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# The Image Generator for the first time in Sofia

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A conversation between Elena Panevska and Hristiyan Bakalov

In search of the collective imagination, on October 8 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., the underground spaces of the Municipal Cultural Institute "Krasno Selo" become a stage for visual art, performance and sound art. The creative exchange platform **The Image Generator is a site-specific happening and is an initiative of a group of artists and organizations from Antwerp, Belgium**, which is happening for the seventh year in a row. It is a meeting of artists from all over the world who explore the potential of interaction between visual art, sound art and performance, in direct exchange with audiences and spaces and in search of new creative perspectives for the human imagination through continuous dialogue and change.

The artist Kristiyan Bakalov told Radio Sofia more details. He shared that the **last two years of the edition he was invited to participate as one of the many artists, after which he decided to invite the organizers to hold the event in Bulgaria.**

"I managed to convince them to invest a lot of money in this adventure, they came and saw. Because I have been working with Ivelina Kyuchukova from the Cultural Institute in Krasno Selo for a long time, I immediately remembered that she has some wonderful bomb shelters, which were only warehouses and I said to myself it must be here," commented Bakalov.

**This Saturday, October 8, fifteen visual and performative artists** from France, Belgium, Slovenia, the Netherlands, Morocco, Germany, Denmark, China, the USA, Turkey and Bulgaria can be seen. They will meet and work together over the course of two weeks to present a seven-hour happening comprising site-specific installations, theatrical and vocal performances, multi-sensory sound environments, projections, contemporary dance, music, radio and immersive art. **The event is supported by the National Culture Fund and the Flemish Community in Belgium.** The entire program can be viewed at <https://image-generator.art/> .

Bakalov said that **the presentation of the Pure Family project is coming**, which will take place on November 24, 2022.

More details can be heard in the sound file.

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