

PRESS RELEASE

Mwangi Hutter

living in your heart

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opening

Friday, 3 March 2017, 7 – 9 pm

introduction

Johan Holten, director Staatliche Kunsthalle Baden-Baden

„Fingerprint after fingerprint, we leave our trace as the symbol of our inner map. Following it through should lead to the essence one day. If we could tell our story without words, sounds or images we would, but that is impossible for now. Indeed, we don't know our story yet. We are drawing it out in painting, revealing it in video and sound, making a photo of it to render it visible. We have an inkling of what it might be about, but without having embarked on this journey, we would never have begun to find out what there is to know.“

Mwangi Hutter

Ingrid Mwangi and Robert Hutter (*1975) were born in Nairobi, Kenya and Ludwigshafen, Germany. Both studied at the *Hochschule der bildenden Künste Saar*. After several years, they merged their names and biographies and became one artist: **Mwangi Hutter**. Working with various media such as sound, photography, installation, sculpture, painting and performance, they often use their own bodies as sounding board to reflect on social interrelationships. Mwangi Hutter deal with the subjects of border-crossing and finding identity, which both can be understood in a political, as well as very personal, intimate sense oscillating between violence, nature, dualism, individuality and love.

Their work has been shown across Africa, Asia, Europe, United States and South America, at the Bienal de São Paulo, Venice Biennale, the Brooklyn Museum, Centre Pompidou Paris, Museum für Moderne Kunst Frankfurt, Dak'Art Biennale, Smithsonian Institution – National Museum of African Art and the Mori Museum Tokyo amongst others. Mwangi Hutter live and work in Berlin, Ludwigshafen and Nairobi.

We are delighted to announce that **Mwangi Hutter** will be part of this year's

documenta 14 | Athens, 8 April – 16 July | Kassel, 10 June – 17 September 2017 and

57th Venice Biennale | Viva Arte Viva | 13 May – 26 November 2017.

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Mwangi Hutter *Twinshipping* 2016 c-print 110 cm x 84 cm

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Mwangi Hutter *I want to Live in Your Heart* 2017 oil on canvas 210 cm x 290 cm

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Mwangi Hutter *On the Other Side of Midnight* 2017 C-prints each 68 cm x 94 cm

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Mwangi Hutter *Four Times Closer to What?* 2016 4-channel video installation 2:27 mins loop (still)

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