

## Open Call for Participants

**Nordost Südwest 29.09. – 01.10.2022**

Artist Zorka Wollny is seeking 6-8 participants for her planned performance “The Imperfect Choir” for „Nordost Südwest“, a transnational contemporary art project with exhibitions, performances and art projects as a cooperation between Kunsthaus Dresden and HELLERAU in the robotron canteen, in and around the Festspielhaus Hellerau, and in the city space.

### **About the Imperfect Choir**

Zorka Wollny is interested in imperfection, in creating a space where there is nothing one can call a mistake, an unwanted sound, an interruption of harmony. Instead, in the group improvisation, there is a place for every individual sound expression, every intentional and unintentional sound, all the voices to resound. During the workshops one can learn how to use the voice in every possible way to create sound compositions in the group. We will talk about the spatial aspect of sound and the full potential of vocals coming together. What will interest us most is how simple vocal actions, when made by a group of people change the quality of sound from obvious into indefinable. We will also attempt to create a place where one could freely express their opinions and needs, and rather than searching for harmony we will look for intentions and emotions which brought us together.

### **Bio**

Zorka Wollny is an interdisciplinary artist who directs and choreographs performative works in collaboration with musicians, actors, dancers, and community members. Operating at the intersection of visual art, theater, activism, and contemporary music, her projects often explore the voice and body as tools of expression and public debate and respond directly to the histories and functions of specific architectural sites. She has staged performances in museums, factories, and empty buildings. Her works have been presented worldwide.

### **A note on submissions**

The work includes a ten-day vocal workshop with 8 sessions à 2 hours especially addressing nonprofessional to inexperienced singers between September 19 to 29 held in HELLERAU in the afternoon with artist and composer Zorka Wollny and final presentations on September 30 and October 1, 2022 in the later evening, times to be soon announced.

A small fee is provided.

Participants should be no younger than 18 years.

The workshop and performance will be held in English language, therefore proficiency in English is required.

### **Dates/Venue**

July 22 12 – 1pm zoom-meeting to get to know the artist and the project. For registration, please send

a mail to [bondartschuk@hellerau.org](mailto:bondartschuk@hellerau.org)

September 19 until October 1, 2022

HELLERAU – European Centre for the Arts; Karl-Liebkecht-Str. 56; 01109 Dresden; Germany

### **Contact**

If you are interested in collaboration, please send an email with a short application until July 21 to: [zorka.wollny@gmail.com](mailto:zorka.wollny@gmail.com)