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A trans Pavilion

Location	A trans Pavilion curated by Isolde Nagel in the Hackesche Höfe Berlin
Artist	Olivier Vanderaa Citysnapper_5 [Berlin] , <i>Snapshot of a reunification</i> (a part of the exhibition series <i>A synchroni-city</i>)
Opening	Saturday 1, December 2007 at 4 pm
Exhibition dates	2 December 2007 – 12 January 2008
Welcome	Roger Hotermans, Representative Wallonie-Bruxelles Isabelle Roche, Art Agent Olivier Vanderaa Isolde Nagel
Opening hours	Thu – Sun 2 pm – 7 pm and by appointment Shopwindow 24 hours The visitors are invited to interact on-site or react via SMS +49(0)175 9618943
Address	A trans Pavilion Die Hackeschen Höfe Hof III Rosenthalerstr. 40/41 D-10178 Berlin-Mitte www.atrans.org • in@atrans.org
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The 6th installation of the exhibition series *A synchroni-city* features the Belgian web artist and photographer Olivier Vanderaa and his project *Citysnapper_5 [Berlin]*. *Citysnapper_5* is a portrait of Berlin and of the Berliners from 2006. The work confronts the photographer's personal view of this city with inhabitants' perception of urban reality. This snapshot of Berlin's urban and social contexts, attempts to map the city in its reunified condition 16 years after the fall of the Berlin Wall.

Citysnapper_5 also focuses on the notion of the city center. As viewers actively navigate the work, they are provided with an account of the evolution of the idea of the city center in the minds of Berlin's residents.

The artist created 170 photographic images of the city and recorded 18 interviews in the streets of Berlin, and originally organized the collected materials into a web interface based on a stylized map of Berlin showing the path of the former Wall. Hotspots are seen along this path; when each is clicked, a pair of interviews is played, accompanied by a series of images seen to the left and right of the map. Seen on the left are images and interviews documenting the former West Berlin, while those on the right document the former East Berlin.

Citysnapper_5 is presented for the first time to the public on site. On this occasion, the work will be shaped into an interactive installation derived from the website. Visitors will be able to physically step on the map to display images and texts. They will also have the opportunity to post on location their reactions to the statements of the 18 interviewees.

The artist will be present at the exhibition at A trans Pavilion during the opening hours.

The **opening reception** will take place on **Saturday 1, December 2007 at 4 pm**.

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend.

For additional information please contact Isolde Nagel +49 173. 202 52 20 or see www.atrans.org, www.o-vanderaa.com/citysnapper5 (*Citysnapper_5*) or www.citysnapper.com (more citysnappers)