## LICHTSPEKTAKEL \_ YELLOW FOG

Der Künstler Olafur Eliasson hat an der Fassade der Verbund-Zentrale auf dem Platz Am Hof mitten in der Wiener Altstadt eine atemberaubende Lichtinstallation geschaffen. Täglich in der Abenddämmerung überrascht diese "Intervention im öffentlichen Raum" mit atemberaubenden Lichtspielen.

Olafur Eliasson ist einer der renommiertesten Künstler der Gegenwart. Seine beeindruckende Arbeit Yellow Fog - erstmals 1998 in New York gezeigt - ist nun exklusiv und dauerhaft in Wien zu sehen – und zwar An der 48 Meter langen Fassade des Verbund-Gebäudes am historischen Platz Am Hof. Hier wird das Kunstwerk täglich während der Abenddämmerung für eine Stunde zu sehen sein.

Entlang der Gebäudefront ist dazu ein Gitter in den Gehsteig eingelassen, unter dem sich 32 Leuchtstoffröhren befinden. Sie tauchen den Nebel, der jach Einbruch der Abenddämmerung alle drei Minuten für jeweils 40 Sckunden an der Fassade hochsteigt, in gelbes Licht. Das Gebäude bekommt für eine Stunde in einen zauberhaften Schleier: Nebel, der sich ausbreitet – über den Gehsteig und zum Platz hin.

Olafur Eliasson wurde 1967 in Kopenhagen geboren, er lebt und arbeitet in Betlin und Kopenhagen. Er beschäftigt sich vor allem mit physikalischen Phanomenen, Licht, Spiegelungen, Wasser und Bewegung. Aufsehen erregte er unter anderem mit dem Projekt "Green River" (1998-2001), für das er Wasser mehrerer Flüssen färbte, sowie mit der spektakulären Eis-Verkleidung des 16. BMW Art Car.

Parallel zu Eliassons Intervention werden in der Vertikalen Galerie der Werbund-Zentrale Werke des Amerikaners Fred Sandback gezeigt, dessen ibtile Faden-Skulpturen Olafur Eliasson besonders schätzt.

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Art, for him, is a crucial means for turning thinking into doing in the world. Eliasson's works span sculpture, painting, photography, film, and installation. Not limited to the confines of public sphere through architectural projects, interventions in the museum and gallery, his practice engages the broader strives to make the concerns of art relevant to society at large.

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Eliasson was born in 1967. He grew up in Iceland and Denmark and studied from 1989 to 1995 at the Royal Danish

of time Arts. In 1995, he moved to Berlin and Studio Olafur Eliasson, which today comprises more members, administrators, including

SESC Belenzinho, and Pinacoteca do Estado de São Paulo – and spread out into the city itself. In 2014, Riverbed filled an Ject in Tale Injude in Section organised by SFMOMA Olafur Eliasson, a survey exhibition organised by SFMOMA in 2007, travelled until 2010 to various venues, including the in 2007, travelled until 2010 to various venues, including the includ entire wing of Denmark's ly, in 2011, Seu corpo da obra (Your body of work) engaged with three institutions around São Paulo – SESC Pompeia, blind pavilion. Later that year, he installed The weather pro interventions across Berlin as well as in the museum. Similar (Inner City Out), at Martin-Gropius-Bau in 2010, involved represented Denmark at the 50th Venice Biennale, tones and water, emulating a river in a rocky land-later that year, Contact formed the inaugural exhi-Tate Modern's Turbine Hall, London. Louisiana Museum of Modern Art Take your time

> sen-Bor Los Angeles, in March hibition hosted challer ong Museum, Shanghai, and The parliament of possibilities. ality projector opened at the Marciano Foundation n, Beijing. Olafur Eliasson: WASSERfarben opened ges of mass displacement nemisza Art Contemporary), offers a response to the by TBA21 in Vienna in 2016, the tliche Graphische The unspeakable openness of things at Red Brick Art di Venezia, in 2017 became the museum's most visited show by a 57th International Art Exhibition 2018, the same month as his solo ex Sammlung in the Pinakothek der and migration. project was part

Denmark, opened in 2011. Harpa Reykjavik Concert Hall and Conference Centre, 2011, for which Eliasson created the cular coloured-glass walkway atop ARoS Museum, Aarhus melting icebergs from Greenland to Copenhagen won the Mies van der Rohe Award 2013. Ice Watch brought Conference in 2015. Fjordenhus in Vejle, Denmark, the first waterfronts in 2008. Your rainbow panorama, and 2001. Green river was carried out in various cities between by the Public Art Fund, were installed along the together with architect Kjetil Thorsen for London's on Gardens. The New York City Waterfalls, commishas also produced numerous projects in public collaboration with Henning Larsen Architects Eliasson designed Serpentine Gallery Pavili-The New York City Waterfalls, commis-9

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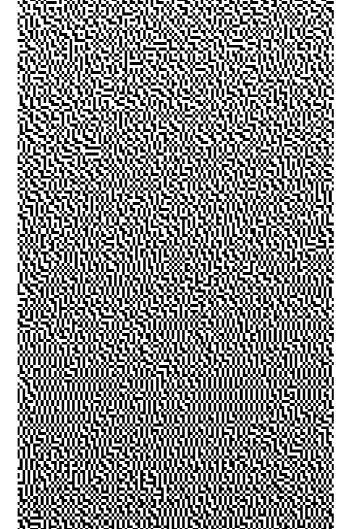
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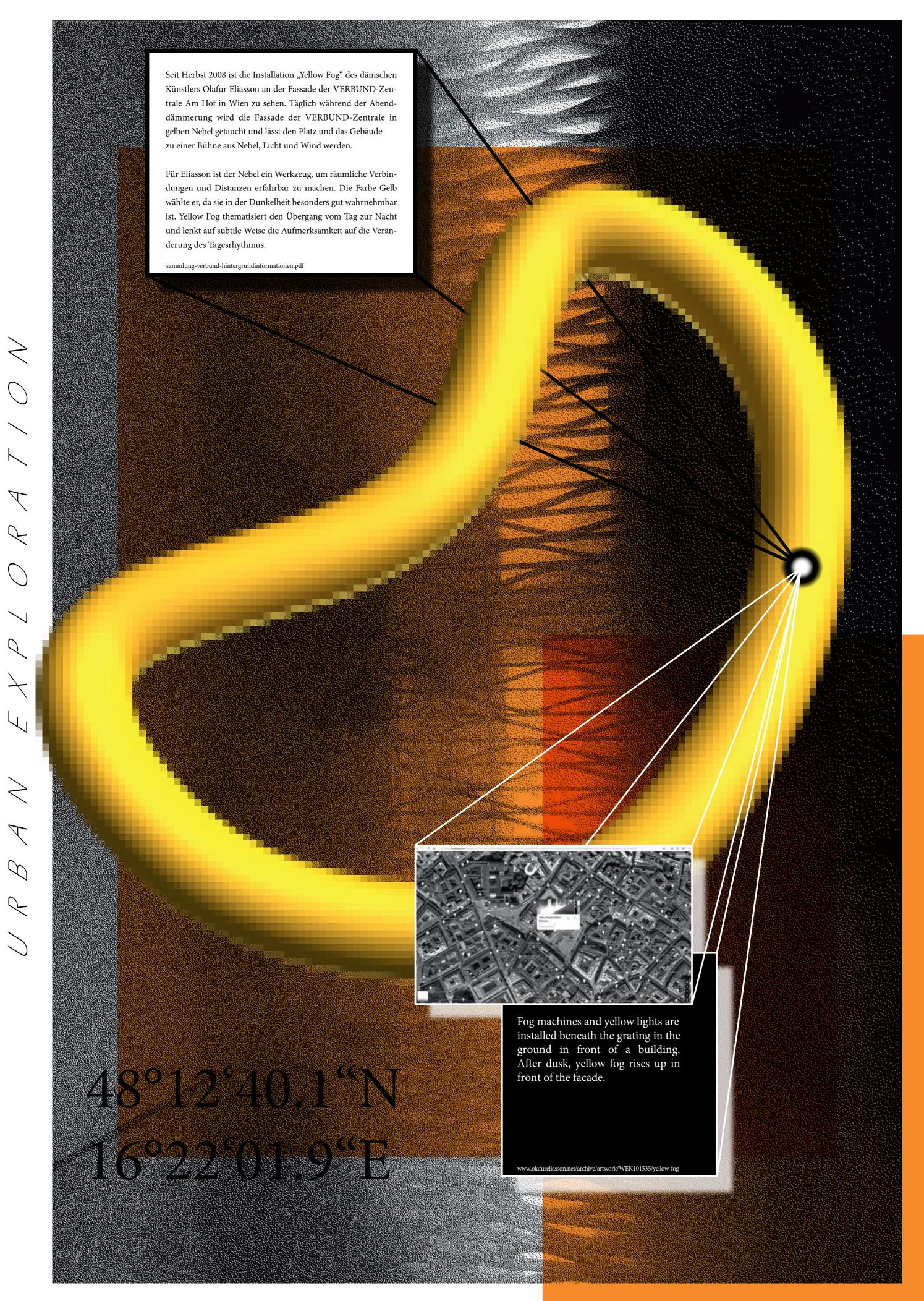
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Experiments; 2009–14), a five-year experimental programled the Institut für Raumexperimente (Institute for Spatial As a professor at the Berlin University of the Arts, Eliasson

In 2012, Eliasson and engineer Frederik Ottesen founded the social business Little Sun. This global project provides electricity, encourages sustainable development through Other Spaces, an international office for art and architec-Eliasson and architect Sebastian Behmann founded Studio energy and light. raises global awareness clean, affordable energy to communities without access to Sun solar-powered lamps

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