



KIBLIX 2022: Love and peace

International Festival of Art, Technology, and Science

16 November–30 December 2022

KIBLA PORTAL

KIBLA PORTAL, which is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, will host the 20th edition of the KIBLIX Festival from 16 November to 30 December 2022. The festival starts on Wednesday 16 November, at 7 p.m. with the opening of an international group exhibition and AV performance by Marko Batista and Žiga Palčar. The festival will continue until the end of December with a panel discussion, AV performances, concerts, workshops and guided tours.

KIBLIX 2022 serves as a platform of the Network of Research Centers of Arts and Culture – RUK, where the Delavski dom Trbovlje, PiNA from Koper and KIBLA from Maribor have been creating since 2019. The curators of the festival Aleksandra Kostič and Peter Tomaž Dobrila decided to gather the production of the three RUK laboratories, DDTlab, HEKA, and KIBLA2LAB, and to highlight the conceptions and creations of local and foreign artists. The presentation of the productions of the RUK Network is joined by invited artists: the BridA collective, Tanja Vujinović, Toni Soprano – Meneglejte, Aphra Tesla, Marko Batista, Ana Pečar, Igor Štromajer, Nika Oblak & Primož Novak, and Nataša Berk.

Art in a time of continuous crisis, pandemic and war, when the culture of death of the »collective West«, which comprises about 15% of the world's population and only 3% of children, abuses 85% of the rest of the living and breathing world and mocks the entire population, mutilates relationships and destroys the world in the name of »truth« and »justice«, »democracy«, »human rights« and the »rule of law«, is engaging, regardless of the medium, technique, format. It is a cry to you who do not choose the means to achieve your ends; you even threaten to use atomic weapons and, as a consequence, to destroy the Earth. It is as if we were in someone's bipolar disorder – we and you: your mania and your depression. But in all cases, it is us. Alone. We remain, as does art, which shows that it is capable of looking around and thinking about existence and survival and communicating love and peace.

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KIBLA PORTAL, Valvasorjeva 40, 2nd floor, Maribor

Opening hours: 17–19 November 2022: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.; 20 November–30 December 2022: Monday–Friday, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. or by appointment (kibla@kibla.org).



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