

What does *care* mean today, and what role can it play in the arts and cultural field? What kind of structures and capacities are needed in times of global crises and growing social tensions to shape more sustainable and collective ways of living together?

In curatorial, photographic, artistic, and educational practices, *care* is increasingly understood as a relational, solidarity-building, and responsible approach. The symposium brings together artists, curators, researchers, and mediators to discuss and reflect on *care* as a participatory practice of learning from one another. Contributions by *Sascia Bailer, Dawoud Bey, Sarah Bockting, Peter Daners, Susanne Keichel, Lisa Klosterkötter, Cate Lartey, Fiona McGovern, Aslı Özdemir, André Raatzsch, Guinevere Ras, Roxana Rios, Mark Sealy, and Thomas Seelig* offer different perspectives on the topic from both theory and practice.

Organised by the current scholarship recipients, *Dortje Fink, Esra Klein, and Noa Lohrmann*, of the programme “*Museum Curators for Photography*” by Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach Foundation.

The symposium will be held in English and German. Free and open to the public. No registration required.

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Friday,	24.04.2026
15:45 – 16:00 Uhr	Coffee
16:00 – 16:15 Uhr	Welcome <i>Ingomar Lorch, Thomas Seelig</i>
16:15 – 16:30 Uhr	Introduction <i>Dortje Fink, Esra Klein, Noa Lohrmann (EN)</i>
16:30 – 17:45 Uhr	<u>Caring for Infrastructures (online)</u> <i>Keynote, Sascia Bailer (EN)</i>
18:00 – 19:30 Uhr	<u>Caring for Structures</u> <i>Mark Sealy and Guinevere Ras in conversation with Fiona McGovern (EN)</i>

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Saturday,	25.04.2026
10:00 – 10:15 Uhr	Coffee
10:15 – 10:30 Uhr	Introduction <i>Dortje Fink, Esra Klein, Noa Lohrmann (EN/DE)</i>
10:30 – 11:45 Uhr	<u>Caring for Photographs</u>
12:00 – 13:30 Uhr	<u>Caring for Artistic Practice</u> <i>Roxana Rios und Susanne Keichel im Gespräch mit Aslı Özdemir</i>
13:30 – 14:30 Uhr	Lunch Break
14:30 – 16:00 Uhr	<u>Caring for Community</u> <i>Dawoud Bey and Cate Lartey in conversation with Lisa Klosterkötter (EN)</i>
16:00 – 17:15 Uhr	<u>Caring for Mediation</u> <i>Einführung und Workshop zur Ausstellung L is for Look mit Sarah Bockting, Peter Daners und Thomas Seelig</i>
17:15 – 17:45 Uhr	Feedback and Farewell