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**20 Years of Museum Tinguely
"Out of Order Day" Anniversary Celebration**

Museum Tinguely, Basel: September 25, 2016, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

On Sunday, September 25, 2016, Museum Tinguely is celebrating its 20th anniversary with a big party. On the final day of the temporary exhibition "Michael Landy. Out of Order" the Museum is inviting guests to a wide variety of attractions all about Jean Tinguely and Michael Landy in the Museum and in Solitude Park. In crowning conclusion, the EepyBirds will bring the day to a close with one of their spectacular *Mentos & Coke Experiments*.

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Michael Landy
Out Of Order

08.06.-25.09.
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Tinguely
Out of Order Day
20 Jahre Museum
Tinguely

Since its opening in October 1996, Museum Tinguely has recorded more than 2.5 million visitors and put on more than eighty exhibitions. With an alternating focus, the permanent exhibition presents a comprehensive overview of Tinguely's diverse creative activity. Temporary exhibitions take place alongside this, showcasing a broad spectrum of 20th and 21st-century artists and themes based on Tinguely's "ideas universe": Inspirations such as Marcel Duchamp and Kurt Schwitters, Tinguely's contemporaries such as Arman, Niki de Saint Phalle, and Yves Klein, just as much as current themes, such as sensory perceptions in art, and contemporary artists. Museum Tinguely has established itself as an institution for interdisciplinary co-operations, among others in the fields of music, dance, and education, and, in collaboration with both local and international partners, offers art projects a platform that is open to an extensive public. Museum Tinguely's program is known beyond Basel for promising the surprising, the unconventional, and plenty of interactivity.

Out of Order Day

The experimentation continues on anniversary day, too. A multifaceted program of hands-on events awaits the party guests, among others with the HEI.DO Street Lab, the Peng-Art-Maschine, and further activities for young and old. ChezJeannot picnic baskets, a barbecue, and paella will form the culinary complement to the anniversary celebration. Special tours with the museum's director, along with past and present colleagues, will additionally offer personal insights into the life and creative output of Jean Tinguely. British artist Michael Landy, to whom the current exhibition "Out of Order" (06.08.-09.25.2016) is dedicated, will talk about his work (3 p.m.) and reveal why his first retrospective is on show specifically at Museum Tinguely. One of the day's highlights will be the first Switzerland performance by the legendary EepyBirds, who, with the aid of more than 120 Coca-Cola bottles and Mentos candies, will be playing around in Solitude Park in true Jean Tinguely style with a unique performance and meters-high geysers and fizzing cola fountains. *The EepyBird Mentos & Coke Experiment@Museum Tinguely* will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Museum Tinguely, Basel



Museum Tinguely was opened in Basel in 1996 and houses the biggest collection of works by Jean Tinguely (1925–1991), one of the 20th century's most innovative and important Swiss artists. The museum, built by Tecinese architect Mario Botta, is located directly on the right bank of the Rhine in Solitude Park, adjacent to the Roche Campus. Museum Tinguely is the biggest cultural engagement by Roche. The company's one hundredth anniversary marked the external occasion for founding the museum. From the first concrete idea to build a museum at this location to the museum's opening (in 1996), just three years went past: a possible record. The basis for the collection of Museum Tinguely was Niki de Saint Phalle's

donation of 52 sculptures from Jean Tinguely's estate (1992). With this, the biggest batch of the artist's works found its home in Basel. Since then, the collection has been continuously expanded by further purchases and generous donations. In 2016, Museum Tinguely is a shining light in Basel's cultural landscape. With its cross-sector (exhibition) program, the museum is an attraction both for international, art-interested visitor groups and for a broad leisure-time public.

Temporary exhibition "Michael Landy. Out of Order"

The exhibition "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (06.08.-09.25.2016) brings together works from 1990 to the present day, and thus comprises the British artist's entire oeuvre so far. Landy's art is characterized by intensive dealing with society, with attitudes toward consumerism, toward the ephemerality of things, and toward dealing with possessing and letting go.

Tinguely has remained a leading artistic figure for him since he visited his exhibition at the Tate Gallery in 1982. In 2006, Landy began dealing intensively with *Homage to New York* (1960), during which Tinguely built a machine in the garden of the Museum of Modern Art and then had it destroy itself in front of an



invited audience. Michael Landy will be coming to Basel on "Out of Order Day" and closing his exhibition with a lecture on Jean Tinguely's ground-breaking action *Homage to New York* (1960) – the first self-destructing sculpture in art history. (3 p.m.)

Program for "Out of Order Day" – 20 Years of Museum Tinguely

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#MichaelLandy
#MuseumTinguely
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Special Guests & Events

Jean Tinguely's *Klammauk*



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Jean Tinguely's *Klammauk* (1979) can be experienced again after five years on "Out of Order Day". ©

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- Jean Tinguely's *Klammauk* "City tour"
Drive to the Kunstmuseum – Fasnachtsbrunnen – Solitude Park
approx. 12 noon
- Jean Tinguely's *Klammauk*
Drive through Solitude Park
approx. 2 p.m.
followed by an interview with Jean-Marc Gaillard, restorator at Museum Tinguely, driver of the *Klammauk*, and former assistant to Jean Tinguely
approx. 5 p.m.
- Jean Tinguely's *Klammauk*
Closing drive through Solitude Park
4 p.m.

(*Klammauk* can only be driven if there is no rain)

Michael Landy



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Michael Landy in front of his *Breaking News*, 2016

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- Artist tour: "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (English) with Michael Landy
1 p.m.
- Artist talk: Lecture by Michael Landy, followed by Q & A
3 p.m.

The EepyBird Mentos & Coke Experiment@Museum Tinguely



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The EepyBird Mentos & Coke Experiment
 Maker Faire, Detroit 2016
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Jean Tinguely, *Schwimmwasserplastik*, 1980, in Solitude Park
 Basel
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- *The EepyBird Mentos & Coke Experiment@Museum Tinguely*
 Solitude Park
 5:30 p.m.

Hands-on program 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

- HEI.DO Street Lab, build solar-powered drawing machines
- "Press the red button", mobile button action
- Outdoor and board games in Solitude Park and surroundings
- Peng-Art-Maschine, random drawings with Daniel Imboden
 12:30–1 p.m.
 2–3 p.m.
 4–5 p.m.

Tours

- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Andres Pardey,
 Deputy Director Museum Tinguely
 11 a.m.
- Insider tour: "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (German) with Lisa Ahlers
 Curatorial Assistant Museum Tinguely
 11:30 a.m.
- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Dominik Müller
 Former Curatorial Assistant Museum Tinguely / Author of the Tinguely biography
 "Jean Tinguely. Motor der Kunst", 2015, Christoph Merian Verlag
 12 noon
- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (English) with Sandra Reimann
 Curator at Museum Tinguely
 12:30 p.m.
- Artist tour: "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (English)
 with Michael Landy
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 Curatorial Assistant Museum Tinguely
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- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Annja Müller-Alsbach
 Curator Museum Tinguely
 2 p.m.

- Insider tour: "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (English), with Sandra Reimann
Curator at Museum Tinguely
2:30 p.m.
- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Margrit Hahnloser
Former Director Museum Tinguely
3:30 p.m.
- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Guido Magnaguagno
Former Director Museum Tinguely
4 p.m.
- Insider tour: "Michael Landy. Out of Order" (German) with Roland Wetzel
Director Museum Tinguely
4:30 p.m.
- Insider tour: "Jean Tinguely" (German) with Heinz Stahlhut
Former Curator Museum Tinguely
5 p.m.

Film program (in lecture room, 3rd floor [British: 2nd floor])

- *Maschinenspiele mit Jean Tinguely und seinen Konstruktionen* (1967), 42'
11:15 a.m.
- *Tinguely: A Kinetic Cosmos* (1980)
Director: François de Menil, 32'
12 noon
- Talk & Film: *Meta-Mecano. Die Entstehung des Museum Jean Tinguely* (1997)
Director: Rudolf Gerber, 64', with introduction by the director
12:45 p.m.
- *Jean Tinguely* (2003)
Director: Peter Wehrli, 52'
2 p.m.
- *Tinguely (Life and Work)* (2011)
Director: Thomas Thünema, 88'
4:30 p.m.

Culinary offerings

- Special Jean Tinguely picnic baskets to take to Solitude Park or the Rhine
- Barbecue with sausages and other specialties
- Special menus at Chez Jeannot

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Peng-Art-Maschine, Daniel Imboden

<http://www.dim-tech.ch/index.php>

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