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Dear all beautiful performance artists around the globe.

We hope you're doing well?!?

September 22, 2020 is the next Equinox Day and we would like to invite you to perform and contribute towards the **annual EQUINOX events**. We strongly believe in the power of networks and interconnections extending from our individual practices and connecting individuals and organisations, so the invitation is to consolidate our connections. We understand that your time is precious, this is why we propose that your event can take place anytime between 18 to 25 September, to suit peoples work/family/life situations.

We are sending this invitation directly to you instead of spreading it openly because we had some previous strange requests and contributions, linking it to other events etc, so we feel it was not in keeping with the original spirit of the event, the genuine intention to work together in a public space. So we have adapted a different approach and this is the reason you are receiving this email.

If you are available to contribute to this event it's important that you organize something for whatever date/time you choose to meet, that your event will be networked with this network only and not added to another already planned event, outside this network. We are trying to consolidate and strengthen our network, so it's best for the time being that we are all linked together and not diluted by other events, outside this network.

Please help organize a gathering/ open session / group performance in a public space, in your locale/city this will keep alive the idea for a Day of Public Actions for Freedom and Democracy. The Equinoxes (March and September) are two special times in the yearly calendar when across the world we all share the same light/darkness, the same lengths of day and night.

The event should happen in public space and involve other participants, so we are **promoting working together in the public space**. There should be at least two artists performing together for the duration of the event, so we are not promoting solo performances (just at this time) because the idea is about our connections, working together.

If you are interested to take part in this Equinox event, then the next stages in planning it are as follows:

Firstly, we need to know the people organizing the performance and **WHO** else will also be participating in the event, **WHEN** will take place, which date and local time and **WHERE**, what location in your city/town/country.

Please fill in the form below, including your name and the names of other artists taking part, your city/country, date and local time of performance, finally, if known, the place and when you will perform (if known but this is not necessary at this stage). We want to establish the level of interest thereby strengthening our connections.

Artist Names (including organisation name if known but not necessary)	City/Country	Performance Date	Performance Time	Performance Location (if known)

When we have compiled these completed lists, the table above, we will share all this information with the participating location organisers. This list will be compiled as per the solar day, so countries like New Zealand, etc will appear first ending in West Coast Canada.

We are delighted to initiate this event because we realise that we are part of something potentially much bigger and together we are taking the first steps in an inspirational journey.....

Please reply to this initial request by 15th September.

Please also check the current situation in your country and decide what's best!! Be responsible and don't put your own life and the lives of others at risk!

Documentation of the Event: If you have documentation (photo or small videos) please post them on facebook in the Equinox group (insert Equinox group link) or send it to us via Email / wetransfer!
If you have any questions please do not hesitate to come back to us anytime!

Thanks for your time and energy

Many big hugs in all directions
Marita, Thomas and Brian on behalf of PAersche and Bbeyond

Original idea:

Day of Public Action: for Freedom and Democracy / September Equinox

World wide performances by artists working together in public spaces to mark the September Equinox as a celebration for Freedom and Democracy.

As more and more countries are experiencing social unrest due to the rise of governmental cut backs on civil liberties, environmental issues, women's rights, migration, slavery, etc., every continent is experiencing some form of repression of civil liberties, be they individual, social, economic, political, religious, cultural or environmental, these rights are at the forefront to what makes us human and civil society.

We understand that Freedom comes with responsibility, not irresponsibility - the licence to do as one wants, but responsibility - because it comes from our 'ability' to 'respond', this is what makes us truly human.

In 2017, Chumpon Apisuk proposed a Day of Public Action as a follow on to *Same Difference: Equinox to Equinox*, (Sept 2016), which had 283 artists from across the world (45 locations in 29 countries) working together in public spaces.

It is the day that all states must recognise and allow actions from the people which are 'peaceful' and 'non-violent'. This day of action can be with or without context, but for the recognition of all people's rights to share the public space together, in solidarity with each other, in respect of each others rights to share the same public space, as well as the time."

In light of recent worldwide developments the importance of universal suffrage comes to the fore and to show our solidarity and support for these struggles worldwide.