-ranging experience in Māori customary and contemporary art and museum practice, exhibition planning and implementation (nationally and internationally), and working with indigenous knowledge and science research. She is Head of Art at Massey University, Wellington, and advocates for active participatory, multidisciplinary, collaborative and kaupapa Māori research projects, particularly around major environmental and climate change issues.

Wellington, New Zealand

BOUCHRA KHALILI
Artist

Bouchra Khalili is an artist working with film, video, installation, and prints. Among her recent solo exhibitions are Living Labour, Wexner Center for the Arts (2017); The Mapping Journey Project, The Museum of Modern Art (2016); Foreign Office, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, and Garden Conversation, MACBA, Barcelona (both 2015). Her work was also included in documenta 14 and the Milano Triennale (2017). The Future of History, Kunsthau, Zurich (2015); Positions, Van Abbemuseum (2014); and The Encyclopedic Palace, 55th Venice Biennale (2013). She is an Ibsen Award recipient.

Berlin, Germany; Oslo, Norway

POSTCOMMODITY
Collective

Postcommodity is an Indigenous, intermedia art collective based in the American Southwest. Its land-based interventions and multimedia installations address borders as sites of exclusion as well as contact, fundamentally social spaces where land, too, has its say. Postcommodity is Raven Chacon, Cristóbal Martinez, and Kade L. Twist.

USA

ELVIRA DYANGANI OSE
Senior Curator, Creative Time

Elvira Dyangani Ose is Lecturer in Visual Cultures at Goldsmiths, independent curator and member of the Thought Council at the Fondazione Prada, where she has curated the exhibitions Theaster Gates’s True Value, Nástio Mosquito’s T.T.T. Template Temples of Tenacity and Betye Saar: Uneasy Dancer, among others. She was part of the curatorial team of the Biennale de l’Image en Mouvement 2016 in Geneva, Curator of the eighth edition of the Göteborg International Biennial for Contemporary art (GIBCA 2015) and Curator, International Art at Tate Modern (2011 – 14). Previously, Dyangani Ose served as Curator at the Centro Atlántico de Arte Contemporáneo, as Artistic Director of Rencontres Picha, Lubumbashi Biennial (2013), and as Guest Curator of the triennial SUD, Salon Urbain de Douala (2010). She has curated, among others, the retrospective exhibition Carrie Mae Weems: Social Studies (2010) and the interdisciplinary project Across the Board (2012 – 14). Dyangani Ose has contributed to art journals such as Nka and Atlântica and has served as guest editor of Caderno Sesc_Videobrasil 10.

London, UK
In What We Want Is Free, Ted suggested that to “refuse who we are,” based on Foucault’s “The Subject and Power,” might be a worthy goal in this day and age.

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He lives on in us.

SECTION 2: LOVE & LIVING

12.05pm

The realm of everyday practice is a space for resistance. Artists and storytellers in this section speak to the generative power of the “ordinary” and of loving actions and affects. They consider how a radical politics of care; queer forms of kinship and worldmaking; and alternative modes of re-membering, witnessing and healing embody decolonial praxis.

Syrus Marcus Ware, Kent Monkman, Crack Rodriguez, Máret Ánne Sara, Wael Shawky

In Loving Memory

11.55am

THEODORE REHN PURVES

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Wael Shawky’s work tackles notions of national, religious and artistic identity through film, performance and storytelling. Whether instructing Bedouin children to act out the construction of an airport runway in the desert or organizing a heavy metal concert in a remote Egyptian village, Shawky frames contemporary culture through the lens of historical tradition and vice versa. Mixing truth and fiction, childlike wonder and spiritual doctrine, Shawky has staged epic recreations of the medieval clashes between Muslims and Christians in his trilogy of puppet animations: Cabaret Crusades: The Horror Show Files (2010), The Path to Cairo (2012) and The Secrets of Karbala (2015). In 2010, Shawky founded the educational space MASS Alexandria.

Alexandria, Egypt

Victor “Crack” Rodriguez is a contemporary artist based in El Salvador who engages the public in his works as a catalyst for social change. His practice includes performance, video, photography and installation and focuses on the abuse of power upon socially and economically disadvantaged populations. Rodriguez is also a member of the collective The Fire Theory, whose collaborative artistic productions include interdisciplinary interventions in public space.

San Tecla, El Salvador; Brooklyn, New York

Kent Monkman is an artist of Cree ancestry, well known for his provocative reinterpretations of romantic North American landscapes. He explores colonization, sexuality, loss, and resilience — the complexities of historical and contemporary Native American experience — in a variety of mediums, including painting, film/video, performance, and installation. His work is represented in the National Gallery of Canada, the Denver Art Museum, Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, the Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, the Art Gallery of Ontario, among others. He is represented by Pierre-François Ouellette art contemporain, Trepanier Baer Gallery and Peters Projects.

Toronto, Canada

Kent Monkman

Artist

Syrus Marcus Ware uses painting, installation and performance to explore social justice frameworks and black activist culture. He is a facilitator/designer at The Banff Centre, and for 12 years was the coordinator of the Art Gallery of Ontario Youth Program. Syrus is the inaugural Daniel’s Spectrum Artist-in-Residence (2016/17) and is also a core team member of Black Lives Matter — Toronto.

Toronto, Canada

Syrus Marcus Ware

Vanier Scholar, Visual Artist, Activist, Curator, Educator

CRACK RODRIGUEZ

Artist, Social Worker

Máret Ánne Sara’s work deals with political and social issues affecting the Sami and reindeer-herding communities. Sara has created posters, CD / LP covers, scene visuals and fabric prints for a number of Sami artists, designers and institutions. She is the founder of the Daiddadallu Artist Collective and has published two novels. In 2014 Sara was nominated for the Nordic Council’s Children’s and Young Literature Prize for her debut book Ilmimid gaskkas (In between worlds). Sara’s project Pile o’Sápmi was presented at Documenta 14 in Kassel in 2017.

Kautokeino, Norway

MÁRET ÁNNE SARA

Artist, Author, Journalist

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MIROR SHIELD PROJECT, 2016, CANNUPA HANSKA LUGER

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MIROR SHIELD PROJECT, 2016, CANNUPA HANSKA LUGER
KEYNOTE: REVOLUTION? HOMELAND?
2.30pm

GAYATRI CHAKRAVORTY SPIVAK
University Professor in the Humanities, Columbia University

Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak is University Professor at Columbia University. Among her many books are *Critique of Postcolonial Reason* (1999), *Other Asias* (2008) and *Aesthetic Education in the Era of Globalization* (2012). She has translated Jacques Derrida and Bengali poetry and fiction. She is deeply engaged in rural teacher training and ecological agriculture. She has received many honorary doctorates, the Kyoto Prize, the Padma Bhushan from the President of India, and the award for Lifetime Scholarly Achievement from the Modern Language Association.

New York, NY, USA

This keynote is generously supported by Partners In Art

STATEMENT: STANDING ROCK
3.00pm

CANNUPA HANSKA LUGER
Multidisciplinary Artist

Cannupa Hanska Luger is a multidisciplinary artist of Mandan/Hidatsa/Arikara/Lakota descent. His work communicates stories of complex Indigenous identities that come up against 21st-century challenges, including human alienation from, and destruction of the land to which we all belong. He provokes diverse publics to engage with Indigenous peoples and values apart from the lens of colonial social structuring.

Santa Fe, New Mexico; Fort Yates, North Dakota

SECTION 3: LABOR
3.10pm

Precarity is a defining feature of late capitalism. Presenters in this section speak to the conditions of urban and rural marginality, austerity politics, anti-capitalist organizing and emergent modes of assembling, solidarity and collectivity.

Elizabeth Mpofu, Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons, Carole Condé, Karl Beveridge, Tings Chak
CARLOS MARENTES
Director of the Border Agricultural Workers Project and Coordinator at La Vía Campesina

Carlos Marentes, a native of the Juárez-El Paso border region, is a farm labor organizer and farm worker advocate. Marentes is the founder and director of the Border Agricultural Workers Project (BAWP), an effort to organize the farm workers of the US-Mexico border, especially the chile pickers, in the fields and in their communities in both sides of the border. He participates in many local, state and national organizations that deal with issues of poverty, economic inequality, environment and climate problems, and coordinates the International Collective on Migrants and Rural Workers of La Vía Campesina.

MÁRIA MAGDALENA CAMPOS-PONS
Artist

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Jennifer Allora and Guillermo Calzadilla have been collaborating since 1995. Their work critically addresses the intersections and complicities between the cultural, the historical, and the geopolitical. The interdisciplinary nature of their interventions is echoed by an expanded use of artistic medium including performance, sculpture, sound, video, and photography. Their dynamic engagement with the art historical results in an acute attention to both the conceptual and the material, the metaphoric as well as the literal.

San Juan, Puerto Rico

YARA MELENDES ORDÓÑEZ

Yara is a vocalist and concert cellist. She has also ventured into the world of voice acting, and currently has begun working as an interpreter and translator.

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4.40pm

VASIF KORTUN
Curator, Writer, Teacher

Vasif Kortun pursues interdisciplinary research in the fields of contemporary visual art, archives, spatial practices and their institutions. With extensive knowledge and experience in establishing mission-driven institutions such as SALT, Kortun advises art organizations on long-term strategies, design and building processes and assembling interdisciplinary teams. Kortun is on the board of directors of the Foundation for Arts Initiatives, and serves as the managing editor for L’Internationale.

Balıkesir, Turkey

CONVERSATION:
CHTO DELAT & NATHO THOMPSON

4.50pm

The collective Chto Delat (What is to be done?) was founded in early 2003 by artists, critics, philosophers and writers from Russia with the goal of merging political theory, art and activism. Their artistic activity utilizes a variety of media — from education practices to film, theater, radio programs, publishing newspapers, murals, seminars and public campaigns.

St. Petersburg, Russia
SECTION 4: LIBERTY

5.20pm

Now is the moment for transnational movements of solidarity, especially in the face of the global turn to the right. Presenters in this section address the politics and aesthetics of revolutionary praxis, the grammars of (neo)coloniality, and the possibilities for anti-capitalist organizing, anti-racist solidarity, and queer and trans liberation.

Srećko Horvat, Sylvia McAdam, Nabil al-Raee, Kinana Issa

SREČKO HORVAT
Philosopher; co-founder of DIEM25 (Democracy in Europe Movement 2025) Via Campesina and smallholder farmer

Born in Croatia, the philosopher and activist Srećko Horvat is regarded as one of the “central figures of the new left in post-Yugoslavia”. He has authored more than ten books, including What Does Europe Want? and The Radicals of Love. He regularly writes for the Guardian, the New York Times and on Al Jazeera and together with Greece’s former finance minister Yanis Varoufakis has founded DIEM25 (Democracy in Europe Movement).

Croatia

SYLVIA MCADAM
Activist, Lawyer

Sylvia McAdam (Saysewahum) is a direct descendant of Treaty peoples and is from the nêhiyaw Nation. Sylvia holds a JD from the University of Saskatchewan and a BHS from the University of Regina. Sylvia is co-founder of the award-winning, global grassroots Indigenous-led movement Idle No More. Idle No More has changed the political and social landscape of Canada as well as reached the global community to defend and protect all lands, water and animals from devastation and climate change. Sylvia is the author of Nationhood Interrupted: Revitalizing nêhiyaw Legal Systems (2015) and Cultural Teachings: First Nations Protocols and Methodologies (2009).

Big River Reserve, Treaty Six Territory

NABIL AL-RAEE
Playwright, Theater Director

Nabil al-Raee was born and raised in the Palestinian refugee camp Al-Arroub. He joined Theatre Day Productions in the 1990s and travelled to Tunisia and Europe before returning to Palestine. He joined the Freedom Theatre in 2007 as a trainer and went on to become Artistic Director, continuing co-founder Juliano Mer-Khamis’s work after his murder. Nabil al-Raee has directed many notable productions, including The Siege and travels globally delivering workshops and participating in conferences.

Jenin, Palestine

KINANA ISSA
Writer, Audiovisual Artist

Kinana Issa utilizes her writing and art as a form of loyalty to humanity. She has produced more than ten experimental audio-visual works and authored the script for Gardens Speak, an interactive sound installation containing the oral histories of 10 people buried in Syrian gardens. She has also sat on the committee of the Syrian Film Festival in Toronto and has written for Associated Press and Al Jazeera Children. Issa is currently an honorary fellow of the International Writing Program at Iowa University.

Toronto, Canada
Media Partners

Creative Time is proud to be working with media partners who will amplify our reach as we draw connections with global issues, and will provide deeper engagement for our remote participants and screening sites joining us via Livestream.

ArtsEverywhere | Musagetes
As a media partner of the Creative Time Summit, ArtsEverywhere has commissioned a series of essays that take the Summit theme, Of Homelands and Revolution, as a provocation for further inquiry. ArtsEverywhere is Musagetes’ online media platform for artistic experimentation and exploration of the fault lines of modern society.

Musagetes and ArtsEverywhere, an online media platform for the arts, invite you to the launch of two new books on the intersections of art, gender, sexuality, and urbanism.

Original essays responding to the Creative Time Summit: Of Homelands and Revolution commissioned by:

**Aylan Couchie**, an Anishinaabe artist from Nipissing First Nation, pursuing graduate studies on Indigenous monument and public art.

**Kimberly Mair**, sociologist at the University of Lethbridge and author of Guerrilla Aesthetics: Art, Memory, and the West German Urban Guerrilla.

**Erin Silver**, historian of queer and feminist art, visual culture, performance, and activism; assistant professor at the University of British Columbia.

**Kenneth Hayes** is an architectural historian and a critic/curator of contemporary art who is originally from Sudbury, and who resides there once again. In 2008 his first book of art criticism, Milk and Melancholy, was published by Prefix and MIT presses, and he undertook writing the curriculum for the Laurentian School of Architecture. In 2010 he completed a Ph.D. in Architectural History at Middle East Technical University in Ankara, Turkey.

Musagetes invites Summit participants to the launch of Queer City, a Reader and Sex of the Oppressed.

Glad Day Bookshop (499 Church St, Toronto)
Friday, September 29, 8.00pm – 2.30am
Free Event; food will be provided.

Dance Party by **DJ BlackCat**

**Queer City, a Reader**
A São Paulo-based collective inquiry into how can we understand the contemporary city through a queer, intersectional, non-normative lens. Book presentation by Todd Lanier Lester and Shawn Van Sluys.

**Sex of the Oppressed** by Nikolay Oleynikov of the Chto Delat collective. An experiment in introspection about sexualities, gender and radical sensibilities in Soviet and post-Soviet culture. Nikolay will read from the book, followed by Q & A.

**Global Voices** executive director, Ivan Sigal, will help drive online conversations with Summit speakers and participants and, connecting Summit topics to communities elsewhere in the world.

**Ivan Sigal** is the executive director of Global Voices, a Kluge Fellow at the Library of Congress, the board chair for the Open Society Foundation’s Documentary Photography Project, a former fellow of Harvard University's Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society, a co-founder of Screen Projects, and a 2016 Logan Nonfiction Fellow at the Carey Institute for Global Good.

His photography is in the collections of the Corcoran Gallery, the National Gallery of Art and in private collections. He is the author of White Road, a two-volume monograph about Siberia and Central Asia (Steidl, 2012). This work was a solo exhibit at the Corcoran Gallery in Washington D.C. in 2012-2013. His work has also been featured in numerous group shows and publications.
DAY TWO
Saturday, September 30
SESSIONS AT THE ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO
317 Dundas St W, Toronto

The second day of the Summit features more than 30 conversations, workshops, and field trips held in and around the Art Gallery of Ontario. The majority of these sessions are organized by artists, cultural workers, and community leaders from the greater Toronto area who were selected via an open call, while others were organized by Summit Advisory Council members and presenters. Intended to supplement the first day of presentations, and also bring new urgencies into discussion, the sessions invite attendees into a more intimate space of exchange to share specific tools and tactics that make creative, progressive praxis possible. Sessions cover an array of thematic content such as indigenous knowledge, inclusivity in cultural venues, and environmental justice, offering time and space for participants to learn, discuss, and connect in smaller groups.

Breakout sessions require preregistration and are capped according to venue size. Please visit the Summit website to learn more about the topics and to sign up!

ABOUT THE ART GALLERY OF ONTARIO

With a collection of more than 90,000 works of art, the Art Gallery of Ontario is among the most distinguished art museums in North America. From the vast body of Group of Seven and signature Canadian works to the African art gallery, from cutting-edge contemporary art to Peter Paul Rubens’s masterpiece The Massacre of The Innocents, the AGO offers an incredible art experience with each visit. In 2002 Ken Thomson’s generous gift of 2,000 remarkable works of Canadian and European art inspired Transformation AGO, an innovative architectural expansion by the world-renowned architect Frank Gehry that in 2008 resulted in one of the most critically acclaimed architectural achievements in North America. Highlights include Galleria Italia, a gleaming showcase of wood and glass running the length of an entire city block, and the often photographed spiral staircase, beckoning visitors to explore. The AGO has an active membership program offering great value, and the AGO’s Weston Family Learning Centre offers engaging art and creative programs for children, families, youth and adults. Visit ago.net to learn more.

Sessions at the AGO were co-organized with Sean O’Neill, Director of Public Programs and Partnerships.
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DAY TWO SCHEDULE
Art Gallery of Ontario, 317 Dundas St W, Toronto

11.00 AM SESSION 1
SAVAC
Vasif Kortun
Henry Heng Lu, Shellie Zhang, Morris Lum & Alvis Choi
Kim Fullerton, Lindsay Fisher, Eliza Chandler, Saada El-Akhrass, Katie McMillan & Anne Zbitnew
Gobboo Amani
Gerald McMaster & Andrew Hunter
Lisa Hirmer
Shaiista Latif, Pamila Matharu, Esmaa Mohamoud & Lisa Deanne Smith
Honor Ford-Smith, Andil Gosine & Lisa Myers
Alexa Hatanaka, Patrick Thompson & Parr Josephhee
Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons

2.30 PM BREAK

3.00 PM SESSION 3
Sana A. Malik, Nehal El Hadi & Leyla Joyte
Cannrupa Hanska Luger, Wanda Nanibush & Sylvia McAdam
Amy Fung, Christina Battle, Jocelyn Bruneau, Esme Hogeweey, Yaniya Lee, Marima Fathailia & Scott Miller Berry
Zahra Komeylian & Aia’ Al-Thibe
Bouchra Kahlili
Alok Vaid-Menon, Barak adé Soleil & Fallon Simard presented by Whippersnapper Gallery
Chris Cavanagh
Diane Borsato
Phillip Dwight Morgan
Emelie Chhangur

12.00 PM LUNCH

1.30 PM SESSION 2
Indu Vashist, Amy Fung & Sharlene Bamboat
Huhana Smith
Maria Hupfield, Siku Allooloo & Jaskirin Dhillon
Wael Shawkly & Sean O’Neill
Syrus Marcus Ware
Jon Olbey & Bryant Greenbaum
Ana Serrano, Heather Mathis, Victor Willis, Justin Stephenson & Douglas Rushkoff
Christine Migwans
Feminist Art Museum
Leah Snyder, Cheryl L’Hirondelle & Camille Turner
Pamela Edmonds, Chiedza Pasipanodya, Mark V. Campbell, Yaniya Lee & Genevieve Wallen
Amy Wong, Annie Wong, Basil AlZeri, Emmie Tsumura, Marilyn Fernandes & Regina Wong of the Angry Asian Feminist Gang (AAFG)

2.30 PM BREAK

4.30 PM CLOSING CEREMONY
Public Studio

7.00 PM A MONUMENT TO THE CENTURY OF REVOLUTIONS
for Nuit Blanche Toronto at Nathan Philips Square.

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SESSION 1
11.00am - 12.00pm

SCREENING: NUCLEAR HALLUCINATIONS

Nuclear Hallucinations (India/UK 2016) is a film by Fatima Nizaruddin, which claims to be a documentary and is centered on the anti-nuclear struggle against the Kudankulam Atomic Power Project in South India. The film questions the totalitarian nature of pro-nuclear assertions through comic modes. Satirical impersonations, performance and ironic renderings of jingoistic rhetoric work together to form a narrative that explores the tragic absurdity of constructing nuclear power plants on a tsunami-affected coast.

LED BY: INDU VASHIST, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF SAVAC
SAVAC (South Asian Visual Arts Centre) is a non-profit, artist-run center in Canada dedicated to increasing the visibility of culturally diverse artists by curating and exhibiting their work, providing mentorship, facilitating professional development and creating a community for artists. SAVAC was founded to be an organization staffed by people of color, committed to support the work of artists of color.

INSTRUMENT MAKING WORKSHOP WITH JASON KENEMY AND KINNGAIT YOUTH, 2016, PA SYSTEM AND EMBASSY OF IMAGINATION (ALEXA HATANAKA AND PATRICK THOMPSON)
CAN THE EXILED SEEK REFUGE?
This round table asks how to do address the conditions of exile today when dissidents are not often allowed to flee but instead rot away in jails. Is there a place for exiled cultural producers and intellectuals? Are there ways to turn this tragedy into a productive context?

LED BY: VASIF KORTUN
For bio see page 28.

(Re-)POSITIONING TORONTO CHINATOWNS WITH CHINESE CANADIAN ART
This roundtable will start with a series of short talks on how Chinatown as a site, subject and notion has influenced and been explored and manifested in the presenters’ practices. The session will open up for discussion the politics and dynamics surrounding Toronto’s Chinatowns through the lens of artistic gesture, especially with a critical look at the recently accelerated gentrification within.

LED BY: HENRY HENG LU, SHELLIE ZHANG, MORRIS LUM, ALVIS CHOI
A.K.A ALVIS PARSLEY
Four Toronto-based artists and community organizers who are active participants in the cultural endeavors of the Chinese Canadian community.

ACCESS IN TRANSITION
The Access Coalition of Toronto (ACT) will lead a roundtable discussion featuring leaders from organizations blazing the way in developing assessment, training, educational and experiential resources regarding accessibility and inclusivity in cultural venues. Bring your own ideas and experiences to share in a conversation about how we can all work toward barrier-free environments in our communities.

LED BY: KIM FULLERTON, LINDSAY FISHER, ELIZA CHANDLER, SAADA EL-AKHRASS, KATIE MCMILLAN, ANNE ZBITNEW FROM ACCESS COALITION OF TORONTO (ACT)
Saada El-Akhrass is the Arts Manager | Directrice, arts | Canada, British Council and leader of Access Activators. Eliza Chandler is Assistant Professor, School of Disability Studies, Ryerson University and Co-director of Bodies in Translation: Activist Art, Technology, and Access to Life. Lindsay Fisher is a curator and founder of Project Creative Users. Kim Fullerton is the Director of Akimbo Art Promotions and co-founder of Access Visual Art (AVA). Katie McMillan is the Interim Executive Director of Tangled Art and Disability. Anne Zbitnew is a Professor, Media Foundation Certificate, School of Media Studies and Information Technology, Humber College.

UNSETTING SETTLERS: INTERVENTION AND BOARD GAME
Aiming to interrupt the game space of Settlers of Catan, this session employs strategies that strengthen the players’ ability to imagine and practice critical alternatives and counter hegemonic narratives of settlement on the landscape. Players will work through strategies of allyship by collecting renewable resources, blocking expansion and development, building treaties and reclaiming land on virtual landscapes.

LED BY: GOLBOO AMANI
Working within a social practice Golbo Amani often relies on familiar social engagements as a point of entry into her artwork. Amani’s work addresses the conditions of knowledge production that render epistemic violence as insignificant and benign. Amani highlights the potentiality of non-hierarchical pedagogical experiences that speak to collective agency and egalitarian epistemology.

ENTANGLED GAZE
A conversation between Andrew Hunter and Gerald McMaster on the Indigenous and Euro-Canadian views of each.

LED BY: GERALD MCMASTER, ANDREW HUNTER
Gerald McMaster is a curator, artist, author, and professor of Indigenous Visual Culture and Critical Curatorial Studies at OCAD University. Andrew Hunter is an accomplished artist, writer and educator and the former Fredrik S. Eaton Curator, Canadian Art, at the Art Gallery of Ontario.

ON HOSPITALITY: A CONVERSATION OVER TEA
Focused on sharing tea together, this session is a performative conversation about the contradictory nature of hospitality, which at the same time that it is generous, subtly reaffirms the position of whoever is offering that hospitality. It is an exchange premised on the host being in control, something that has the potential to be productive as well as problematic.

LED BY: LISA HIRMER
Lisa Hirmer is an interdisciplinary artist whose practice spans visual media, social practice, performance and art-based forms of research. Her work is focused on exploring the public life of ideas and disrupting barriers that prevent change within human ecologies.

THE BIAS BULL-EYES: WORKSHOPPING OPPRESSION AWARENESS
The workshop leads attendees through anti-oppression exercises to explore personal values, responsibility, group consensus based on evidence rather than bias, oppression awareness and ethics in relation to publicly funded art institutions.

LED BY: SHAISTA LATIF, PAMILA MATHARU, ESMAA MOHAMOUD, LISA DEANNE SMITH
Members of the Bias Bulls-Eye team participate in Toronto’s cultural community and actively seek to address multiple equity and inclusion issues through systemic change.
OUTSIDE THE SILOS: ART PRACTICES AS ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Three practicing artists working in the academy but outside fine arts departments and art schools share their experiences and create a roundtable conversation about the advantages, challenges and ambivalences of working in, across and especially outside institutional silos.

LED BY: HONOR FORD-SMITH, ANDIL GOSINE, LISA MYERS

Full-time faculty members in Cultural and Artistic Practices at the Faculty of Environmental Studies, York University, Ford-Smith, Gosine and Myers are also practicing artists in visual arts and performance. They have individually produced various scholarly and creative works, and have exhibited at galleries and museums internationally.

COLLABORATION, YOUTH AND CONNECTION: DRAWING AND TOUR

This facilitated drawing game will be between participants and youth in Kinngait (Cape Dorset, Nunavut) using the Connected North Teleconference system. Facilitators will also lead a discussion while touring their installation Towards Something New and Beautiful + Future Snowmachines in Kinngait, which is part of Every. Then: Reframing Nationhood at the Art Gallery of Ontario.

LED BY: ALEXA HATANAKA, PATRICK THOMPSON (PA SYSTEM, EMBASSY OF IMAGINATION)

PA System (Alexa Hatanaka and Patrick Thompson) create collaborative and socially engaged projects in the high Arctic, including their ongoing project with Inuit youth in the remote community of Kinngait (Cape Dorset, Nunavut) called Embassy of Imagination (Parr Josephee). Embassy of Imagination engages Kinngait youth in contemporary art practice, including public murals in Canada’s urban centers.

CULTURAL RESISTANCE

Maria Magdalena Campos-Pons’ work reconstructs the history of survival of the Cuban culture, religion, and its people. In this round table discussion participants will explore narratives of cultural resistance, while raising topical issues of artistic labor, collaboration, and working with local contexts in the framework of global art events.

LED BY: MARÍA MAGDALENA CAMPOS-PONS

For bio see page 26.

SESSION 2

1.30pm – 2.30pm

UNPROGRAMMABILITY: A DISCUSSION ON THE ETHICS AND AESTHETICS OF WORKING OUT OF CONTEXT

Using the film screening of Nuclear Hallucinations as a foundation for the conversation, Indu Vashist converses with Amy Fung and Sharlene Bamboat about the politics, aesthetics and ethics of what makes a work programmable. Facilitators will navigate the challenges of curating works outside their original contexts, speaking to ideas of censorship, translation and accessibility.

LED BY: INDU VASHIST, AMY FUNG, SHARLENE BAMBOAT

Indu Vashist is the Executive Director of SAVAC (South Asian Visual Arts Centre), a non-profit, artist-run center in Canada dedicated to increasing the visibility of culturally diverse artists. Amy Fung is a writer, researcher and curator currently based in Toronto, with a specialization in criticism, poetics, and the moving image. Sharlene Bamboat is a multidisciplinary artist working predominantly in moving image installation. She has exhibited internationally at Les Complices* (Zurich), the Images Festival (Toronto), the Art Gallery of Windsor (Ontario), and Vasakh Film Festival (Lahore).
MATĀURANGA MAORI, ART, DESIGN AND SCIENCE: EXHIBITIONS AS TOOLS FOR ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS

This session is an opportunity for attendees to discuss Huhana Smith’s research in major environmental projects. Since 1995 she has been involved with her āti and hapū in collaborative, multidisciplinary, kaupapa Māorí and action-research projects, which investigate freshwater decline into the marine for Māorí water/coastal lands and related biodiversity. More recently, her research addresses climate change concerns for the coastal Horowhenua to Kāpiti regions. Art and design’s visual systems are used to supplement mātauranga Māorí methods and science. When combined in exhibitions as research techniques, they expand how solutions might integrate complex issues to make those solutions more accessible for local communities.

LED BY: HUHANA SMITH
For bio see page 18.

IN CONVERSATION: BECOMING AN ACCOMPLICE

Co-conspirators Siku Allooloo and Jaskiran Dhillon with Maria Hupfield will talk about the motivations behind the commissioned project In Conversation: Becoming an Accomplice curated by Hupfield for Life on Neebahgeezis: A Luminous Engagement, Many Possible Futures, Nuit Blanche 2017 City of Toronto. Allooloo and Dhillon will talk about what it means to act in awakened solidarity with Indigenous peoples — a step toward becoming a politicized accomplice — as opposed to the term ally which often projects the illusion of change, while simultaneously reproducing colonial power dynamics of the status quo.

LED BY: MARIA HUPFIELD, SIKU ALLOOLOO, JASKIRAN DHILLON
Allooloo is Inuit/Taino, a writer, environmental activist and community organizer from Denendeh, Northwest Territories. Dhillon is a first-generation academic and advocate who grew up on Treaty Six Cree/Metis Territory in Saskatchewan and a Professor of Global Studies and Anthropology, the New School New York. Her book Prairie Rising: Indigenous Youth, Decolonization and the Politics of Intervention (2017), is published by University of Toronto Press. Maria Hupfield is a guest curator for Nuit Blanche Toronto 2017. She is a member of the Anishinaabe Nation from Wasauksing First Nation, Ontario, and lives in Brooklyn.

CABARET CRUSADES

Wael Shawky uses a range of media to produce work that explores issues of history, religion, culture and the effects of globalization on today’s society. We will view and discuss together key parts of Shawky’s ambitious film trilogy Cabaret Crusades, in which he focuses on the complex historical and sociopolitical narratives surrounding the Christian Holy Wars. Shawky engages with history, including interpretations of history, as raw material. ‘History and theatre are caught up in each other…the cabaret is a stage for history, as a performance. But for me, as someone who does not believe in any single version of history, this uncertainty is of fundamental importance’.

LED BY: WAEL SHAWKY, SEAN O’NEILL
Sean O’Neill is the Director, Public Programs & Cultural Partnerships at the Art Gallery of Ontario. At the AGO, Sean leads the development and implementation of talks, screenings, performances, concerts, artist residencies and special events for adult, youth and family audiences. He also oversees special projects and major partnerships between the AGO and other cultural organizations. He was the founding programmer of AGO First Thursdays and led the development of Creative Minds, a bi-annual series of events co-presented by the AGO, Massey Hall, CBC and Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity. He also is the host of the CBC’s art-focused primetime television show Crash Gallery.
For Wael Shawky’s bio see page 23.

BEHIND THE SCENES OF THE ACTIVIST PORTRAIT SERIES

Drawing on Syrus Marcus Ware’s Activist Portrait Series, this discussion will go behind the scenes, featuring a conversation with the activists depicted in the artist’s work Baby, don’t worry, you know that we got you, currently on display at the Art Gallery of Ontario. Ware uses large-format portraiture as a means to render invisible lives visible, featuring trans activists, political heroes and people with disabilities, to celebrate activist culture and lives. The session will discuss recent uprisings, life in the movement for black lives and supporting Indigenous resurgence.

LED BY: SYRUS MARCUS WARE
For bio see page 22.

CARDED: AN ILLUSTRATED JOURNEY INTO THE POLICE DISCIPLINE SYSTEM IN TORONTO

This session reviews the problem of police racial profiling (or “carding”) in Toronto while also explaining the legal structures available to citizens to complain about this problem. The performance uses original illustrations by Jon Olbe, who recorded his year long journey learning about Toronto’s police disciplinary system, using the medium of comics. Also, insights from Bryant Greenbaum, a human rights lawyer, and university professor, are included in the presentation as he accompanied Jon, helping him navigate the confusing legal terrain of police oversight while also having discussions with him on the effectiveness of the Toronto police oversight system in which police are charged with “policing” themselves.

LED BY: JON OLBEY & BRYANT GREENBAUM
Jon Olbe is a visual artist and a graduate of the Ontario College of Art and Design. His ancestral routes can be traced to the oldest African-Canadian communities in Canada. Dr. Bryant Greenbaum is a Toronto human rights lawyer and university professor at Ryerson University in Toronto. Previously he was the Director of Legal Services at the African Canadian Legal Clinic in Toronto, and the Director of the Integrated Justice Cluster at the South African Department of National Treasury in Tshwane/Pretoria.
SETTLER COLONIAL SOCIETIES
WHY INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE MATTERS: CREATING NEW MORAL FABRICS IN
LED BY: CHRI...
CREATIVE REVOLUTIONS, CREATING HOMELANDS

Art and creativity are fast becoming the root and centre of Indigenous social movements for sovereignty as well as water and land protection. This panel of artists and land/water protectors asks: How are these creative actions like posters, installations, performances, and the round dance forming new social movements for Indigenous Peoples? Why is creativity at the heart of our homelands? What vision do artists and creative actions give to our future?

LED BY: CANNUPA HANSKA LUGER, WANDA NANIBUSH, SYLVIA MCADAM
For bios see pages 24, 18, 31.

GHOST INTIMACIES: MICE MAGAZINE ISSUE 3 LAUNCH AND READING

What are the techniques, ritual practices and hauntologies for unsilencing the ghosts and critiquing the ways racism, ableism, patriarchy, transphobia and homophobia alienate us from their and our stories? Please join the MICE Magazine Collective in reading and discussing together the newly released Issue 03: Ghost Intimacies.

LED BY: AMY FUNG, CHRISTINA BATTLE, JACLYN BRUNEAU, ESME HOGEVEEN, YANIYA LEE, MARINA FATHALLA, SCOTT MILLER BERRY
MICE [Moving Image Culture Etc.] Magazine is an online periodical devoted to critical writing and artists’ projects about and within moving-image culture. It is published twice annually in Toronto and has an international focus. Members of MICE Magazine (4:3 Collective) are Amy Fung, Christina Battle, Scott Miller Berry, Jaclyn Bruneau, Jesse Cumming, Ben Donoghue, Esme Hogeveen, Marina Fathalla and Yaniya Lee.

ART AS RESISTANCE: BRIDGING ARTS AND ANTI-Oppressive PRACTICE

The objective of this workshop is to share and build effective arts and social justice tools for artists and art educators working with underserved communities. The workshop will discuss the forms of systemic oppression that profoundly impact marginalized youth within the greater Toronto area, and some arts directives that can be used to engage in critical dialogue. The group will be invited to participate in an activity on cultivating allyship from an anti-oppressive practice lens.

LED BY: BOUCHRA KAHLILI
For bio see page 18.

THE REVOLUTIONARY FORCE OF THE PAST

In this roundtable, Bouchra Khalili will lead a discussion based on her recent work which reactivates forgotten stories of the history of the liberation of North Africa, the Middle-East, and their diaspora.

LED BY: BOUCHRA KAHLILI
For bio see page 18.
FACE VALUE: A CONVERSATION ON THE AESTHETICS OF BELIEVABILITY

What does aesthetics have to do with legibility? What goes into being believed? What are the material benefits of being believable? Join Alok Vaid-Menon, Fallon Simard and Barak adé Soleil in conversation with Whippersnapper Gallery’s Director of Programming Joshua Vettivelu as they explore some of the ways power is bestowed, upheld and named through aesthetic legibility.

LED BY: ALOK VAID-MENON, FALLON SIMARD AND BARAK ADÉ SOLEIL IN CONVERSATION WITH WHIPPERSNAPPER GALLERY’S DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING, JOSHUA VETTIVELU

Fallon Simard is an Anishinabe artist and filmmaker from Couchiching First Nation, in Treaty #3 Territory. They are a gender non-conforming interdisciplinary artist whose work looks at the intersections of land, extraction, mental health and state violence perpetrated on to Indigenous bodies within a context of colonialism. Barak adé Soleil has charted an expansive career as an artist, independent curator, and consultant, cultivating contemporary art within community. Internationally noted and award-winning, his work draws on traditions of the African diaspora, queerness, postmodernism and disability aesthetics. Barak is currently the Artistic Director of Tangled Art + Disability in Toronto. Alok Vaid-Menon is a trans performance artist with a lot of feelings. Their poetic challenge to the gender binary has been internationally renowned.

NEGOTIATING HOME IN CRISIS TIMES: A COLLECTIVE ’ZINE DIALOGUE

This workshop will focus on producing a collective ‘zine. Sharing knowledge and experiences of home, participants can focus on individual production or paired/team production to produce one or more pages that will be assembled at the conclusion of the session.

LED BY: CHRIS CAVANAGH

Chris Cavanagh has been a social justice activist for more than forty years. As a storyteller, popular educator, and community artist, he makes ‘zines and teaches graduate classes at the Faculty of Environmental Studies at York University.

CLOUD PARTY

Toronto artist, professor and amateur naturalist Diane Borsato will lead a practical workshop to develop skills at identifying clouds and other atmospheric effects in the museum. Discarding official art historical narratives presented, Borsato will guide participants through the Canadian galleries on the second floor of the AGO to discuss cloud types, their supplementary features, and other optical environmental phenomena. While we consider works of painting and sculpture, we will also address other aspects of the museum environment, from the humidifiers to the skylights. Questions such as Why are there no rainy days in the Canadian galleries? and other questions will be discussed. Field guides for cloud identification and the weather will be provided for participants.

LED BY: DIANE BORSATO

Diane Borsato is an award-winning Toronto-based artist who has worked with amateur naturalists, students and other artists in public projects in Canada and internationally. She teaches advanced studio art courses in performance, video and social practices at the University of Guelph.

IN OUR OWN WORDS: REVISITING THE BLACK LEXICON THROUGH POETRY

In this session, participants will read, analyze and discuss poems written by Black Canadians over the last fifty years. The poems are taken from a wide-range of positionalities and experiences, and have been selected to help cultivate a fuller understanding of Black identity in Canada. The facilitator will provide participants with important contextual information, and support regarding the poem and/or poet. The primary focus of the session is to critically reflect upon the ways the poems push us toward a richer view of Blackness.

LED BY: PHILLIP DWIGHT MORGAN

Phillip Dwight Morgan is a first-generation Canadian writer of Jamaican heritage. His poetry and short essays have appeared in Briarpatch and Spacing magazines as well as macleans.ca, cbc.ca, and rabble.ca. His poem “Free Trade Agreement” was runner-up for best poem in Briarpatch Magazine’s 2016 Writing from the Margins contest and his poem “Shades of America” received honorable mention for the 2016 Biodwyn Memorial Prize. Phillip’s current project, “Portraits in Black Face,” is being written under the guidance of Moez Surani through the Diaspora Dialogues Mentoring Program, with the support of the Toronto Arts Council.

RASTA PASTA

On this ambulatory journey into the heart of Toronto’s Kensington Market we ask: what might performatively constitute the creation of mixed-raced aesthetics? We consider what “elemental” methodologies, frameworks, processes, protocols, ethics and empathies might inform this practice. Then we will feast on the evidentiary trace of Toronto’s mixed cultural heritage at the street-style, storefront, Jamaican-Italian restaurant Rasta Pasta. We posit that the recipe of art making must change if we are to engage in new traditions that give rise to symbols, solidarities, and cultural manifestations that are that are not singularly sought but collectively contaminated.

LED BY: EMELIE CHHANGUR

Emelie Chhangur is a first-generation, mixed-raced Torontonian (Guyanese/British) dedicated to fostering the future aesthetics of Toronto through long-term participatory projects that bring individuals and groups with no (perceived) natural affinity together into meaningful relation. Her projects appropriate existing dramaturgical formats — i.e., civic ceremonies or street processions — recasting the characters not usually found at the civic heart of her city. During her tenure as curator, Chhangur has transformed the Art Gallery of York University (AGYU) into a socially responsive and civically minded gallery through a practice she calls “IN REACH.”
A MONUMENT TO THE CENTURY OF REVOLUTIONS

September 30 to October 1, 2017
7.00pm – 7.00am

NATHAN PHILLIPS SQUARE
100 QUEEN ST W, TORONTO

The Summit coincides with A Monument to 100 Years of Revolution, a work by renowned Russian collective Chto Delat, curated by Creative Time Artistic Director Nato Thompson, and designed by famed architect Yury Avvakumov (Moscow) for Nuit Blanche Toronto. The immersive installation is a living monument, consisting of an array of containers producing a small village and housing works from Chto Delat and local artist activist groups reflecting on the history and future of revolution. With individual and collective actions on Nathan Phillips Square and stage, City Hall will transform into a veritable mass-shipped revolution that unpacks into a world.

CLOSING CEREMONY: PUBLIC STUDIO

4.30pm

In unison we declare that nature be afforded the same rights as people. We demand the end to extraction and colonial destruction, to war and displacement driven by economic greed. We demand this day that the earth be recentered together with people, we demand that the Canadian government include the Rights of Nature into the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. We say this, we chant this, and we demand our future together. The revolution is coming.

At the end of the day the artists Hiba Abdallah and Ange Loft will lead a Public Studio performance of choral voices declaring the Rights of Nature. Creative Time Summit attendees are invited to participate.

Hiba Abdallah is an artist and organizer exploring the convergence of art and civic engagement through participatory exhibitions and temporary public interventions. Borrowing from dialogic, collaborative, and design strategies, her work explores the complexities of locality and civic agency as forms of social engagement.

Ange Loft is the Associate Artistic Director of Jumblies Theatre, a multidisciplinary artist from Kahnawake Mohawk Territory. An ardent collaborator, arts advocate and amateur historian, she facilitates in interdisciplinary creation, outdoor performance, arts-based research and community art design. She is also a Juno- and Polaris-nominated vocalist with YAMANTAKA//SONIC TITAN.

The closing ceremony will include a traditional Haida song and prayer led by Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, a vocalist and well-known lawyer representing the Haida Nation in the area of aboriginal-environmental law.
CONTAINER DESCRIPTIONS

1. A MONUMENT TO THE CENTURY OF REVOLUTIONS, GREAT OCTOBER SOCIALIST REVOLUTION, RUSSIA 1917, 2017

This container tells the history of the Russian Revolution, which erupted in the middle of the brutal First World War as an anti war movement.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV
— SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

2. VILLAGE PRINT SHOP

This temporary community print shop engages with the public to print materials for various participating artist activists and organizations. This project is an active print and distribution hub to disseminate the voices of the revolution.

JUSTSEEDS ARTISTS’ COOPERATIVE — TORONTO, CANADA

3. YUGOSLAV PARTISAN ANTI-FASCIST STRUGGLE AND THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT

The imagery used in this container display reflects a rich culture of memorials to the victims of the war in Yugoslavia and contains historical slogans of the partisan struggle.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV
— SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA
4 GERMAN REVOLUTION OF 1918-19
This container is inspired by the electrifying impact of the Bolshevik Revolution and the experience of the horrors of the First World War, when the German working class rebelled.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV
— SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

5 POSTCAPITALIST PROPAGANDA
Postcapitalist Propaganda is an interactive advertising campaign, using animation, printed matter and live performance. It’s about a future in which postcapitalism is hegemonic and capitalism is resistant.

TOUGH GUY MOUNTAIN — TORONTO, CANADA

6 TORONTO THROUGH SOUND
Toronto Through Sound is a 10-minute soundscape that explores Toronto’s rich immigrant and Indigenous history over the last 50 years, with a focus on the present and a glance into the possible future.

LAL — TORONTO, CANADA

7 COSMIC MELANIN ENTER THE LOOP
An 88 Days of Fortune showcase unlike any other. A continued celebration of our eighth year anniversary, Cosmic Melanin: Enter The Loop will be a full 12 hours of music, performance and visual art. A glance into a future of what can be. Featuring some of the city’s best and brightest artists and musicians.

88 DAYS OF FORTUNE — TORONTO, CANADA

8 COLOR REVOLUTIONS
In this container audiences will learn about the Color Revolutions, notable for the important role of non-governmental organizations (NGOs), often sponsored by the CIA or other US-based organizations.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV
— SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

9 MONUMENT TO (IM)MOBILIZATION
Monument to (im)mobilization sees migrants in struggle as revolutionaries. It is a 1:1 scale installation of a maximum security immigration detention cell accompanied by audio/textual artifacts of migrants in revolutionary moments in recent history.

TINGS CHAK — TORONTO, CANADA

10 THE VIMINAL SPACE
The Viminal Space explores the social and legal framing of sex workers as victims and criminals simultaneously: victims if they do not agree to be criminalized and criminals if they don’t agree to be victimized.

LAL — TORONTO, CANADA

11 HOW WE RISE FROM OUR STRUGGLES
The RISE container represents the distance between the heart and the mind. Explore the struggles created by oppression, and the disconnect in the harmony of the mind and the heart. Vulnerability is the platform for human existence.

RISE EDUTAINMENT — TORONTO, CANADA
12 1968 THROUGH CONTINENTS (PARIS, OAKLAND, AND ELSEWHERE)
This container highlights the importance of the 1968 global protests, which occurred fifty years after the first socialist revolutions, when the new movements of the poor, oppressed and excluded rose up as a global tsunami.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV — SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

13 PERESTROIKA IN THE USSR AND 1989
In this container, audiences will learn about Perestroika, a political movement for reform within the Communist Party of the Soviet Union from the 1980s to 1991, widely associated with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and his glasnost (meaning “openness”) reform policy.

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14 THE STOLEN PEOPLE
The Stolen People transports the public 100 years into the future — to a post-apocalyptic bunker holding great secrets. By day, a workstation for the proletariat, by night, home to an underground alliance.

SYRUS MARCUS WARE, MELISSE WATSON — TORONTO, CANADA

15 MEXICAN REVOLUTION 1917 ZAPATISTA ARMY OF NATIONAL LIBERATION UPRISING 1994
The subject of this container is the Mexican revolution of the masses, led by insurgent peasants Pancho Villa and Emiliano Zapata, which ushered in, among many things, the Mexican muralist movement.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV — SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

16 THE REMATRIATION OF REVOLUTION FEATURING RED SLAM
Bring your Medicine. Bring your Message. Engage with us; through HipHop Warriorism; exploring the interconnectivity of intention on this land and our capacity to awaken resilience.

RED SLAM — TORONTO, CANADA

17 CHINA REVOLUTION AND THE “THE LITTLE RED BOOK” OF REVOLUTIONS
This container foregrounds the Chinese Communist Revolution, which started in 1945 and led to the establishment of the People’s Republic of China on October 1, 1949.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV — SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

18 MORE OR LESS
A collaboration between the artists, Carole Conde and Karl Beveridge, and members of the Ontario Coalition Against Poverty (OCAP). The project addresses issues of poverty and the history of resistance by the dispossessed in Toronto.

CAROLE CONDE, KARL BEVERIDGE, ONTARIO COALITION AGAINST POVERTY (OCAP) — TORONTO, CANADA

19 CUBAN REVOLUTION, 1959. PATRIA O MUERTE
In this container, the Cuban Revolution’s profound cultural impact is highlighted, especially its role in creating new possibilities for anti-colonial struggles around the world.

DMITRY VILENSKY, TSAPLYA OLGA EGOROVA, NIKOLAY OLEYNIKOV — SAINT PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

20 LUKUMI DUB OPERA: 150 YEARS BEFORE & AFTER
Lukumi Dub Opera by d’bi.young anitafrika is an Afro-futurist performance art piece that explores a fictitious environmental fallout from a nuclear disaster, set in Ontario. It casts an eye 150 years into the past and 150 years into the future.

D’BI.YOUNG ANITAFRIKA, THE WATAH THEATRE — TORONTO, CANADA

21 DOMESTICATE ME
“Domesticate Me” re-tells the story of the capabilities of women, by focusing on the importance of domestic labor and reimagining them in a visual language not often portrayed by mass media and society.

ASHLEY MACKENZIE-BARNES, MERNA — TORONTO, CANADA
The 2017 Creative Time Summit Advisory Council is composed of academics, educators, artists, activists, and community leaders whose work speaks directly to the themes of decolonial practices, social and climate justice movements, aboriginal rights movements, and socially engaged and contemporary aboriginal art practices. Council members provided focused feedback and input to the Summit team on matters including, areas and methods of research, community outreach and engagement, and program formats. Furthermore, council members contributed their experience and skills to speak to the intersection of visual art and activism within Canada’s cultural sector.

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Streaming Museum  
Third Space Galway  
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Creative Time, the New York–based public arts non-profit, is committed to working with artists on the dialogues, debates, and dreams of our time. Creative Time presents the most innovative art in the public realm, providing new platforms to amplify artists’ voices, including the Creative Time Summit, an international conference convening at the intersection of art and social justice.

Since 1974, Creative Time has produced more than 350 groundbreaking public art projects that ignite the imagination, explore ideas that shape society, and engage millions of people around the globe. Since its inception, the non-profit organization has been at the forefront of socially engaged public art, seeking to convert the power of artists’ ideas into works that inspire and challenge the public. Creative Time projects stimulate dialogue on timely issues, and initiate a dynamic experience between artists, sites, and audiences.

For more information on Creative Time and its projects, visit www.creativetime.org

ABOUT THE CREATIVE TIME SUMMIT

The Creative Time Summit is an annual convening for thinkers, dreamers, and doers working at the intersection of art and politics. Functioning as a roving platform, the Summit brings together artists, activists, and other thought leaders engaging with today’s most pressing issues. Presenting a critical range of perspectives, the Summit provides strategies for social change in local and global contexts.

Launched in New York City in 2009, the Creative Time Summit was the first major international platform for socially engaged art, and has since grown to encompass an expanded field—featuring a range of multidisciplinary practices from music to policy making. To date, the Summit has hosted over 8,000 live attendees and hundreds of luminaries on its stage, including legendary art critic Lucy Lippard, Academy Award-winning filmmaker Laura Poitras, MacArthur “Genius” award-winning contemporary artist Carrie Mae Weems, #BlackLivesMatter co-founder Alicia Garza, and President of Afghanistan Ashraf Ghani. Just as significantly, the Summit is also a forum for emerging artists and thinkers to debut ideas and projects.

In an effort to reach new audiences and explore issues within a global context, in 2014, Creative Time began partnering with institutions beyond NYC, taking the Summit to cities around the world including Stockholm, Venice, Washington, DC, and now, Toronto. Local attendees are invited to propose panels, roundtables, and workshops through an open call, and Summit events highlight each city’s unique aesthetic and social spaces. In its travels outside of New York, the Summit aims to foster meaningful connections among a growing global community while also highlighting locally driven programming. The Summit also meets tens of thousands of attendees in their hometowns through Livestream, as well as through more than 100 satellite screening sites that host live events in cities from Dhaka to São Paulo.

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As Acting Executive Director of Creative Time, it’s my pleasure to host you all at this year’s Creative Time Summit: Of Homelands and Revolution. Over the past nine years the Creative Time Summit has brought together more than 500 presenters from about 45 countries with nearly 10,000 participants from around the world. We dug into the Curriculum in Venice and Bed Stuy, explored questions of nationalism and migration in Stockholm, and just last year at the height of U.S. election frenzy we convened in Washington D.C. to strategize on how to occupy the future in the midst of deep uncertainty.

Now, as we gather in Toronto, for On Homelands and Revolution, these twin notions of home and change could not be more palpably resonant.

For over 40 years, Creative Time has worked with artists to contribute to the dialogues, debates, and dreams of our times. We do this by providing platforms that amplify artists’ ideas and voices — pushing the boundaries of what art is and can be — through large public art commissions like Pedro Reyes’ Doommocracy, an immersive house of (political) horrors and Kara Walker’s A Subtlety at the Domino Sugar Factory; through collaborative exhibitions like Funk, God, Jazz and Medicine: Black Radical Brooklyn; and of course, through the Creative Time Summit, now the leading annual gathering for thinkers dreamers and doers working at the intersection of art and politics.

I’d like to express our deepest gratitude to our Summit partners — The Power Plant and The Art Gallery of Ontario — as well as our generous Summit supporters, the Trust for Mutual Understanding, Partners in Art, Blum Media International and the Blum Family Foundation, as well as The British Council Canada, Kickstarter, OCAD University, the Royal Norwegian Consulate General Ottawa, Ford Foundation, Lambent Foundation, Toby Devan Lewis, and The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts.

None of this would be possible without the hard work, determination, and leadership of our Summit team and the larger Creative Time staff that supports everything we bring to life.

I look forward to spending the next two days together, learning, sharing, and making a collective impact on this moment.

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