

PATTERNS-ISTANBUL the project

Both nature and politics delimit/cut territories, move frontiers. Anyway, behind the moving of lines, the power-games and strategies, deep signs are hidden.

The project "Patterns" is based on the idea of overlapping and matching the body – the boundary as to the external world – to the territory.

By conceptually positioning the body over the territory, it is possible to make a body-territory mapping through clothing. Cutting and redesigning territories, is related to political as well as social, logics and necessities; there are marks, left in history and memory, on our skins, in our bodies.

In "PATTERNS ISTANBUL" portions of the territory, buildings, streets, quarters marked in the map of the city of Istanbul especially related to the inhabitants of the city by their personal experience, will be redrawn and transferred to paper patterns for the production of clothes. The fashion production, committed to the local labour, will favour a direct confluence of cultures and disciplines as well as a strong characteristic mark to the clothes, that will be created by using traditional techniques and materials.

Moreover, "PATTERNS ISTANBUL" aims at representing itself as a methodology to activate a circuit of not for profit microeconomics: the incomes of the distribution manufacturing products, will be invested in organising cultural events in the territory, in order to create an established network of people and places, that will constitute a creative way of relationship between the subjects and the cultural/traditional territory they are related to.

Actually 15 persons (artists, tailors, amateurs, designers) are working to realize a collection of clothes inspired by the geography of Istanbul, in order to show it in final event at the end of december.

> info at borders-de.blogspot.com -- borders.de

"PATTERNS ISTANBUL" by Bernardo Giorgi and Cinzia Cozzi

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PATTERNS-ISTANBUL the workshop

 **Love Difference** with Bernardo Giorgi and Cinzia Cozzi

Love Difference takes part in "Patterns Istanbul" by collaborating with the authors in the project, and holding a specific workshop in Istanbul on December 4-8: a multidisciplinary group of people will take part to a collective work of exploration, analysis and representation of a portion of territory of Istanbul.

The exploration will be related to the topics of the project Patterns Istanbul, including the people that are actually working to the collection of clothes inspired by the geography of Istanbul.

Love Difference is searching for 2-3 persons in order to work together at the creation of a cultural map, that will support the realization of the project "Patterns Istanbul".

The workshop will become a platform to share methodologies, and activate an established network of people and places, that will constitute a creative way of relationship between the subjects and the cultural territory they are related to.

The workshop will take place during the week 4 - 8 december 2006 (>see the program), including 3 collective meetings and a more specific work of analysis and representation, from monday 4 to friday 8 december 2006 every afternoon (15.00 to 18.00, according to availability of the participants).

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WORKSHOP PROGRAM

WORKSHOP PRESENTATION Sunday 3/12/06 -- 17.00 pm Tesvikiye Firin Sok N°10 // D3 Sale Apt.
TR - 80200 Istanbul - Tesvikye

WORKSHOP MEETINGS 4 - 8 december 2006, every afternoon 15.00 to 18.00, (according to availability of the participants)-- at Human Settlement – NuruZIA Sokak 23 (Beyoğlu -- Is Merkezi)

COLLECTIVE MEETINGS

| When | Where | What | Tool |
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| Sunday 3/12/06 17.00 > 18.00 pm | Bernardo Giorgi's home Tesvikiye Firin Sok N°10 // D3 Sale Apt. TR - 80200 Istanbul - Tesvikye Tel. +90 212 327 1282 | Introducing the Workshop and the participants | Bring if you want a picture that tells something about yourself, or your work |
| Tuesday 5/12/06 9.30 > 12.30 am | Human Settlement – NuruZIA Sokak 23 (Beyoğlu -- Is Merkezi) tel 0555 598 4901 | Preparing the outreach to explore a portion of territory of Istanbul. From the topics to the map, creating together an itinerary, based on Patters Istanbul project. talking about: Exploration, Outreaches, Emotional journey | Bring a picture wich represent your own idea - your perception (or your methodological approach) related to the chosen area of Istanbul |
| Thursday 7/12/ 06 10.00 am > 16.00 pm | Taksim Square -- Meeting 09:50 at Ataturk cultural-center (opera) | Exploration (The exploration will be made following the route that we'll decide together, from the topics to the itinerary) | Camera Video camera Soundrecorder and everything you want in order to share traces about the journey |
| Friday 8/12/06 10.00 > 13.00 am | Human Settlement – NuruZIA Sokak 23 (Beyoğlu -- Is Merkezi) tel 0555 598 4901 | Collecting and sharing the exploration experience, thinking back to the project topics. | |