

Press release

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Nomads talking about home

Their passport is the “Bahncard 100” giving half-price train fares, and their kitchen is the Bordbistro on the ICE inter-city express. Slam poets are modern urban nomads, constantly on the move from one stage to the next. As part of the poesiefestival berlin eight of the best-known proponents of the German slam scene will be talking about what home means to them. Performing in the Academy of Arts on 8 June 2013 will be Bas Böttcher, Bleu Broode, Theresa Hahl, Franziska Holzheimer, Frank Klötgen, Wehwalt Koslovsky, Lars Ruppel and Temye Tesfu.

Slam poetry lives from the spoken word, and slam poets live by travelling. Whether taking part in or hosting tournaments and championships, the stages of Germany and the world are the temporary homes where they pitch their word-tents. So who better to talk about travelling away and coming home and the idea of a place where one feels, or feels one ought to feel, one belongs? The Spoken Word artists who have been invited to the poesiefestival berlin are some of the most successful figures on the German slam scene.

Between the performances, Berlin’s Electro Swing DJ Ernesto Linares will be creating a field of sound to let yourself be carried away on without losing the event’s momentum. For one thing’s certain – it’ll be fast and furious.



Bas Böttcher photo: promo



Theresa Hahl photo: private

The 14th poesiefestival berlin is taking place from 7-15 June 2013 in the Academy of Arts, Hanseatenweg 10, 10557 Berlin.

For more information please go to www.poesiefestival.org

The poesiefestival berlin is a project by the Literaturwerkstatt Berlin in cooperation with the Academy of Arts with the generous support of the Hauptstadtkulturfonds.

Fri. 8 June 2013, 10 pm
Home of the Nomads. The Slam Poetry
Gala.

Academy of Arts, Hanseatenweg 10, 10557
Berlin

Featuring Bas Böttcher, Bleu Broode, Theresa
Hahl, Franziska Holzheimer, Frank Klötgen,
Wehwalt Koslovsky, Lars Ruppel and Temye
Tesfu

Electro Swing with DJ Ernesto Linares
Hosted by: Julian Heun (slam poet and writer,
Berlin)

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The Literaturwerkstatt Berlin is campaigning for the establishment of a German Centre for Poetry. This Poetry Centre will be a place that provides services and information, as well as being a place of work, a meeting place and a venue for readings and other events, for poets, for the interested public of all ages, producers, publishers, students and teachers, and for media and multipliers from Germany and around the world. For more information please go to www.poesiezentrum.de