Petra Varl: Kisses and Hugs ...!

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Join us for an opening of a sign installation by Petra Varl called Kisses and Hugs ...! at the

MMC KIBLA on Tuesday, February 14th 2012 at 8pm.

During the period of Maribor European Capital of Culture, the signs with motives of kisses

and hugs by Petra Varl will be cheering and lighting us up from the street lamps all over the

town. The author has already been placing her sign images from a previous cycle to traffic

signs across town, but unfortunately they could not remain there. Unlike proper traffic signs

that ban, limit or command, this time the author has chosen streetlamps, which will be

disclosing the manifold forms of love, friendship and affection to to the passing people. The

stories of couples kissing and embracing are being told by Petra Varl with a clean-line

drawing in a simple painting language of signs. She invites us for a joyous stroll, and a playful

exploration of the town's secret little places where her latest signs have been put up. From

thirty different locations they will be addressing, encouraging or inciting ourselves to kiss or

hug, right in the middle of the street, the crossing, under an arch, on the bridge, or in the park.

Join us at the MMC KIBLA for the installation of 'Smoker', the final sign from the series!

dr. Alenka Spacal

Kindly welcome. Admission free.

Opening: February 14th 2012 at 8pm

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and 10pm, closed on Sundays.

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