

Press Release

**An investment in sustainable lighting equipment:  
Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein with Hilti Art Foundation closed temporarily  
from 16 September**

Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein and the Hilti Art Foundation will be closed for maintenance for a few weeks starting on **16 September 2021**. The museum's big reopening is set to take place on **11 November 2021** – the Kunstmuseum's 21st "birthday" – with three new exhibitions.

The purpose of the temporary closure is to invest in **sustainable lighting equipment**: the Kunstmuseum's luminous ceiling will be upgraded from fluorescent tubes to LED and brought up to an energy-saving standard that has already been implemented in all other rooms. A total of 1250 tubes need to be replaced. The light control system will also be modernised in order to continue to meet the high standards for exhibiting art. The funding for this upgrade was discussed and approved by the Liechtenstein Parliament in November 2020. The State Office for Construction and Infrastructure is in charge of the project and scheduling works.

The Museum Café will be able to stay open throughout. The museum management will also continue to work. In addition to administrative and communicative tasks, work on publications, lending works from the collection, etc., the current exhibitions will be taken down and the new shows will be set up during the closure:

**Rivane Neuenschwander. knife does not cut fire**

12 November 2021 – 24 April 2022

**Body – Gesture – Space. Works from the Hilti Art Foundation**

12 November 2021 – 16 August 2022

**From the Collection of the VP Bank Art Foundation**

12 November 2021 – 13 March 2022

The exhibitions open officially on Thursday, 11 November, at 6pm. Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein and the Hilti Art Foundation invite visitors to **two open days on the weekend of 13 and 14 November**.

A series of events held by Kunstmuseum Liechtenstein in cooperation with the Liechtensteinische Kunstgesellschaft during the closure will give visitors a glimpse behind the scenes and also provide details of upcoming exhibitions. Every two weeks, curators, art educators and exhibition assistants offer an insight into current preparations.

**Thursday, 23 September 2021, 6pm**

Backstage guided tour with explanation of the lighting situation and exhibition planning with Marcel Meier, head of facilities and storage, and Henrik Utermöhle, curatorial assistant

**Thursday, 7 October 2021, 6pm**

Insight into exhibition planning for *Body – Gesture – Space. Works from the Hilti Art Foundation* with Uwe Wieczorek, curator of the Hilti Art Foundation

**Thursday, 21 October 2021, 6pm**

Insight into exhibition planning for *From the Collection of the VP Bank Art Foundation* with Christiane Meyer-Stoll and Henrik Utermöhle, curators of the exhibition, and Susanne Kudorfer, head of the educational programme

**Thursday, 4 November 2021, 6pm**

Insight into exhibition planning for *Rivane Neuenschwander* with Christiane Meyer-Stoll, curator of the exhibition, and Susanne Kudorfer, head of the educational programme

*Note for editorial staff:*

*You are warmly invited to attend the above events.*

*Please register by email to [franziska.hilbe@kunstmuseum.li](mailto:franziska.hilbe@kunstmuseum.li).*

*Also, please make a note of the following date:*

*Press conference with preview of the new exhibitions*

*Wednesday, 10 November 2021, 10:30am*

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