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EMOP Berlin 2025 — European Month of Photography

EMOP Opening Days 27 FEB—2 MAR

Kick-off with numerous exhibitions and a comprehensive programme of events and talks

The **EMOP Opening Days** will kick off of this year's edition of the photo festival **EMOP BERLIN** – a month that is all about photography. EMOP Berlin invites visitors to the festival centre at the Akademie der Künste's site on Hanseatenweg for a comprehensive programme that includes not just two main exhibitions, but also offers the opportunity to engage intensively with current discourses around the medium of photography.

The EMOP Opening Days begin with the opening of the main festival exhibition *what stands between us. Photography as a Medium for Chronicling*, which is shown in the festival centre together with the exhibition *Ein Dorf 1950–2022. Ute Mahler, Werner Mahler und Ludwig Schirmer*. There is no admission charge during the EMOP Opening Days.

Highlights of the EMOP Opening Days:

Sound, image and und live texts by Paul Hutchinson

As part of the opening celebrations on February 27 at the Akademie der Künste, Paul Hutchinson will present an **exclusive live performance** that combines moving picture, sound and photography into a performative reading. The artist, known for his explorations of urban life and culture as well as social injustice, will present an audio-visual excursion that comprises current as well as unpublished works and texts.

Discover new perspectives

The programme of the EMOP Opening Days comprises **artist talks** that offer insights into photographic practices, and **panel discussions** that explore the festival's leitmotif *what stands between us*. The focus will be on topics like documentary photography as a political practice, remembering and forgetting through photographic images, experiences of flight and migration, image politics, and the climate crisis. In addition, there will also be a screening of select films with the title *Recollection of Time – Films and Talks*.



Photos in Books

Photos in Books offers an opportunity to discover small and larger publishing houses and their publications. The format *Book Talks* provides valuable insights into the genesis and significance of photo books.

Award of the Ellen Auerbach Scholarship

The scholarship is awarded every two years, financed by the estate of the photographer Ellen Auerbach, which is administered by the Akademie der Künste. The Ellen Auerbach Scholarship for Photography 2024 is awarded to Ilit Azoulay, who works at the intersection of photography, fine art, and sound art. The award ceremony will take place on February 28, 2025 at the Akademie der Künste on Hanseatenweg.

EMOP Special *Junge Szene*

A further highlight of the EMOP Opening Days is the opening of the group show *Meet Me Halfway* as part of the **EMOP Special *Junge Szene***. The group exhibition brings together six Berlin and Potsdam institutions that offer training in the field of photography and presents the perspectives of 14 emerging photographers.

The festival weekend is rounded off by numerous further exhibition openings and other events organized by the festival's partners throughout the city.

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EMOP OPENING DAYS:

27 FEB 2025 from 7 pm

28 FEB 2025 2-10 pm

1 MAR 2025 11 am-10 pm

2 MAR 2025 11 am-7 pm

EMOP Berlin c/o Akademie der Künste
Hanseatenweg 10
10557 Berlin



Programme of the EMOP Opening Days

The complete programme of the EMOP Opening Days is available [HERE](#).

There is no admission charge, and the events are, unless otherwise stated, in German.

Comprehensive calendar of events

All exhibitions and other events during the entire festival month can be found [HERE](#).

Images are available from the [press area](#)

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