

ladyfest amsterdam 2008



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WELCOME to LADYFEST AMSTERDAM 2008!

Herstory - What is Ladyfest?

Ladyfest is a community based, non-profit, global, political, music and arts festival for women and people supportive of gender equality. In addition to readings/lectures, workshops and parties, Ladyfest features: music, sound, film, dance, theatre, visual art, performance, media, literature, food, and fashion.

The origins of Ladyfest developed from the DIY ethic of the Riot grrrl movement and "inclusive feminist philosophy". Ladyfest events are run by volunteers and proceeds are often donated to non-profit organizations. The first Ladyfest took place in 2000, since then Ladyfest has been organized in countries all over the world. Each new Ladyfest is organized locally and independently from the other festivals.

Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008

We aim to inspire and arouse feminists in addition to those who are curious about feminism. We focus especially - but not exclusively - on the achievements of creative women. We seek diversity and want to promote gender equality by provoking thought and discussion on gender issues.

Ladyfest Amsterdam welcomes anyone who is interested, open-minded and supportive of the primary aim of the festival: to promote gender equality. The fest will be as inclusive and accessible as possible for participants, organizers and attendees. Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008 will rejuvenate, evaluate, celebrate and RE-INVENT the F-word!

For your information

Almost all workshops are FREE of charge. Note that some have limited spaces! The entry fee for each film night is 4 euros and each music/concert night is 5 euros. It is possible (and sometimes advised due to limited spaces) to make reservations to attend workshops, films and concerts. We can only accept reservations via email: reservationladyfestamsterdam@gmail.com (there is a computer available at the Dokhuis Café)

We have chosen to make this Ladyfest as non-commercial and DIY as possible. We have kept the prices cheap so that everyone can attend the festival. We highly appreciate donations of those who are able to make them. You can also help out by purchasing Ladyfest badges (six different kinds are available!) and T-shirts.

OPENING LADYFEST AMSTERDAM 2008
at Cavia!

Ladyfest will open with a scream! 'Bulderdrang' will be performing one of their short screams (schreeuwen), and, if that's not enough vegan Horrrs d' oeuvrrres from the 'Guerrilla Mixer' + some nice bubbly drinks will accompany the launch of Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008!

Don't miss it, be there at 19:00!

*Thursday 4th September
19:00-20:30 Ladyfest LAUNCH
Filmhuis Cavia Entrance: FREE!*

PROGRAMME THURSDAY September 4th

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Thursday 4th: 13.00-17.00 Dokhuis Café

Reservation & HANG OUT

Every day the cafe at the Plantagedok (where all workshops will take place) opens one hour before the first workshop. Here you can get a cup of coffee and make reservations for the festival. During lunch, veggie-organic tosties will be available from the TostieTrut. In the afternoon soup and bread will be served (all vegan and affordable). There's also a computer with internet available.

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Thursday 4th: 18.00 Dokhuis Café

Collective Bike Ride - Dokhuis Café to Filmhuis Cavia

We will bike together (with who's there and into it) from the Plantagedok to Filmhuis Cavia for the grand opening of the festival and the film program "We Shave the Queen!". If you don't have a bike, you can try catching a ride here with somebody or rent a bike at Macbike (for more information go to the Practical info page).

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Thursday 4th: 19.00-20.30 Filmhuis Cavia

Ladyfest LAUNCH

Entrance: FREE!

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Thursday 4th: 20.30h Filmhuis Cavia

We Shave the Queen! Music, gender, sex at the movies

Entrance: 4,00 €

Music clips:

Rusty Nails: Don't F*** With My Babies. USA. 2004 //

Philippe Lonestar: Acne Core. USA. 2005 //

Justin Kelly: Spit and Glitter. USA. 2007 //

Consuelo Ramez: Keep it moving. USA. 2008 //

Pauline Boudry: A street angel with a cowboy mouth. FRG. 2006. 35 min
The film documents Rhythm King and her friends' European tour, undertaken after the release of their first LP "I am Disco". Concert footage is supplemented with the rarely seen side of touring: backstage life, the travel, the encounters along the way. //

Preview of: Sabine Baumann, Karin Michalski: Working on it. CH/FRG. 2008. 50 min.
What does it mean to interfere with public images of sexuality and whiteness, to invent a new language for more than two genders and to reverse devaluations referring to sexual identity at workplaces? //

Jazzmen Lee-Johnson: Beat Back Bush Workout. USA. 2005. 18 min. This 'workout video' is a captivating and satirical multimedia project that invites people to exercise their minds, bodies, and rights. //

Christina Schäfer: The Corner. FRG. 2007. 5 min. The film explores the sights and sounds of a neighborhood, and its relation to the protagonist. //

Loree Erickson: Want. CA. 2006. 10 min. This award winning film weaves together sexually explicit images with everyday moments of the ableist world. //

Loree Erickson: Sexxy. CA. 2006. 3 min. This short video compels the viewer to take a closer hotter look at wheelchairs and the people who use them. //

Pornopticon: Cyber 69 1/2. CA. 2007. 7 min. The video humorously draws the early nineties enthusiasm for cyberspace as a site where identities can unfold unconstrained, as well as from stereotypical erotic images and art porn. //

PROGRAMME FRIDAY September 5th

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Friday 5th: 10.00-17.00 Dokhuis Café

Reservation & HANG OUT

Every day the cafe at the Plantagedok (where all workshops will take place) opens one hour before the first workshop. Here you can get a cup of coffee and make reservations for the festival. During lunch, veggie-organic-tosties will be available from the TostieTrut. In the afternoon soup/bread will be served (all vegan and affordable).

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Friday 5th: 11:00-14:00 Dokhuis Studio

Becoming Women

The workshop will be a 3-hour occasion to watch, discuss, learn and reflect on films. (Observing, understanding & critiquing films, from queer & feminist perspective)

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Friday 5th: 11:00-13:00 Dokhuis Zaal

DIY Internet Radio (PINQ RADIO)

Learn how to make your own live radio broadcast on the internet.

Friday 5th: 12:00-14:00 Dokhuis Café

LUNCH - Tosti Trut

Pick out your veggies and the TostiTrut will make your organic veggie tosti on the spot!

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Friday 5th: 13:00-15:00 Dokhuis Zaal

“Slijp je Tong” (LOVER)

A workshop about writing and getting your work published. The workshop will be in Dutch. On Sunday at 17:00h a mini-Lover will be presented at the Dokhuis café especially for Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008!

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Friday 5th: 13:00-16:00 Dokhuis Cafe (basement/kelder)

DIY Sex Toys

Need we say more other that get down and drrrrty making your very own dildo or strap-on. 5€

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Friday 5th: 14:00-16:00 Dokhuis Café

The SEW project - Sanitary (for) Ever Worn (DIY Sanitary Pads)

Make your own reusable, washable sanitary pads.

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Friday 5th: 14:00-15:30 & 15:30-17:00 Dokhuis Studio
DIY Organic - vegetarian Soap

Learn how to make organic, vegetarian soap.
Max 6 participants per session- make a reservation!

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Friday 5th: 16:30 Dokhuis Café
Collective Bike Ride to Chiellerie Gallery

Around 16:30 we will bike together (with who's there and into it) from the Plantagedok café to the opening of the art exhibition.

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Friday 5th: 17:00-22:00 Chiellerie Gallery
Opening Visual Arts Exhibition

"the influence of gender politics in contemporary art"

"Successful political art alerts one to the situation. Political art is always being attacked between intentions and technique - a fake argument because the problem of success in relation to intentions and technique is not just a problem of political art but of all arts." - Nancy Spero

Participating artists:

Nina Nijsten - Lotte Klaver - Malin Kundi - Richtje Reinsma - Nynke Kuipers - Eva Pel - Noga

Zohar - Emine Sahinaz Akalin - Roosmarijn Schoonewelle - Doreen Wittenbols - Seda Manavoglu
- Beldan Sezen - Sarah Claudon - Teresa Orazio

The exhibition runs until September 11th. Gallery hours daily 14:00-18:00

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Friday 5th: 18:30 Chiellerie Gallery
Collective Bike Ride Chiellerie Gallery - Filmhuis Cavia

For the people who wanna see and do it all a collective bike ride will be organized from Chiellery
Gellery to Filmhuis Cavia for the filmprogram "Sexworkers speak up!".

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Friday 5th: 19.00 - 21.00 Filmhuis Cavia
Sex Workers Speak Up! Film program

Entrance: 4,00 €

All over the world, sex workers are facing a variety of problems when their labour is not accepted due to taboos, discrimination, police harassment, ostracism, while sometimes access to health and social services is denied. This evening, we want to listen to their descriptions and demands by using DVD clips and discussing with sex workers and their organisations that will join us for the occasion, for example the International Committee for the Rights of Sex Workers in Europe (ICRSE; see also www.sexworkeurope.org).

Extracts from 'La Putain de Compile':

Mirha Soleil Ross: Exxxpressions. Canada, 2006, 15 min. 250 sex workers from all over the world reunited themselves in 2005 in Montreal. This short film is a resumee of their opinions and preoccupations regarding fundamental (human) rights. //

Lolagouine: Genderpoo. Spain, 2006, 1,30 min. WC-signs for all of those who are sick of binary symbols.

C.J. Roessler: Negotiating the Rights of Sex Workers. India, USA, 9 min. This short film displays the march and the manifest of sex worker of the Durbar Mahila Samanya Committee (DMSC). //

Extracts from: 'Sexy Shock and the International Committee of the Rights of Sex Workers in Europe: Ni Coupables, Ni Victimes'. 2006.

This film collects fragments - comments and desires of participants of the 2005 European conference on sex work, human rights, labour, and migration in Brussels. //

Ursula Biemann: Remote Sensing. 2001, 53 min. See description below. //

Ditte Haarløv Johnsen: One Day. Denmark, 2007, 30 min. See description below. //

Die Spurensucherinnen: The Sex Worker's World Cup. Germany, 2008. Just before the World Cup 2006, Germany was overrun by the rumour that 40.000 women were going to be trafficked into Germany for forced prostitution. This short film tries to grasp how the discourse came about, and what the realities were for sex workers during the games. //

After 21.00: Screening of the full length films:

Ursula Biemann: Remote Sensing. 2001, 53 min. Biemann traces the routes and reasons of

women who travel across the globe for work in the sex industry. By using the latest images from NASA satellites, this video-essay takes an earthly perspective on cross-border circuits, where women have emerged as key actors. It expertly links new geographic technologies to the sexualization and displacement of women on a global scale. //

Ditte Haarløv Johnsen: One day. Denmark, 2007, 30 min. Intimate close-ups conceal faces but reveal sordid circumstances in ONE DAY, a complex short about a 36-year-old Ghanaian prostitute who earns a living in a suburb of Copenhagen. The camera captures her body in fragments, discrete and respectful, using close-ups that never reveal her entire face. Just a day in her life. //

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Friday 5th: 20:00 (doors open) Vrankrijk
PunkFever Music program

Entrance: 5,00 €

Corey Orbison (UK), Vald (SE), The Edukators, (NL), Bikini Kill Cover Band, DJJane ms Fortune, DJ/VJ Pippi //

Performances: Karate by Vrouwen Karate Vereniging Shuri-Ryu, & Fire-show by Templus Ignis Inferre.

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PROGRAMME SATURDAY September 6th

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Saturday 6th: 10.00-17.00 Dokhuis Café

Reservation & HANG OUT

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Saturday 6th: 11:00-17:00 Sunday Dokhuis

Info market & XminY

Book sale by Savannah bay (a feminist bookstore in Utrecht), tees, stickers, badges and patches, info, organizations, etc etc... All can be found at the infomarket on Saturday in the hallway or outside depending on the weather.

For Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008, XminY has made a short video on the projects that they have supported. The video will accompany the Infomarket and will be broad-casted in the Dokhuis on Friday/Saturday and Sunday during Ladyfest.

Saturday 6th: 11:00-12:30 Dokhuis Zaal

Hoola Hoop

Get in shape grrrl and fit for a big day of workshops with some hoola hoop fun!



Saturday 6th: 11:00-13:00 Dokhuis Studio

FNV vrouwenbond

Een lezing en discussie door FNV vrouwenbond. Women identified only!



Saturday 6th: 12:00-14:00 Dokhuis Café

LUNCH - Tosti Trut

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Saturday 6th: 13:00-14:00 Dokhuis Zaal

Women on Waves & Women on Web

A presentation and discussion on the struggle to make safe abortion accessible by Women on Waves/Women on the web.



Saturday 6th: 14:00-17:00 Dokhuis Studio

'In Other Wor(I)ds' - An Exercise in Collective Writing

The participants are invited to write a science fiction story. Max 5 participants make a RESERVATION!

Note there will be a 2nd writing session for this workshop (where and when will be decided during the workshop on Saturday)



Saturday 6th: 12:00-14:00 Dokhuis Marike

Supporting People who have been sexually abused

In this workshop we will learn how to support people who have been sexually abused. For women-identified participants only.



Saturday 6th: 14:00-16:00 Dokhuis Marike

Doctor Booth

Doctor Linda will try to advise and help women with all their medical questions.



Saturday 6th: 15:00-17:00 Dokhuis Zaal

Reclaiming the streets – Heksennacht

“Whatever we wear and wherever we go, yes means yes and no means no!”



Saturday 6th: 15.00-20.00 Binnenpret

LadyLounge

15:00 coffee & cake

17:00 Music starts with: Eva (singer/songwriter, NL), Renee Stevense (singer/songwriter, NL),
Open Mic.

DJ Diepvriesdames met BandBingo

Don't forget to check out the Dirty Daan photo exhibition at the MKZ!

Entrance: Free



Saturday 6th: 19.00 MKZ

Dinner by Steungroep Vrouwen Zonder Verblijfsvergunning

MKZ max 50 people Make a RESERVATION!



Saturday 6th: 19.00-21.00 Filmhuis Cavia
Rise Above: The Tribe 8 Documentary USA

Entrance 4,00 €

2003, 80 min

A candid, often humorous, look into the private world of the sexy, radical dyke punk band, **TRIBE8**. Through filmed performances and intense personal stories of addiction and loss, **RISE ABOVE** captures the beauty and resilience that lies just beneath the rough exterior of a controversial and gender-bending punk rock band. The images presented on stage of blow jobs, sadomasochistic acts and mock castrations are not shocking the audience for shock's sake, but understood on a deeper level through the band members' intense personal disclosures. These interviews inform an understanding and respect for why they do what they do.

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Saturday 6th: 20.00 OCCII

RockBottomBootyShake

Entrance 5,00 €

20:00 (doors open with Cocktailbar!)

Music downstairs with host Pepe the Clown // Monica and the Explosion (SE), Agatha (IT), Marie Celeste (NL), E.V.A. (Berlin) DJ Nanny Knockout, DJ Sil // Music upstairs with host The Naked Mc aka JennePen: Shay and Sarah (spoken word, NL), Tieka (spoken performance, NL), Zanillya (Mc/spoken rap, NL) DJ team FatFuck, Amira, Starring Jasmine, Shug la Sheedah // Performance: Bellydance by Fatih, Dragking. //

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PROGRAMME SUNDAY September 7th

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Sunday 7th: 11:00-18:00 Dokhuis Café

Reservation & HANG OUT

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Sunday 7th: 12.00-13.00 Dokhuis Zaal

Drag King

Every outfit is drag, and all drag is a performance. This workshop will show you how to "pass" in the everyday world. Come prepared to experience the world from a new perspective!

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Sunday 7th: 12:00-14:00 Dokhuis Café

LUNCH - Tosti Trut

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Sunday 7th: 12:00-14:00 Dokhuis Cafe

The Hard Pencil / Drawing workshop Oo Aa

In the workshop 'Oo Aa' participants will work together making collective cartoons and drawings relating to sex.

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Sunday 7th: 13:00-15:00 Dokhuis Studio

Feminist porn and erotic film

If you believe that feminist porn is not only possible but desirable, here's a place to find out what exists and imagine what could be. Women identified only!

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Sunday 7th: 13:00-17:00 Dokhuis Cafe

Stitch & Bitch

You think knitting isn't feminist? Think again!

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Sunday 7th: 14:00-16:00 Dokhuis Zaal

Onbeperkt houdbaar

Onbeperkt Houdbaar fights the big cosmetic corporations.

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Sunday 7th: 16:00-18:00 Dokhuis Studio

Racism and Whiteness

In this workshop we will focus on the 'other side of racism'.

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Sunday 7th: 16:00-18:00 Dokhuis Zaal

Vrouwen zonder papieren

The Supportgroup Undocumented Women (SVZV) is trying to better the position of women who, for whatever reason, have become illegal.

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Sunday 7th: 17.00 Dokhuis Café

LOVER

Presentation of the mini-lover –special edition- for Ladyfest Amsterdam

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Sunday 7th: 19.00-20.00 OCCII

Ladyfest RoundUp

As is the tradition with every Ladyfest, on the final afternoon of the festival organizers will share with you their experiences, and tell you the secrets to their success.

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Sunday 7th: 20.00 OCCII

ExtraDeluxe

Entrance 5,00 €

Music: Dusty Blinds (indierock, NL), The Strawberry Jam (pop'n'roll, ISR), Kania Tieffer (electropop, BE) // DJ Sin Control, VJ NunswithGuns

Performance: Butt kraaker Cabaret



Practical info

Central location

The central location of the festival is at the Plantagedok . This is where most work-shops will take place. In the Plantagedok Café you can drink a cup of coffee and make reservations for the festival. During lunch, veggie-organic tosties will be available from the Tosti Trut and late in the afternoon soup/bread will be served up (all vegan and affordable). There's also a computer with internet.

You can easily get to the Plantagedok from central station (walk 20 min) or by tram #19 (get off at the 'Plantage Kerklaan' stop). If you're coming from somewhere else, check www.9292ov.nl how to get there. You can use the online forum to offer and/or catch a ride from outside Amsterdam.

Reservations

Reservations for film, music and diner! We have no idea how many people will attend the festival! We do know, however, that some venues and workshops have limited spaces. In order to be fair to every-one, we have decided to only have a select number of reservations available for each venue. This means there will also be a number of unreserved spaces for you latecomers. You can make a reservation via email to this address: reservationladyfestamsterdam@gmail.com (There is a computer available at the central location in the Dokhuis Café for this purpose during the festival.)

BIG NOTE: Reservations for:

- = Music have to be picked up before 22:00 at the venue otherwise they will be sold to other revolutionary dancers.
- = Film fanatics will have to pick up their reservations at the Filmhuis Cavia before 18:30 otherwise they will also be sold.
- = Dinner reservations at the MKZ Saturday night can also be made via: reservationladyfestamsterdam@gmail.com
- = Workshop reservations only have to be made for those workshops with limited spaces.

Getting from one venue to the other

From the Café at the Plantagedok we will make cycling groups to the other venues (check the program). When not listed in the program, you'll have to navigate the city on your own or form groups to travel with. For this, please make use of the forum or the message board posted at the Plantagedok café.

At the Dokhuis Café you can also pick-up a a 25% discount voucher towards a bicycle rental from MacBike. MacBike is located next to Waterlooplein at 5 minutes walking distance from the Ladyfest headquarters. **IMPORTANT:** Always bring proof of identity and 50 euros or a credit card with you as security.

Ladyfest locations addresses

Plantagedok: Plantage Doklaan 8/12, 1018 CM Amsterdam www.plantagedok.nl

Filmhuis Cavia: Van Hallstraat 52-I (upstairs), 1051 HH Amsterdam www.filmhuiscavia.nl

Chiellerie Gallery: Raamgracht 58, 1011 KK Amsterdam www.chiellerie.nl

Occii (Binnenpret & MKZ): Amstelveenseweg 134, 1075 XL Amsterdam www.occii.org

Vrankrijk: Spuistraat 216, 1012 VT Amsterdam www.vrankrijk.org

Organizational structure Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008

All organizers are volunteers. The steering committee consists of 4 women and the entire group 15 people with a wide range of backgrounds, occupations, interests and politics.

End Note

Are you interested at contributing to the festival spirit just a little bit more? You can do so by participating at making Ladyfest internet Radio or by writing for Lover's Special Ladyfest edition through the "Slijp je tong" workshop.

We are glad to receive your pictures (ladyfestamsterdam@riseup.net) and/or you uploading them through the website or ladyfestamsterdam.myspace.com.

Ladyfest Amsterdam 2008 would like to thank:

all the contributing participants, Plantagedok+Vrankrijk+OCCII (binnenpret)+MKZ collectives, Chiellerie Gallery, MacBike, Savannah Bay, EYFA and anyone basically who has donated something or their time and worked really hard to make it all happen!
THANK YOU! XXX

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