



ARCHIVAL PRACTICES AND VISUAL NARRATIVES

NATASHA CHRISTIA

From 27th August to 3rd September 2023

Mérigny, Indre (France)

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Workshop organized by **LABABUCH**

CONTENT

In this workshop, we are going to dedicate seven days in approaching, examining, comprehending and working on archival practices through different angles.

We are going to delve into the theory of archive – what an archive implies and what precisely its modes refer to – through the eyes of prominent thinkers such as Derrida, Hal Foster, Ariella Aïsha Azoulay and Aleida Assmann. We are going to depart from their theoretical formulations regarding the archive to detect different variations of use (images, texts, contemporary documentary, activism, and revisionist attitudes). We are going to study and question how the archive resurfaces in the work of specific visual artists beyond the world of photography, while drawing special emphasis on (photo) book visual narrative and cinematic narrative (the essay film). We are going to address a fascinating array of themes that will heighten our criticality not just towards our medium but towards the world.

Our aim will be to implement all these reflections on our ongoing projects and practices based on archives and archival modes, and consider their formalisation in different media such as the book or the installation.

Reading sessions, group tutorials, personal research, contributions in public, film screenings, and a series of guests will be part of our methodology.

This workshop is addressed to artists, photographers, archivists, filmmakers, historians of art, and any person engaging in the area of visual practice.

DATES

The workshop will be held in Méridy, Indre (France), from Sunday 27th August at 6pm to Sunday 3rd September at 12pm.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

The closest railway station is Châtelleraut (pick up can be arranged). Participants who wish can be accommodated at LaBabuch (single bed in a shared room). The workshop will be offered in English.

PARTICIPANTS

The number of participants is limited to 10 persons.

PRICE

1200€ includes tax, accommodation, breakfast, daily lunch and dinner.

INSCRIPTIONS

300€ paid upon the enrollment and the rest until 1st July.

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