

Air Pressure: Opening of Paul McCarthy exhibition in De Uithof

Utrecht – This week the finishing touches are being put to the installation of Air Pressure, the exhibition by Paul McCarthy in De Uithof. On 3 July the exhibition will be festively opened by the Mayor of Utrecht, Aleid Wolfson, and the Rector of the University of Utrecht, Hans Stoof. The exhibition will be open to the public daily from 4 July until 13 September.

For many years Paul McCarthy (Salt Lake City, 1945) has been an inspiration for young artists because of his controversial, anarchistic work. McCarthy's inflatable sculptures on show in Air Pressure are hugely blown up "anti-symbols" of the consumer society. The exhibition, a project by the municipality of Utrecht and the University of Utrecht, has already received a lot of publicity.

Because of the unique mixture of scenic beauty and art, Air Pressure lends itself excellently for a picnic or a day out with the whole family. For children between the ages of 8 and 12 an audio tour is available, downloadable for MP3 player or iPod via www.airpressure.nl. In addition to a programme of films in 't Hoogt and guided tours of the exhibition, architectural walks are being organised by De Uithof in association with Aorta architecture centre.

See www.airpressure.nl for the complete programme.

Press preview on 2 July

Time: 11.00–13.00

Location: the greenhouses of the Botanical Gardens, Budapestlaan 17, Utrecht

If you would like to attend please send a message to n.van.beers@utrecht.nl

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