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International Exhibition: **Strich & Faden - Heritage, Folklore and Travesty, Part II**

Exhibition duration: May 1 - June 20, 2009
Open Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, 3 - 7 pm, and by appointment.
Closing reception: June 20, 7 pm

Exhibition venue: Kunstraum Richard Sorge, Landsberger Allee 54, 10249 Berlin-Friedrichshain

The Berlin Strich & Faden exhibition project presents challenging travesties of craft and folklore and works that thematize Heimat (heritage), gender roles & identity in innovative or humorous ways.

Travesty (in the sense of deceit and role playing) is a device present in many works in this show, either as an artistic attitude, or as a subject matter. The participating artists use it to subvert both the traditions of Art & Crafts and our expectations of art.

This new edition of Strich und Faden presents representatives of the thriving US-american "subversive Arts & Crafts" scene - some of which are shown in Germany (or Europe) for the first time - and presents them alongside their (Eastern) European colleagues. Strich und Faden II goes beyond confrontational crafting, also incorporating conceptual and neo-traditional works on folklore, personal mythology and regionalism.

Participating artists:

Peeter Allik - EST
Walter Bruno Brix - DE
Ulrich Diezmann - DE
Rinaldo Hopf - DE
Severija Incirauskaite-Kriauneviciene - LT
Garth Johnson - US
Ai Kijima - US
Charles Krafft - US
Nava Lubelski - US
Natasza Niedziolka - DE
David Rios Ferreira - US
Johanna Schweizer - NL
Schalalala Strickzirkel - DE
Hunter Stabler - US
Sztuka Fabryka - BE
Tulip Enterprises - NL/DE
Georg Weise - DE



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