



FESTIVAL NEWS # 6

**Invitation to the „2nd Think Tank – Dance Congress 2009“
Friday, August 22nd 2008 from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm
Podewil, Klosterstr. 68, Berlin Mitte**

Dear dance makers and dance enthusiasts,

We are happy to inform you that the next Dance Congress will take place in November 2009 at Kampnagel in Hamburg. Just like the Dance Congress 2006 (www.tanzkongress.de) it is once again directed towards dancers, choreographers, dance educators and theorists, dance critics, politicians and a general public interested in dance. The program will be developed from its very beginnings with the participation of artists and other representatives of the international dance scene. We don't see determining the program contents as a preparation phase separate from the actual congress; instead, it is part of the event. For this reason we would like to invite all dance makers to contribute subjects, positions, methods and visions from their present art production processes in "Think Tanks" prior to the congress.

After the first "Think Tank" in Hamburg, the second "Think Tank" will take place on Friday, August 22nd from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm during the Tanz im August festival in the Podewil, Berlin.

All participants will have the opportunity to suggest subjects according to an Open Space Method that has been developed for large groups. Under the supervision of an experienced coach, work groups will then be formed to address these subjects. The entire agenda will thus be developed in "real time" using the participants' input.

If you are interested in experimenting with this kind of idea laboratory, please register until August 15th at: vonWilcke@tanzkongress.de, T: +49 - 30 - 405 05 989

A prerequisite for work quality and long-term discussions is constant attendance. Plan to be present all day. Drinks and snacks are available. The participation is free.

We would be very happy to see a high level of participation and would like to request that you pass on this invitation to other colleagues.

Sincerely,

Sabine Gehm/ Katharina von Wilcke
Project coordinators, Dance Congress 2009

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