

**artspring berlin, that means that this year for the fifth time:
The borough will become a gallery!**



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Under the motto SIGNALE! you can experience the diversity of art and cultural production in Pankow, Prenzlauer Berg and Weißensee throughout May as part of the *artspring spots art festival*. Exhibitions, concerts, readings, performances, a curated film and literature program, as well as various themed days will be on display from May 7 – some of it online on our website due to the pandemic.

In spite of this, the district will – literally – become a gallery this year: a new format, the *artspring artwalk*, provides a walkable path between this year's various artspring spaces, connecting shop windows and locations across the district and allowing countless artistic interventions to be experienced while strolling around.

The centerpiece and finale of the *artspring art festival* in the greater Pankow district is the open studio weekend on June 5 and 6, 2021: during which 320 artists will open the doors to their work spaces and provide a glimpse into their current work.

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SIGNALS! analog / digital / emotional / informative / necessary / superfluous / sent / received / encrypted / tell-tale / socially critical / private / polemic / physical / real / false / loud / quiet / acoustic / visual / text-based / important / repeated / flooding / cosmic / terrestrial / binary / standardized / invented / encouraging / discouraging / seeking help ... what do we hear? What are we sending?

Duration: 7 May - 6 June 2021

Admission: free of charge

Locations: various locations in the greater Pankow district

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Both the festival program **artspring spots** as well as the activities around the artspring artwalk are currently being actively prepared. A first preview:

- May 7: Opening of the **artspring spots** art festival in hybrid form.
- Start of numerous exhibitions in exhibition spaces, vacant stores and store windows as well as presentations on our website. The full program will be online soon.
- The **artspring Festivalzeitung** (festival newspaper) lists all participating studios and venues with images, text and a map. It will be displayed at central locations and distributed to selected mailboxes.
- The arts festival is accompanied by a podcast for the first time: "**artspring – was soll das?**" ("**artspring – what's that about?**") will be available to stream on the website and Spotify.
- On May 7, the first of four screenings of the **artspringnale film festival** will take place. It features a cinema program with live talks every week on Fridays. The cinematic signals from the borough range from historical footage to current lockdown clips to dystopian futures (as well as hopes) ...
- The literary program **artspring audio** presents readings every week on Tuesdays at different locations in the district via live stream, even if the locations are currently closed, starting May 11.
- from May 20: exhibition **artspring signale** with the participants of the open studios in the Kulturkapellen.
- May 29: **themed day** on the topic "Raumfrage – Die Zukunft der Kulturorte im Bezirk Pankow" ("**The question of space – the future of cultural venues in the district of Pankow**")
- from June 4: exhibition for **artspring** with participants of the open studios in the Galerie Parterre.
- June 5 and 6: numerous extra events are also planned during the **open studios weekend**.
- June 8: **themed day** on the challenge of "Collecting art" at Galerie Parterre.

In collaboration with proven and new cooperation partners, we are truly able to implement the motto „The district becomes a gallery“ this year.

In 2021, the **artspring artwalk** will forge links across Prenzlauer Berg:

- Starting as early as May 7, the **Schönhauser Allee Arcaden** will also become a gallery and the setting for several large-scale, artistic interventions. Further interventions will take place in situ during the course of the month.
- The **Bornholm II** garden complex will become an open air exhibition: artistic interactions will be placed and signposted in the gardens.
- The facade front of the **Colloseum cinema**, vacant stores will be artistically occupied in Schönhauser Allee, art actions in public space ...
- The **artspring artwalk** will not be static and during the month we will invite you to different walks and guided tours (real and digital via QR code).

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Every year in May, *artspring berlin* organizes an art festival in the greater district of Pankow – a whole month of art actions, concerts, performances, readings, exhibitions, screenings, workshops and, above all, open studios. Every year, *artspring* grows a little further, initiates new ideas for the visibility of art and culture and creates cooperation and synergy effects.

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