



## **Urban Pilgrims Copenhagen**

Performances, Events, Website, Survey 2007/2008

**Urban Pilgrimage Copenhagen / guided tour with performance, text, music, food, schnaps etc.** Sunday, January 27th 2008, 15:00-18:30, ending at an inside location with food and drinks. start: Assistens Kirkegården (cemetery) entrance on Nørrebrogade, Copenhagen N. Bring bikes.

German-canadian artist Angela Dorrer has been living in Copenhagen for the last 3 months trying to figure out what the capital of the Danes and the people who live there are all about. On Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> the conclusion will be presented to those with the nerves to show up for a very extraordinary bicycle ride through the city – a pilgrimage for Copenhagen!

The project developed through different public tours during the last years: Urban Pilgrims Vienna (2007), Pilgrimage for Calgary (2006), Pilgrimage for Edmonton (2005) and Pilgrimage for Munich (2004). Every city originates a complete new series of site-specific behavioral instructions, new rituals for the city.

In Copenhagen the pilgrimage will be by bike. Starting off on Nørrebro the route will lead people to events at Jagtvej 69 and later on at Dronning Louises bro – the bridge separating the posh inner city from unruly Nørrebro. The route from there on will be decided by the votes of the people – left or right; but no matter what everybody will end up at the queen's castle Amalienborg where a Danish paradox will be tried to be solved. These are just some of the experiences to be expected on the pilgrimage which will find its conclusion at a very special place discovered by artist Angela Dorrer. But entrance is only allowed for those who can keep the secret to themselves.

Urban Pilgrimages are poetic urban extracts. They dig their way into the grain of cities to find out what places and its people are really about. Participants get involved in individually tailored, dramatized performances about their city, based on an online survey, a blog and continuously growing internet archives.

Urban Pilgrimages can take on various forms, such as behavioral instructions or procession-like journeys with collective movement, gesture, sound, props, food, music and personal encounters. The personalities and communities within the given place with their stories and emotions become the artistic material. Individual experience becomes a public field, which generates a new cartography of a place - the essential toolkit for the 21st century voyager.

## Other events in Urban Pilgrims Copenhagen:

Wed Jan30th 08, 13:00-15:00 **Singing a Lovesong to the ducks and why the entrance to the Underworld is in Vienna**Talk about Urban Pilgrims, Kunstakademiet, Billedkunstskolernes Grunduddannelse, Peder Skramsgade 2B, 3.sal, Copenhagen K.

Thu Jan31st 08, 19:00-21:00 Forget your Name. Become a Slave of the Pushers Talk about Urban Pilgrims. Rum46, Studsgade 46, st. tv., 8000 Århus

Permanent Visuals / display of the urban pilgrims survey Tourist Information, Vesterbrogade 4A, Copenhagen V Urban Pilgrims at iSpot Copenhagen, link: Kunst/Architecture <a href="http://ispot.wonderfulcopenhagen.dk/KioskFrameset.aspx?KioskID=16&LCID=1030&TIMESPAN=1">http://ispot.wonderfulcopenhagen.dk/KioskFrameset.aspx?KioskID=16&LCID=1030&TIMESPAN=1</a>

## Past events

Men and Women. Kings / performance and presentation at Factory for Art & Design Tales about Darkness. / performance on one of the darkest days of the year, Jagtvej 69

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Interview with Angela Dorrer: http://www.kopenhagen.dk/interviews/interviews/interview angela dorrer/

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