

ERASED WALLS

About Perpetual Art Machine:

Perpetual Art Machine [PAM] is a living archive of 21st century international video art featuring over 2000 videos and over 1000 artists from over 50 countries. [PAM]'s rapid growth leverages the full potential of convergent media, advanced computing and database technologies not only to stream video artist's work online, but also to exhibit video in large-scale interactive installations.

Created in December 2005 as a collaboration between the artists Lee Wells, Raphaela Shirley, Chris Borkowski and Aaron Miller, [PAM] democratizes the curatorial process for both the artists and for the viewer/user through an open submission policy, social tagging and touchscreen/keyword access during display.

"Transient Limits and Shifting Boundaries" Curated Video Program for Erased Walls by Raphaela Shirley and Lee Wells of Perpetual art Machine:

The impact of the former division of Central and Eastern Europe on the balance of societies, in this video program, is reconsidered as a metaphor for dichotomies, separations and alienations which can be found in palpable and impalpable forms in our lives throughout the globe. As our human society grows in complexity, histories and relationships are buried under the myriad of information and one can lose track of divisions which exist within the everyday.

The Artist's role in the midst of this is to reveal, through associations of image and concepts, unidentified or forgotten truths or contradictions. The group of artists chosen for this program each touch through their work on questions of boundaries whether they be within the realm of identity, physical endurance, aesthetics, social interaction, political positioning or geographical predetermination. Through delicate or bold strokes they re-represent chasms within our state of being, seeking to reveal or mend the differences which echo or stem from the divisions found within Europe in the last century, and within human relations as a whole.

Artists of the screenings

Josephin Boettger
Bruno Muzzolini
Evelin Stermitz
George Barber
Heini Aho
Iris Piers
Iva Rad
Jason Archer

Katja Aglert
 Maira Joao Salema
 Manik
 Rodney Dickson
 Sebastian Ziegler
 Tim White-Sobieski
 Tomislav Brajnovic
 Tony Hultqvist & Max Valentin



PAM – Still from the screenings program

