



CALL FOR PROJETS

Residency program for Web art production
under the artistic direction of the independent curator Sylvie Parent

Topic : The Geographical Web or Geoweb

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: AUGUST 15, 2008

Throughout the year 2009, Agence TOPO will produce a body of Web works comprising geographic references. The selection of the works and their critical contextualization will be ensured by the guest curator Sylvie Parent.

Nowadays, the popularity of cartographic and earth visualization tools such as Google Maps and Google Earth has become an increasingly tangible component of how we experience the Web. Moreover, the use of geolocation systems, such as GPS, is spreading and increasingly present in the digital world. Artists are appropriating these technologies to create travelogues, to reflect on urban space, and to conceive collective psychogeography and locational media projects.

Artists interested in this theme, and by the production context offered by Agence TOPO are encouraged to submit their proposals. The projects could also include an "off screen" component, such as performance, installation, exhibition or mobile networks, that complements and expands the Web features and possibilities.

In order to respect the foreseen deadlines, projects currently under development and those demonstrating a strong commitment from the artists will be given priority. The selected artists and projects will benefit from technical support for a period of 4 to 8 weeks within a residency program that can be spread out over time depending on the artists' needs and specific project requirements.

The selected artists will have the following benefits:

- Production fees
- Access to a computer and audiovisual equipment
- Web design assistance (programming and multimedia integration)
- Organization of a launching event in Montréal (Fall 2009)
- Publication

Submissions / Due date: August 15, 2008

- Project proposal
- Description of technical needs
- Proposed work timetable (Spring – Summer 2009)
- Summary of artistic approach
- Press kit
- Curriculum vitae
- Visual/audiovisual documentation
- A stamped addressed envelope for the return of the documents

**We do not accept proposals sent by email
or only available through a website**

Sylvie Parent

Art Critic and Independent Curator

Sylvie Parent is a freelance curator and writer living in Montreal. Over the last ten years, she has been involved in numerous electronic publications. From 2002 to 2004, she was the French editor of *HorizonZero*, an online magazine published by the Banff New Media Institute. Before that, she was the chief editor of the *CIAC's Electronic Magazine* (1997-2001). Ms. Parent has written texts for many publications and contributed to websites such as *Archée*, *MobileGaze*, The Daniel Langlois Foundation for Art, Science and Technology, *ZeroOne San Jose/ISEA 2006*. She curated the Web art component of the *Biennale de Montréal 2000*. With Valérie Lamontagne, she co-curated *Location/Dislocation* for the New Museum of Contemporary Art in New York in 2001.

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Agence TOPO is an artist-run centre dedicated to the creation, dissemination and distribution of independent multimedia works. Founded in 1993 to encourage and promote photographic creation in all its forms of, TOPO now initiates, produces and supports Web art projects while acting as a promoter and distributor of independent art CD-ROMs, DVD-ROMs and video DVDs.

Send your projects to Agence TOPO

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