

ladyfest 05

7-9.10.05



An invitation to women *of all identities!*

We think of ladyfest as an open platform for women of all identities to get organised against racism, sexism and heterosexism and to make different forms of oppression visible that are based on categories like race, class, education, ethnicity or sexuality.

There had already been a number of meetings to discuss rather practical issues whereas there is an urgent need to have a meeting to exclusively discuss political issues and feminist accounts on the ladyfest.

- What are each individual women's positions in the wide field of 'feminisms'?
 - What does it mean, when "some feminists can no longer talk to each other"?
 - How is political action possible without referring to one common identity?
 - Is "queer" in fact a feminist concept?
 - Does "queer" mean to allow a multitude of gender identities or its dissolution or neither? Or both at the same time?
 - Are economic circumstances been left out of sight?
 - What about existing gender hierarchies and relations of dominance?
 - And what does "transnational feminism" mean to us?
- When we almost break our heads thinking about these issues - and like doing so! - we inevitably come to the question for whom a ladyfest can/ should be open?
- What different concepts of a ladyfest there are? What do I want to do? How much time can I spend? What does "ladyfest" mean to myself?

We want to have fun, create open spaces, exchange our ideas and get to know different points of view! Everyone who likes to think about and to discuss those questions raised, collect ideas and turn them into reality is welcome to join us on our next meeting.

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