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**LUMBUNG PROGRAM DURING DOCUMENTA FIFTEEN: OPENING WEEK,
ARTISTS' EVENTS, AND MEYDAN**

From June 18 to September 25, 2022, the lumbung members and lumbung artists of documenta fifteen, as well as their invited participants activate Kassel throughout 100 days: Under the title *lumbung program*, artists organize workshops, demonstrations, listening sessions, conversations, readings, and film screenings—events that take place across the city beyond the 32 exhibition venues. Exhibition venues become meeting places, living rooms, and spaces for discussion and rest. Together with their invited guests and collaborators, the artists decide on the use of the sites, which do not remain static during the 100 days, but constantly change.

lumbung program includes the Opening Week program, the artists' events during the runtime, and the three-part weekend format *Meydan*. A large part of the events is jointly organized with various partners of the Kassel *ekosistem*. The collaborative network structures, through which knowledge and other resources are shared, enable numerous programs that are addressed to documenta fifteen's visitors with whom they are exchanged and developed further.

Opening Week**Saturday June 18–Saturday 25, 2022****Areas: Mitte, Fulda, Nordstadt, Bettenhausen**

The Opening Week is filled with events by lumbung members and lumbung artists, and kicks off on Saturday, June 18, 2022, with an evening live music and parties. These events take place simultaneously, forming a network of dispersed opening celebrations across the city in collaboration with Kassel *ekosistem*. An exhibition ticket (also the evening ticket) includes the entry to all evening events. Participation in the party on Friedrichsplatz is also possible without a ticket. More information on the events of the Opening Week is available in our website calendar.

Over three weekends: *Meydan*

Meydan takes place every second weekend of the month during documenta fifteen:

July 8–10, August 12–14, and September 9–11, 2022. *Meydan* as a word is used in Arabic, Persian, Turkish, and Urdu to refer to a public area used for coming together, a square or a public park. It's an accessible space for having assemblies to discuss, to dissent, or to celebrate. *Meydan* comprises different social gatherings, and is a collaboration with Kassel *ekosistem*.

Meydan weekend #1

July 8–10, 2022

Area: Mitte & Fulda

With readings, creative workshops, and discussion panels, one of the programs of the first *Meydan* weekend is a meeting of more than 20 independent, international publishing houses, called *lumbung of Publishers*. An open-air music festival also takes place during the three days of Meydan, being hosted by various *lumbung* artists, *lumbung* members, and local Kassel collaborators. A wide range of food, music, films and talks rounds off the program.

Meydan weekend #2

August 12–14, 2022

Area: Nordstadt

In collaboration with Kulturzentrum Schlachthof, the second *Meydan* weekend includes the 24th Kassel Worldmusicfestival, a flea and food market, workshops for kids and young adults, as well as other activities and spaces to gather and play.

Meydan weekend #3

September 9–11, 2022

Area: Bettenhausen

During the last *Meydan* weekend, developed in collaboration with Sandershaus, the experiences gained during *documenta fifteen* as well as the *harvests*—artistic reflections of meetings and processes in such shape as storytelling, drawing, film, or songs—will be celebrated. The harvest festival allows one to reflect on the process of *lumbung* so far as well as planning for the ways of working together beyond the end of *documenta fifteen*. The program also includes music events, talks, as well as workshops on sustainability and artistic alternative institution building.

lumbung Film

lumbung Film, a jointly realized film program by *lumbung* members and *lumbung* artists, runs throughout the exhibition period at Gloria-Kino. On the three *Meydan* weekends, it shows programs specially put together by guest curators. *lumbung Film* can be understood as a repository for the artists' film and video works, which additionally allows visitors to contextualize the artistic works.

nongkrong Space

For three weekends during *Meydan*, there will be *nongkrong* designated spaces (in Indonesian *nongkrong* means “hanging out together”) in various areas across Kassel which function as living rooms—community spaces that accommodate conversations for initiating collaborations in a casual atmosphere. This includes foods, drinks, hospitality, and various programs organized by the Kassel ekosistem.

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Further information on lumbung program can be found in documenta fifteen's website calendar.

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