...to make art in response to the "With/Out ¿Borders?" conference at Kalamazoo College, September 25–28

In order to make a “live map” of this upcoming conference, Los Angeles-based artists, Ashley Hunt and Shagha Ariannia are seeking interested people to join in forming a group that works together, as an “Interpreters’ Guild.”

The Interpreters' Guild is intended to act as a team of students, community members, activists and organizers to “cover” each day of the With/Out ¿Borders? conference at the Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership, at Kalamazoo College, September 25–28, 2014.

We will work out the details of how we work as a group once we’ve formed, but the general idea will be to break ourselves up into small teams during each day of the conference so that we cover each and every conference event, then at the end of each day, report back to one another to process and “interpret” what we have encountered. In these daily conversations, we will decide together what themes, ideas, histories, forms, objects, sounds and images should go onto a collectively authored “map” of the conference that we build day by day. This map will then serve as a record of the conference, while, at the same time, it will function independently from the conference, as an art work and teaching tool that diagrams the terrains of justice and social movement that the With/Out ¿Borders? conference has brought into dialogue.

Whether you’re interested in this as an artist, as an activist, or a simple curiosity and an interest in working creatively with others, the point here is to bring together a diverse range of perspectives through which to process the conference’s many ideas. The resulting map will become a permanent artwork for the Arcus Center for Social Justice Leadership at Kalamazoo College, and it will hopefully grow the potential of the conference into the Kalamazoo community and beyond.

Interested parties should contact Ashley Hunt and Shagha Ariannia at the emails below (please include us both). What we'll need you to commit to is one or two conference calls or Skype meetings in the coming weeks, an initial meeting in person in Kalamazoo the week of September 22nd, and ideally an ability to participate in each of the conference days, including evenings.

We look forward to interpreting with you!!

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