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## **Project Description**

A group of German artists, actors, musicians, dancers, instrument-makers and painters are going on a quest regarding new and ancient dragon pathways to explore the elements of self, earth-water-fire-air. Bali is the destination and the goal is a cultural artist exchange with Balinese artists. It will be an exploratory expedition with an artistic and social focus. Free dance and world music, German and Balinese poetry, puppet shows and painting combining traditional and modern life are the artistic resources with which we celebrate, create, explore, design and reinvent life as a total work of art. Shows are planned in theatres and other cultural meeting points, as well as workshops for kids in social facilities and public places. We have clustered the multilateral cultural interest and artistic professions as well as the social commitment of the artists to this project: EARTH LIKE HEAVEN/ BUMI SEPERTI SURGA / HIMMEL WIE ERDE.



Performance Alster Hamburg Foto Peter Lund



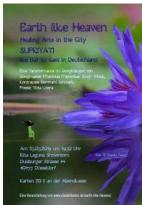
New Healing Festival Foto David Beecraft



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## This is what has happened so far:

The first encounters of some of the artists in our group in Bali and Java date back to the 90's. 2015 was the first meeting with the Indonesian dancer, Supriyati, from Bali, in Hamburg. 2016 was the first reunion with Suprapto Suryodarmo, an internationally recognized Body Movement teacher from Solo, and the performance group, 'Tan'. In Hamburg, Bernhard Schwark and Viola Livera were performing together at 'Hari Wayang Dunia Festival' in Surakarta on Java . Since then our concept of the art exchange project, 'EARTH LIKE HEAVEN/ BUMI SEPERTI SURGA / HIMMEL WIE ERDE', has matured continuously. Thanks to Supriyati, in 2018, we connected with theatres and childrens' institutions in Bali and we decided to plan a tour.









Rita Lagune in Düsseldorf, Foto Ruth Heinen

Prangendorf, Foto David Nassim

In 2019, we welcome Supriyati for the second time in Germany. Under the title, 'EARTH LIKE HEAVEN - DANCING IN THE CITY' and 'EARTH LIKE HEAVEN - HEALING ARTS IN THE COUNTRYSIDE', artists from our group Viola Livera, Bernhard Schwark, Matthias Meherban Singh Wieck, Josephine Seeger, Ronny Wollmann, Julia Pandit, David Nassim, Tilmann von Hein and guests performed with Supriyati at Sound-Center Hamburg, at Modesalon Rita Lagune in Düsseldorf and at the Organic Farm in Prangendorf. The focus of this tour was the encounter with, and the co-creation through dance, music and poetry –both traditional and modern.



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## This is in planning:

For autumn 2019 we are planning a tour in Bali EARTH AS HEAVEN / BUMI SEPERTI SURGA. Our project partners in Bali sent us their invitations. We will organize performances in theaters and give workshops for children. More information will follow in the next few weeks.















For 2020 a tour with a group of Balinese artists in Saxony and Mecklenburg-Vorpommern is planned. Performance venues are castles, castles, artist workshops and the outdoors. More information will follow at the end of 2019.

#### Who we are:



Viola Livera

Josephine Seeger Bernhard Schwark Supriyati Tuulia Rosenbröijer Fotos from Karola Maria Wendler, David Nassim und Theo Groen

Viola Livera (actress), Josephine Seeger (performance artist), Bernhard Schwark (musician), Supriyati (dancer) and Tuulia Rosenbröijer (singer) are the five artists of ERDE WIE HIMMEL / BUMI SAPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN with the ensemble members Ronny Wollmann (artist), David Nassim (photographer and documentary filmmaker), Julia Pandit (painter), Tilman von Hein (artist), Ruben Dauenhauer (artist), Ulrike Jung (cultural management), Marcella Ruscigno (actress), Matthias Meherban Singh Wieck (gongmaster), Michael Zinnen (instrument builder), Ulrich Puntsch (musician) and with the support of Julia Scarlett (17HEROES eV).



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#### Viola Livera



She is director of the theatre group DIE DELIKATEN and director of the international project STRASSE DER POESIE. She is an actress, author and poet and writes theater texts and poems for musicians, dancers and painters. In March 2019 she directed the EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE CITYS & EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE COUNTRYSIDE project with Supriyati from Bali, Josephine Seeger and other artists.

In 2016 Viola Livera was the first time in Indonesia. As a companion of the theatre group Tan. Going with Bernhard Schwark as a musician. She appeared at performances at the Hari Wayang Dunia Festival in Surakarta, Java. Here she also met the Balinese artist Supriyati. One year earlier, both met in Hamburg at the festival "Hamburg shows art". Today Viola Livera lives in Hamburg.

\*Together with the Ensemble of ERDE WIE HIMMEL she will develop the "Poetic Theater" and direct the performances ERDE WIE HIMMEL / BUMI SAPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN.



Auftritt Rita Lagune Earth like Heaven Düsseldorf

Performance Fantasio Berlin Brandenburger Tor

Rue de La Poesie in Paris





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## **Josephine Seeger**





She leads the interdisciplinary artist group Dakini-Agency. She is a performative transformation artist and costume designer. Together with Ronny Wellmann she lives in Prangendorf in the near of Rostock.

In 2017 she built the giant staff doll FANTASIO, called the Summer Dream Rainbow Phoenix. In 2018, together with Ronny Wollmann, she designed the second giant staff doll, MERLIN, called the white lucky dragon. Both fantasy figures are part of our Poetic Theater EARTH AS HEAVEN / BUMI SAPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN. Josephine Seeger is interested in traditional craft techniques, natural materials and creative recycling of interesting finds from the everyday lives of people with a special history.

\*Josephine Seeger will be involved in the performances, will lead the DRAGONCRAFT DREAM WORKSHOPS with Balinese children and design the dance costumes.







Dakini children workshop @ New Healing Festival



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### **Bernhard Schwark**



He is a composer, double bass player and performance artist. Already 1990 he visited "Sharing Time Festival" in Bali, which was founded by the Indonesian movement teacher Suprapto Suryodarmo (Amerta Movement). These experiences have shaped his artistic career as a musician and as a dancer. He participated in artist exchange programs between Indonesia and Germany, "Sharing Time in Germany". He is a member of the association Sharing Arts e.V. In 2016 he travelled with the theatre group Tan.Going and Viola Livera to Suprapto Suryodarmo, to Java. At the Hari Wayang Dunia Festival in Surakarta on Java. There he met Supriyati from Bali and other Indonesian artists. In March of this year, together with Viola Livera and Supriyati, he organized the germany tour EARTH LIKE HEAVEN HEALING ARTS IN THE CITY & EARTH LIKE HEAVEN DANCING IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

Today Bernhard Schwark lives in Oberelsbach (Bavaria) and travels throughout Germany. He and Viola Livera are members of the theatre ensemble FLIEGENDE FISCHE, which have also performed in Bali in the past. Together with Viola Livera he makes poetic-musical programs "LICHTPERLEN & STERNENSTAUB".

#### \* musician and dancer









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Foto Theo Groen, Peter Lund, David Nassim

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## **Supriyati**



She is a Balinese dancer and our contact person to the artist colleagues and institutions in Bali. Supriyati works at BASE in Bali Animasi Solusi Ekakarsa as a motion capture actress. It is a leading company in Denpasar Bali that focuses on 2D and 3D animation.

As a dancer, she is interested in showing art, in which she reacts to nature and connects the energies of different natural places. Art is the soul connection between man, nature, universe and God.

In 2015, she visited Germany for the first time and participated in group discussions on the healing processes of art approaches in the Campus Naturalis in Hamburg. Here she also met the performance group Tan. Going, including Bernhard Schwark. She met Viola at the festival "Hamburg shows art". In 2016, both met again at the Hari Wayang Dunia Festival in Surakarta on Java. In 2017 the idea ERDE HIE HIMMEL / BUMI SAPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN was born and Supriyati organized the first contacts to theatres in Bali. In 2019 our first tour with Supriyati took place in Germany, EARTH LIKE HEAVEN DANCING IN THE CITY & EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE COUNTRYSIDE.

She is currently working on the preparations for our planned tour September / October 2019 in Bali.

### \* Organizer and dancer



Performance in Düsseldorf Fotos Ruth Heinen



in Prangendorf David Nassim



and in Hamburg Marie Tabuena





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## Tuulia Rosenbröijer



She is a Finn and lives in Leipzig. She is a singer, songwriter, dancer and stage artist. About herself she says that she was educated at the campfires and singing circles at home. Here she learned about the teachings of nature and respect for Mother Earth. Her specialty is Nordic-shamanic singing techniques, which she owes to her Nordic maternal roots. From her father, a healer and musician, she was musically taught in Space and Sound.

Her dream is to work together with people around the world where love with Mother Nature connects cultures.

She works in the world music group NOAIDI and trance music project COSMIC VIBRATION. In her own solo program "Tuulia Nordic Healing Arts" she considers music as medicine. Tuulia Rosenbröijer is a performer with Dakini Agency.

\*She will conduct musical workshops at ERDE HIE HIMMEL / BUMI SAPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN.







Tuulia Rosenbröijer New Healing Festival, Foto Theo Groen und David Nassim



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## Further members of the ensemble:



Ronny Wollmann lives in Prangendorf near Rostock and is a stage designer and artist. Most recently he worked at the theater in Dortmund. With his drawings he made exhibitions throughout Germany. He loves the freedom of artistic creation and wants to use his art to create something emotional for people. With his philanthropic attitude to life, he loves interacting with other artists. Together with Josephine Seeger he has designed the giant staff doll MERLIN, the white lucky dragon. Further rod

puppet projects are planned.

\* Dragon dancers, stage construction



AGENCY.

\* Body painting

Julia Pandit lives in Berlin. She studied art and fashion design. Today she works as a fantastic and visionary artist and passionate bodypainter. She founded her own label in Berlin: AKHILA.LOVE. She is involved in the Kids Globe e.V., which wants to found an international academy for children and adolescents on the grounds of an old lung sanatorium in Oranienburg. With her painting she wants to express the beauty in the world. Trips to India and Thailand have opened their eyes and ears and heart to foreign cultures. Julia Pandit is a stylist and performer at DAKINI



**David Nassim** comes from England and lives with his family in Berlin. As a photographer, creative director, image artist and documentary filmmaker he has realized many expressive portrait exhibitions, artist and art documentation. In Berlin, he supports the children's aid organization Street Players e.V. with his work. In the spring of 2018, he photographically accompanied the performance of DAKINI AGENCY in Berlin Mitte. David Hafiz Nassim will document our performances and workshops in Bali on

film.

\* Photographer, documentary filmmaker



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**Tilman von Hein** lives in Potsdam. He is a freelancer in film editing and video artist and loves artistic collaboration with like-minded people. Til von Hein is interested in documenting the visions of people and projects and their places in order to experience their deeper meaning and to bring it into the world.

\* Dragon dancer, documentation



Ruben Dauenhauer lives in Potsdam and is a trained toolmaker punching and forming technology, as well as trained stage and costume designer assistant. He completed his Bachelor of Fine Arts in Scenography at the Film University Konrad Wolf in Babelsberg and is currently studying the Master of Fine Arts in Production Design. The main focus of his artistic work is the sustainable use and upcycling of raw materials. He loves to give these things a new life and give the imagination an individual

expression. He like to share this experience with others and learn from each other.

\* Dragon dancer



**Ulrike Jung** lives in Berlin. She learned photography and cultural management, gave children's film workshops and co-organized short film festivals. Today she is part of the innovative, colourful art scene in Berlin. She wants to strengthen creativity and human interaction in the world with her commitment and her experiences.

\* Cultural Manager



Marcella Ruscigno lives in Hamburg. She is an actress, stilt runner and costume & mask maker. Marcella works at the Kindertheater MÄR, at the ZÜNDSTOFF Theater and at the theater group THE TALKS by Viola Livera. In early 2018 she was in Bali to learn Balinese mask carving & traditional Balinese dance. Here it came to their first meeting with Supriyati and a great interest in further artistic exchange.

\* Actress, dragon dancer



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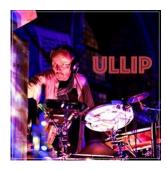
**Matthias Meherban Singh Wieck** is Gongmaster. He lives in Düsseldorf. With him, Viola Livera, Bernhard Schwark and Supriyati we made the performance EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE CITY in Düsseldorf.

\* Gongmaster



**Michael Zinnen** is an instrument maker and will be organizing the tour for the Balinese artists 2020 in Thuringia. He lives in Borstendorf, in the Erzgebirge.

\* Instrument maker



**UlliP (Ulrich Putsch)** is a Percussion-Artist.

From him is the soundtrack "Above and Below" to the video EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. "When Dragons

EARTH LIKE HEAVEN IN THE COUNTRYSIDE. "When Dragons fly" is his latest work. He will make the music of our performance. Today he lives in Andalusia, Spain.

\* Musician



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# Project partner in Bali:

#### **Teater Orok**

Student Center Universitas Udayana
Jl. DR Goris No. 10, Dangin Puri Klod, East Denpasar
Denpasar City, Bali 80234, Indonesia
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/teater.oroknoceng?fref=mentions">https://www.facebook.com/teater.oroknoceng?fref=mentions</a>



- \* Performance
- \* Workshop Nordic Music

### **Bali Life Studio in Ubud**

Petulu, Bezirk Ubud, Gianyar, Bali 80571, Indonesia https://www.balilifestudio.com/







\* Performance



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### Kulidan Kitchen in Ubud

Gang Garuda No. Wisnu, Guwang, Sukawati, Kabupaten Gianyar, Bali 80582, Indonesia

## https://anaktangguh.wordpress.com/







- \* Performance
- \* Workshop Nordic Music
- \* Workshop for children

## Sanggar Tari Tana Art

Jln. Nuasa Kori 18 no 2, Tegal Kori Ubung Kaje. Denpasar Utara Bali, Indonesia









Tana Art

## \*Workshop for Children



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## Bentara Budaya Bali

Jln. Profesor Ide Bagus Mantra No.88A, Ketewel Sukawati, kab. Gianyar, Bali 80237 Indonesia

http://www.bentarabudaya.com/komunitas/bentara-budaya-bali







Bentara Budaya Bali

### \* Performance

### **Geoks Singapadu**

Jl. Raya Singapadu No.87, Singapadu Sukawati Kab. Gianyar, Bali 8058, Indonesia <a href="https://www.facebook.com/geoks.singapadu">https://www.facebook.com/geoks.singapadu</a>



- \* Performance
- \* Workshop Nordic Music





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## **Dhyana Pura University**

Jl. Raya Padang Luwih, Tegaljaya, Dalung, Kuta Utara, Kabupaten Badung, Bali 80361, Indonesien https://undhirabali.ac.id/







- \* Performance
- \* Workshop Nordic Music

## Saraswati 3 Elementary School

Jl. Mohamad Yamin IV No.1, Panjer, Denpasar Sel., Kota Denpasar, Bali 80239, Indonesien https://de.foursquare.com/v/sd-3-saraswati/4bea2130246fb71310ddabdf



\*Workshop for Children





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### First Poetry for ERDE WIE HIMMEL / BUME SEPERTI SURGA / EARTH LIKE HEAVEN









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## First POETRY from Prangendorf with Balinese translation





Balinese translation by Mank Tree

### Further information can be found on our website

With poetic greetings

Viola Livera