

# Inbjudan till seminarium

## The City as an Arena

– Art and Architecture in Public Spaces

What can architecture and art do with public spaces?

Contemporary art is often socially critical. Art as an object – reduced only to its beauty – is something artists more and more have come to doubt.

Instead art now asks questions and takes part in the political debate. The issue is no longer form - but content. Is architecture going the same way? Is it about organization and planning, or does it, like art, challenge us and pose questions?

Contemporary art and architecture are now approaching each other. Artist-initiated projects increasingly take place in architectural spaces. Likewise, the architecture of today often has a conceptual approach, where the content and the idea behind the building is as important as the design. Like art, the architecture of today functions as a conveyor of meaning for our contemporary social debate.

In this seminar we hope to investigate the new roles of art and architecture and what they together can achieve.

### 25 oktober 2007

Restaurang REX festvåning, Rådhuset Umeå

Moderator: Mårten Arndtzén, konstkritiker

Seminariet hålls på engelska

Ett samarrangemang mellan Bildmuseet, IASPIS, Konsthögskolan Umeå, Kulturförvaltningen Umeå kommun, Museum Anna Nordlander och Verkligheten.

## Program

- 09.30 Fika
- 09.50-10.00 Öppnande av seminariet
- 10.00-11.00 **Dr. Brigitte Franzen**, curator för Skulptur Projekt Munster 2007
- 11.00-12.00 **Zoran Eric**, Belgrad, curator vid Museum of Modern Art, Belgrad
- 12.30-14.00 Lunch på REX
- 14.00-15.00 **Vesa Honkonen**, arkitekt, Helsingfors
- 15.00-15.15 Fika
- 15.15-16.00 **Ingo Vetter**, professor, Konsthögskolan, Umeå universitet
- 16.00-17.00 Diskussion och sammanfattning
- 17.30-19.00 Besök på Verkligheten där utställningen *Solen* av **Matts Leiderstam** visas.  
Förfriskningar

Anmälan via mail till [anja.boman@umea.se](mailto:anja.boman@umea.se) senast **19/10**.  
**Seminarieavgift 50 kr** inkluderar för- och eftermiddagsfika samt lunch och betalas kontant vid seminariets början.  
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