



# **Bohemiae Rosa 25 – 31 August 2017**

## **Site Body Exploration Morava River – The Czech Republic**

**International Interdisciplinary Open–Air Workshop for artists and dancers exploring  
the relation between body, art and landscape  
led by Frank van de Ven and Milos Sejn  
guest artist Günter Heinz**

**Supported by Bohemiae Rosa Foundation – Nature Conservation Agency of the Czech Republic –  
– Litovel Morava River Basin Protected Landscape Area –  
– The Olomouc Centre for Ecological Activities**

Since 1995 Milos Sejn and Frank van de Ven have co-operated in their bi-annual interdisciplinary open-air Body-Site-Exploration projects in various National & Cultural Reserves in the Czech Republic (Kokorin Valley, Plasy Monastery, Bohemian Karst, Bechyne Monastery with the Luznice River, Bohemian Paradise, Sumava and Krkonose Mountains, Kuks Spa, The Elbe Sandstone Mountains) known as the Bohemiae Rosa Project. [www.bohemiaerosa.org](http://www.bohemiaerosa.org)

This edition of the Bohemiae Rosa Project will take place in the Moravia area known since the early Middle Ages as “Moravia Magna” (Greek: Μεγάλη Μοραβία). In this river landscape we find virgin forests, swamps, old meanders, meadows, springs, caves but also areas romantically humanized using artificial structures, such as ancient roads, gates, obelisks, hills and gardens. Walking and working in the Morava River Basin we investigate the numerous relations between Body and Landscape and their significance to contemporary (Performing) Arts.

The program will include:

- MB – (mind/body, muscles/bones) movement training
- practice of and reflection on physical and mental training
- walking and wandering, silent walk, pilgrimage and nocturnal journeys
- various modes of experiencing body, movement and landscape
- investigating divergent senses of space and time
- peripatetic records, drawing, writing, immediate contact with surroundings
- mental topography of a location, myth, archaic mind and genius loci
- geology, archaeology and history of Landscape as a model of self: layers, vertical connections and labyrinths

An integral part of the workshop will be the individual artistic projects that participants are encouraged to formulate and work on for about 1 to 2 hours a day in the fields of architecture, dance, performance, photography, sculpture, theatre, visual arts and natural history. The workshop leaders are available to guide and support these processes.

The body is a landscape in itself moving within the larger frame of the given surrounding environment. The vertical and horizontal layering of the (historical) landscape invites us to reflect upon our own layers and connections of self and imagination.

Participants profile: for artists and advanced students working in performance, dance, landscape art, sculpture, photography, architecture, theatre, visual arts, biology and natural history. Selection of participants will be based on c.v. and motivation. No previous (dance) training is necessary but the workshop will be physically demanding. A good overall condition is required.

## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

### DATES

25 – 31 August 2017, arrival in the evening of 24 August

Meeting Place: Slunakov – the Olomouc Centre for Ecological Activities

Landline: +420 585 154 711

GPS: 49°38'29.182"N, 17°11'59.553"E

<https://mapy.cz/s/CyYo>

Olomouc is easily accessible by train or bus. The nearest airport is Brno or Ostrava.  
From Olomouc take a local bus nr. 18 and 20 to Horka na Moravě.

### Workshop Fee:

Euro 300 (students Euro 270)

Czech participants: Kc 4500, students/unwaged Kc 4000)

Lodging and food: Kc 2450 (Euro 90)

The number of participants is limited. We recommend early applications.

Bring yoga mat, backpack for day hikes, raincoat and hiking boots.

All participants must have a personal insurance and must provide a copy of this before start of the project.  
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### APPLICATION

To apply send name, a short c.v. and a motivation letter to Frank van de Ven [frank.bwa@xs4all.nl](mailto:frank.bwa@xs4all.nl) or Milos Sejn [milos@sejn.cz](mailto:milos@sejn.cz). Within 2 weeks we will process your application and upon acceptance you will need to send an enrolment deposit of 60 euro to confirm your reservation.

The whole course fee needs to be transferred before 1st August 2017.



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### Further Information

For extended flyer with biographies of Milos Sejn, Frank van de Ven and photos from the Morava River area see

[www.bohemiaerosa.org](http://www.bohemiaerosa.org)

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