# Exhibition Announcement: 'Tremulations', curated by Daniel Birnbaum and Jacqui Davies

Monday 27 March, 2023

### Tremulations

Curated by Daniel Birnbaum and Jacqui Davies

VIRTUAL REALITY WORKS:

APRIL: MARK LECKEY (WORLD PREMIERE); MAY: HILMA AF KLINT; JUNE: NATHALIE DJURBERG & HANS BERG (UK PREMIERE)

INSTALLED WORKS:

TONY COKES; MARCEL DUCHAMP; YAYOI KUSAMA; GRACE NDIRITU; MERET OPPENHEIM; EMANUEL SWEDENBORG; APICHATPONG WEERASETHAKUL; ITEMS FROM THE SWEDENBORG HOUSE COLLECTION

**TREMULATIONS**, an exhibition in three chapters at London's Swedenborg House, opens with the world premiere of Mark Leckey's first virtual reality work: **The Bridge**.

Emanuel Swedenborg's visionary universe is one of reflections and correspondences. Sacred scripture, he claimed, is a mirror in which we see God. At her request, he once introduced a young girl to an angel: leading her to a corner of his study, he drew back a curtain to reveal a mirror and the girl's own face. Swedenborg, the author of *On Tremulations* (1719), envisioned a cosmos in which everything, including seemingly solid objects, vibrates. 'In tremulations there are millions of variations', according to the ninth and final rule of his doctrine.

The exhibition *Tremulations*, curated by Daniel Birnbaum and Jacqui Davies, presents objects from the rich archives of Swedenborg House as well as writings and works of art by, among others, **Marcel Duchamp**, **Meret Oppenheim**, **Yayoi Kusama** and **Apichatpong Weerasethakul**. Structured according to Swedenborg's Nine Rules of Tremulation, the exhibition will be presented in chapters manifested in physical, temporal and virtual space at Swedenborg House. Each chapter will include a virtual reality work produced by **Acute Art**: *The Bridge* by **Mark Leckey** (April); *Hilma af Klint: The Temple* (May); and *It Will End in Stars* by **Nathalie Djurberg & Hans Berg** (June), plus three 'corresponding' works of projection. The first of these will be *Phantoms of Nabua*, by **Apichatpong Weerasethakul**, the second *My Blood Self: Civilizations 1* by **Grace Ndiritu** and the third *Testament A (MF FKA K-P X KE RIP)* by **Tony Cokes**.

The exhibition has been organised with the support of Acute Art, Bokförlaget Stolpe, Cabinet Gallery, Charles Asprey, Greene Naftali Gallery, Kate MacGarry Gallery, Parkett Art and Primitive Film.

#### ABOUT THE CURATORS

**DANIEL BIRNBAUM** is the artistic director of Acute Art, a laboratory for art and digital media in London. 2010-2018 he was the director of Moderna Museet in Stockholm. He is a contributing editor of Artforum. In 2009 he curated the Venice Biennale.

**JACQUI DAVIES** is a producer and curator working internationally at the intersection between art and film through her London-based production company, Primitive Film. Her film awards include: BFI Vision Award; BIFA Breakthrough Producer (*RAY & LIZ*); BAFTA-Nominated Producer (*RAY & LIZ*); ACE Producers Award.

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Thursday 30 March 2023, 3-5pm RSVP: info@swedenborg.org.uk

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Thursday 30 March 2023, 6-9pm RSVP: info@swedenborg.org.uk

## - GALLERY OPENING TIMES

Monday-Friday 10.30am-5pm

#### - EXHIBITION BOOKINGS

https://tremulations.eventbrite.co.uk

#### - VR VIEWING TIMES

MARK LECKEY: 3 April - 26 April HILMA AF KLINT: 2 May - 13 June NATHALIE DJURBERG & HANS BERG: June 15 - June 30

### - VR BOOKINGS

Variable dates, booking essential: https://markleckeythebridge.eventbrite.co.uk https://hilmaafklintthetemple.eventbrite.co.uk https://itwillendinstars.eventbrite.co.uk

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