

Olivia Reschovsky & Alice Pons. BlueGorilla, 2016

Olivia Reschovsky (s. 1986 (HU/NL) &
Alice Pons (b. 1987 FR/NL)

Residency 2.8–11.9.

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Ongoing dance duet, presented in public space. Artists perform, dressed up as a gorilla and a blue dancer, every morning during five weeks in Lajo neighbourhood at 8–9 o'clock and and at Äyhö S-Market shopping area at 10–11 o'clock.

Artists want to be part of people's everyday life and routines. The neighborhoods and locations chosen are always places where they are unexpected guests: peripheral areas, in between or abandoned places, but place where several eyes can witness the action. The duo is dancing in various ways: free dance, disco, acrobatics, couple dance, trance etc. Besides the performative actions they include everyday actions in the routines as well: hanging out, drinking a coffee at the same bar every day etc. In doing so they create a routine of actions that people can follow and become familiar with, which also opens up a space for everyone to start dialogue with them.

Blue and Gorilla live from the rumor that the neighborhood creates. Together with the locals they create a new routine, opening up a space for the unknown and the unfamiliar where other forms of communication, expression, and creativity can emerge. Since they aim to create a specific personal relationship with each neighborhood they work in, they shape the project in relation to the needs of that place. At the end BlueGorilla creates with the community a final event.

The first action was on Saturday 6th of August at the Rauma Market place. BlueGorilla will also be seen during the Blue Sea Film Festival (19.–21.8.) opening ceremonies. Reschovsky and Pons are jury members of a Baltic Herring Short Film Competition.

BlueGorilla performing at LainSuojattomat 17, Pori Theatre Festival 6th –11th September 2016 at the opening of the Lainsuojattomat theater festival on the Puuvilla shopping center and Generaattorigalleria area, more or less from 12.00 to 14.00 in different spots. After that they will start performing at 15.00 near NYTE association's Galleria 3H+K, Itsenäisyydenkatu 47. In collaboration with Rakastajat theatre and artists association NYTE.

As a conclusion BlueGorilla filmed a 12 minutes video "Rauma Boja" with interviews of Lajo residents and their assistant/collaborator Suvi Vidqvist directed & filmed a 4 minutes video "BlueGorilla goes Lukko".

Alice Pons and Olivia Reschovsky are two performance artists based in Amsterdam. Together, after graduating from Theaterschool voor de Kunst in 2012, they found their own company and platform called MOHA. Through Moha, they produce collaborative and inclusive projects inspired by the city and its different social dynamics. The research on "locality", on how people make and use their living environment, are the starting points for all their initiatives. BlueGorilla is one of their first projects, which has happened also in Amsterdam and in Sao Paulo, Brazil.



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