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LUNAR INTERVALS

I: Michele Graf & Selina Grüter
II: Tobias Spichtig with Therese Patzschke
III: Jibade-Khalil Huffman
IV: Aria Dean
V: Sahra Motalebi
VI: Irena Haiduk
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VIII: Lawrence Abu Hamdan

Swiss Institute announces a new performance and event program entitled *Lunar Intervals*. In the lead up to Swiss Institute's move to 38 St Marks Pl in the East Village in Spring 2018, each event takes place during a different phase of the lunar cycle, from the waxing crescent to the new moon, in a different location in New York City. Themes of the season are suggested by the lunar structure including cycles, songs and shifts between light and darkness. Each event will be followed by a 7-inch record.

The season began in October with *LUNAR INTERVAL I: WAXING CRESCENT* featuring *Contradance* by Michèle Graf and Selina Grüter. *Contradance* draws on the framework of contra dance traditions that organize a social dance using the form of A-B pairs. In a stripped back form, the mechanics of the choreographic operations are accentuated, as the dancers weave amongst one another, describing the architecture through sequences of movement. Each with varying degrees of formal training, dancers change partners and neighbors after each repetition, which guides them through space.

The next event, taking place during the *WAXING QUARTER,* will be *Der Neugierige in Manhattan* by Tobias Spichtig with Therese Patzschke at Mona's in Alphabet City on November 30. Spichtig will sing a number of searching songs ranging from Schubert to Dolly Parton that can be considered in the genre of the 'standard', with piano accompaniment by Patzchke.

October 20, 7PM
LUNAR INTERVAL I: WAXING CRESCENT
Michele Graf & Selina Grüter: *Contradance*
Emily Harvey Foundation

November 30, 7PM
LUNAR INTERVAL II: WAXING QUARTER
Tobias Spichtig with Therese Patzschke: *Der Neugierige in Manhattan*
Mona's, 224 Avenue B

Upcoming 2018

January: LUNAR INTERVAL III: WAXING GIBBOUS, Jibade-Khalil Huffman
March: LUNAR INTERVAL IV: FULL MOON, Aria Dean
April: LUNAR INTERVAL V: WANING GIBBOUS, Sahra Motalebi (Presented with 80WSE)
May: LUNAR INTERVAL VI: WANING QUARTER, Irena Haiduk
June: LUNAR INTERVAL VII: WANING CRESCENT, Madeline Hollander
July: LUNAR INTERVAL VIII: NEW MOON, Lawrence Abu Hamdan

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