



Cultural Archives

I Wunderkammer Engadin Chamber of Marvels Engadin

26th of July – 18th of October 2013 CHESA PLANTA, SAMEDAN, SWITZERLAND

Facade projections, photographs & multimedia installation in over 40 rooms celebrating 25 years of the Upper Engadine

26th of July 2014 DIOCESE ST. LAMBRECHT, STYRIA, AUSTRIA I.II Herbarienlichtspiel Herbarium Light Display

Projection on the monastery facade for a wedding







 $25 th\ of\ August-25 th\ of\ September\ 2013$ RIMESSA CASTELMUR, STAMPA COLTURA, BREGAGLIA, SWITZERLAND

II Streghe | Witches Multimedia installation in the coach house of the Castelmur



Photographs & multimedia installation on witches in the old court house of Vicosoprano

for the 4th Festival dell'Arte

Bregaglia



4th - 19th of October 2014 PALAZZO SALIS, SOGLIO, BREGAGLIA, SWITZERLAND

V Lüsc dal passà & la cena di nos veil Facade projections of herbaria, photographs of the landscapes of Bregaglia & multimedia installation on ancestors, with audio drama, during the 10th Bregaglia Chestnut Festival



8th of August – 19th of October 2014 ART DISPLAY CASE, CANTONAL BANK, ST. MORITZ, **SWITZERLAND** 

III Lichtrausch Engadin Feast of Light Engadin Multimedia installation on behalf of the yearly program of SeeAlpineMyths with original templates of painting of the 19th century



**18th of December 2014 – 1st of March 2015** HAUS SURTUOR 12 AND LA TUOR, SAMEDAN, **SWITZERLAND** 

VI crap e lain

Facade projections "Rock and Wood" on behalf of 100 years jubilee of Ramon Zangger-Rechsteiner Furniture Workshop



11th of September - 30th of November 2014 UPPER ENGADINE CULTURAL ARCHIVES, CHESA PLANTA, SAMEDAN, SWITZERLAND

IV L'Atelier da Squeder Multimedia installation on historical decorative paintings and templates



28th of December 2014 – 12th of April 2015 HOTEL MALOJA PALACE, MALOJA, BREGAGLIA,

### VII Lichtrausch Belle Epoque

Multimedia installation, historical ball night and exhibition of original decorative paintings and templates of the Belle Epoque, in collaboration with the Upper Engadine Cultural Archives and the 5th Festival dell'Arte Bregaglia

Dora Lardelli Born in 1953 in the valley of Bregaglia, grew up together with farmers and herders. Educated as art historian she loves discovering. Co-founder of the Upper Engadine Cul tural Archives, author of various publications on Belle Epoque, as well as the Bregaglia artists Segantini and Giacometti. Mark Blezinger Since his birth in Baden-Baden, Germany, in 1962 travelling in many cultural spaces and territories, he lives in Paris and creates as director and photographer multimedia installations produced with Béla Compagnie.

# Team

In every new project, we work with local companies, institutions, schools, and we involve local people as creative assistants and

# In collaboration with

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# Concept and production

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BRIDGE OVER RIVER INN, LA PUNT, ENGADIN, SWITZERLAND

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Facade projection and interactive installation of ice sculptures over the river Inn



RIMESSA CASTELMUR, STAMPA COLTURA, BREGAGLIA,

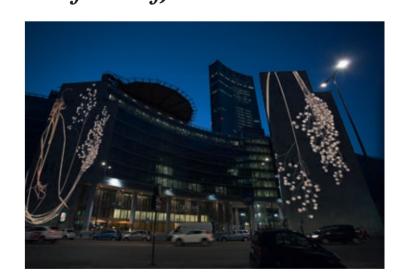
DORA LARDELLI & MARK BLEZINGER

26th of August – 27th of September 2015

VIII Il Mormorio della Maira

SWITZERLAND

# Projects off 2015



PALAZZO LOMBARDY, MILAN, ITALY Herbarium Alpinum Facade projections of herbaria, on the occasion of World **Exhibition EXPO 2015** 



VILLAGE OF ST. MORITZ, ENGADIN, SWITZERLAND

# Lichtrausch St. Moritz

Feast of Light St. Moritz Facade projections on themes like Belle Epoque, Ice, Herbaria, Butterflies, Sgraffittos...

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# MULTIMEDIA INSTALLATIONS OF MARK BLEZINGER

"Myths contain the world. Myths aren't historical inquiries and don't take care of facts; they don't give any explanation, nor do they represent anything. Like in a dream, myths put together things that, in reality, will never find together. Words, images, emotions, sense, paradox and nonsense meet in the same scene. Out of an original source springs a substance in which rational and unconscious elements mingle and wash round the small island, on which we find ourselves in daily life" eric sulzer

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# To retrieve hidden treasures

The treasures lie in the "Kulturarchiv Oberengadin", the Upper Engadine Cultural Archives in a manorial Engadin house in the center of the village of Samedan. Boxes full of letters, pictures and photographs, drawings and objects tell stories about the inhabitants of this high alpine valley, about their habits, their travelling and tales. These countless objects and documents have been retrieved out of cellars and attics, and even out of garbage. The Cultural Archives makes accessible to the public those findings, they are arranged in proper order, labelled and cataloged. Through this process they become a part of our present and object of research work. However, they recently serve as elements of artistic creations.

In the year 2012 the founders of the Upper Engadine Cultural Archives, namely sculptor Giuliano Pedretti and art historian Dora Lardelli, agreed on trying a new concept which had been developed by director and photographer Mark Blezinger: the well hidden treasures of alpine history, stored in the shelves of the Upper Engadine Cultural Archives, would be revitalized by applying modern methods like digital image editing. Thus, they would be transformed into precious artistic objects, such as photomontage, multimedia installations and façade projections. In summer 2013, the whole Chesa Planta in the village of Samedan was transformed into a Chamber of Marvels, and thus inaugurated the impressive and various process of showing history in unexpected light: so was born the project of SeeAlpineMyths.

Digital transformation and rearrangement allowed developing a quasi-alchemical process, through which objects can be reincorporated in their original mythological and psychic substance and structure, in this way leading to exciting esthetical discoveries. The process itself is not necessarily linked to specific historical legacies, or to specific architecture or locations of the Alps. Similar operations can be realized almost everywhere, without artistic limitation - from St. Moritz to Buenos Aires, from Milan to Moscow. Connected to the spirits of the past, SeeAlpineMyths is appointed to make invisible contents visible and, in this way, to discover new



FORUM PARACELSUS, ST. MORITZ-BAD, ENGADIN, **SWITZERLAND** 

# Raïna da l'Aua

Multimedia installation in the drinking hall of the antique mineral spring, built in Belle Epoque style

2016 - 2017

Beyond Peaks and Gorges Facade projection und multimedia installations on cultural history of the valley Engadin

Jenseits der Gipfel und Schluchten

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