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## **Paul McCarthy visits Holland for his exhibition Air Pressure**

Utrecht – Last week the American artist Paul McCarthy visited the Botanical Gardens in De Uithof, Utrecht. He determined the location of the ten huge, inflatable sculptures which will be shown in this idyllic landscape from 4 July until 13 September.

The exhibition is titled Air Pressure and shows a part of McCarthy's oeuvre that has not previously been shown in the Netherlands.

Familiar themes from McCarthy's work (such as the Daddies Ketchup Bottle and Santa Butt Plug) are given shape in Air Pressure in the form of inflatable versions. McCarthy is also introducing a number of new sculptures inspired by everyday icons of the consumer society. The infatables vary in size from 4 to 24 metres, their colour and idiom forming a splendid contrast with the decor of the botanical gardens.

The Air Pressure exhibition is suitable for the whole family!

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The Air Pressure exhibition is a project by the  
Municipality of Utrecht and Utrecht University.

Air Pressure  
Dates: 4 July - 13 September 2009  
Opening hours: open daily from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.  
Location: Botanische Tuinen Utrecht (Fort Hoofddijk),  
Budapestlaan 17, Utrecht

Note for the press:  
On 2 July there will be a press conference in the  
Botanical Gardens. You can register for this by  
contacting Nienke van Beers via [n.van.beers@utrecht.nl](mailto:n.van.beers@utrecht.nl)  
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