

Forum Art and the Economy

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Market Gallery / Ellie Harrison Show

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The Forum

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Francis McKee

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The Forum Event coincides with the launch of Ellie Harrison's show at Market Gallery's new space where she is exhibiting two installations including *The History of Financial Crises*, in which the turbulent history of capitalism over the last century is re-enacted each day by a row of popcorn making machines.

Exhibition runs 7th–28th November
Opening times Thursday–Sunday 11:00–17:00

Forum

09:30 Doors open

10:00 Forum Start

17:00 Forum End

— Bus to Market Gallery

RSVP to market@marketgallery.org.uk

Ellie Harrison – 'The History of Financial Crises'

19:00 Opening

19:30 Artist Talk

21:00 Gallery Closed

This year marks Market Gallery's 10th anniversary. Over the last decade Market has provided an artist-run, non-profit gallery that acts as a platform for artists at all stages in their careers. The showcasing of high quality, experimental and innovative contemporary art in the East End of Glasgow has consistently been advised by The Market Gallery's commitment to the support and the financial enabling of artists. Presently the future for Market and its ethos is uncertain due to challenges posed by the economy. However this is also a moment when we can use current conditions as a framework to develop a supportive community that is strengthened by adapting to the new parameters that are forming. Significantly, and perhaps uniquely, this is also a moment when we see that the disconcerting vision we have of our future is one that is widely shared.

This forum recognises and anticipates how the future will impact the arts and should be viewed as an occasion to debate and explore collective creativity by means of open and mutual conversation. Through interrogating community, solidarity and criticality new and exciting circumstances can form that benefit not only artists but also the wider community. Market has purposefully left the Forum title broad; as a title, Art and the Economy invites all those present for equal amounts of generosity and ownership for its material and value.

Market therefore thanks our panellists, our online forum contributors, and all those who attend the forum for their participation in the event and their participation in this critical discourse – critical discourse, indeed, at this critical moment. Finally, Market thanks all participants for supporting the work undertaken by Market and by initiatives like Market – initiatives that are all working to negotiate this difficult new territory whilst maintaining their artistic and ethical vision.

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Hi. My name is Chris Burden. My address is 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. I can't legally do this but let's imagine that I asked everybody who's listening tonight to send me money. Just, to send it directly to me. It would be such a small sacrifice for all of you and it could really do something for me. If you could just send money directly to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. Over the years I've done a number of things for you people out there in the public. I've done things for free. I've put ads on television. They all cost me money. And tonight I'm asking you to send me money. Send it directly to me. Can you imagine what a great thing this would be if it could happen. I can't legally ask you to do this but I can just ask you to imagine what would happen if it did happen—if everybody listening could just send me a dollar, or a quarter even. That's all I'm asking. A quarter from everybody. Can you imagine? This would be fantastic. If you could just send it directly to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California. If you could just send me money, directly, without any kind of in between. I'm not trying to sell you anything. I'm not part of a religious group. I'm just asking you to imagine the possibility of you sending me money, directly. My name is Chris Burden. The address is 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. If you can just think of maybe going right now and getting an envelope and writing my address on it. I'll repeat the address again. Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. Now, I know that some of you probably are more fortunate than others, and that it's very unlikely that everybody will be sending me money so maybe some of you can send more to make up for some of the people that aren't sending any. I'm just asking you to imagine the possibility, if this could really happen. If you could all just send something, it would be very fantastic, because it would be such a small sacrifice on your part and it could really make a difference to me. It could make me closer to being rich. So this is what I am doing tonight. I'm asking you to imagine the possibility of sending money directly to me. Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. Maybe you saw my full financial disclosure several years ago. My public one. I only made about a thousand dollars. I need money. So this would

be a fantastic thing if you could actually do this. I can't legally ask you to do this but I want you to imagine the possibility of it actually happening, of people everywhere, all over the country, sending me twenty-five cents. This would really make a big impact on my life and my lifestyle. And my address again is: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's what I'm asking you to imagine. The idea of you sending money, directly to me. I'm not selling anything. I'm not part of any organization. I'm not a charity. I'm just asking you to think of sending money directly to me. Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. This could really change the way I live, and it would be such a small sacrifice on your part. Just something that you could do without even feeling it. If enough of you did it, it would be a fantastic thing. It would really make a difference. So I'm asking you again to send money to: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's what I want you to do, or to imagine doing, is actually going right now, right now, and getting an envelope. I know that somewhere you must have some envelopes, stamps. I think you should do it now, while you're thinking about it. Don't wait. If you put it off it may never happen. So this is what I'm asking you to imagine, the possibility of everybody out there who's listening to me to send money directly to me. To: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's what I'm asking everybody who's listening to consider the possibility of sending me money. Directly. To: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. Now legally I can't ask you to do this or make you do it in any way, but I can only suggest the possibility that it happen. That everybody out there actually send something. Actually go and do it. Send me some money. To: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. This would be a great thing for me and it wouldn't cost you very much at all. You could hardly feel it. And yet if you all united you could all really make an impact. You could do something for me, directly. You could send the money to me at 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's Chris Burden. I'm asking you to send the money, directly to me, or to imagine sending it, rather. Directly to

me. My name is Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. I'm asking you to consider the possibility of actually putting a dollar bill, or maybe a ten dollar bill, in an envelope, wrapping it with paper so that it doesn't get stolen and sending it directly to me at my address. My name again: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. This is what I'm asking. Asking you to consider the possibility that if everyone contributed in some sort of small way, that I'd be almost rich. And if everybody across the country could do this, just send me a quarter, I'd be substantially wealthy. I think everybody in this country could afford a quarter. And I think you people ought to consider that this is something that could happen. You should imagine it as a possibility. This is what I want you to do. To think of, to consider sending money directly to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's right. For you people that are just tuning in, I'm asking you to consider the possibility of sending money directly to me. Because I want your money. Send it to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. I'm asking you to consider what a great thing this would be if everybody could just send something. I'd prefer dollar bills. They're a lot easier to handle but I will go, I would even consider just a quarter from everybody. I think anything less is not worth it considering the postage involved. So I'm just asking everybody to consider the possibility, the what if, if everybody out there could send me a quarter or more. Send it directly to me. To: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. I'm not part of any religious organization, any charity. I'm not affiliated with anyone except myself. I'm a private artist. Just a person. And I need money and I'm asking you to consider the possibility if you could just consider sending money, directly to me. That's to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. If you could just consider what a great thing it would be. And it would be such a small sacrifice on your part. Something smaller than a soft drink, than a candy bar, even. And you could not ever feel it, but cumulatively as a group you could really make a big impression on me. That's what I want you to do. For you people who are just sort of getting into this now, if you could

just consider doing it right now. It is a possibility, it is something to think about. If somehow everybody out there could be asked to think of sending me some money. If you could just send money to me: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291. That's what I'm asking. I'm asking you to consider the possibility of sending money to me. I don't have very much money, and I need more money. So if this could actually happen it would be a fantastic thing. If it could just be sent to me. If you could imagine sending me money. I'm not selling you anything and you wouldn't get anything out of it, except knowing that collectively you contributed to making one person rich. If you think about it, this can only happen if everybody sends something. It could only happen for one person unfortunately but it's better than not having it happen for anyone. It doesn't really affect you very much. If you just dig in and shell out something you wouldn't hardly feel it. If you could just imagine doing that. Now I know that some of you are maybe already thinking about this. It is a possibility. It is something to think about. That if it could actually happen. Of course it legally can't happen. I can't legally ask you to do this, but I'm suggesting the possibility. I'm suggesting that you think about it. As something that could happen in other places, other times. If you just think about sending me money as an actual thing that could happen. If everybody could send me just a quarter. Well, I'd wish, I'd hope that some people would send more, and considering their wealth that they would send me more to make up maybe for some people that wouldn't send any. But if everybody on the average could send about twenty-five cents this would be fantastic. It would really contribute to my wealth. My name again is Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, and I'm asking you to send me money. To think of sending me money, think of what a great thing it would be. If it could be sent directly to me. I'm not part of a religion or a charity, or, I'm not trying to sell anything. I'm just trying to bring up the possibility, the idea that everybody could send me some money. Just to consider this possibility. If you just could send it to me. To: Chris Burden, 823 Ocean Front Walk, Venice, California, 90291.