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SOMA

SOMA is an independent non-profit contemporary art exhibition space that has been fostering **collaboration between cultural practitioners and artists, scholars, and activists from around the world** to promote sustainable dialogue since its founding in 2014.

Art practices and thematic complexes that receive little attention in the overall societal context – **the realities of Female, Lesbian, Intersex, Trans and Agender (FLINTA) individuals, people of the global south, and lesser-told stories** – are the main interest of SOMA. SOMA's curatorial concept explicitly involves not prescribing established readings and ideologies to artists and collaborators, but rather bringing together a spectrum of different personal and theoretical perspectives within the thematic focus of individual projects.

They work strongly with **Berlin-based artists who come from non-EU countries**, people who are discriminated against because of their origin, gender, religion, disabilities, or age, and who therefore have fewer opportunities for representation in the cultural sector.

SOMA defines itself as a **platform that maintains an honest and mindful dialogue with the presentation of artworks**. They also pay attention to a diversity of media – from **painting, photography, video to installations and performances**. The exhibitions at SOMA are regularly complemented by **workshop programmes, readings, symposia, and educational programmes**.

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