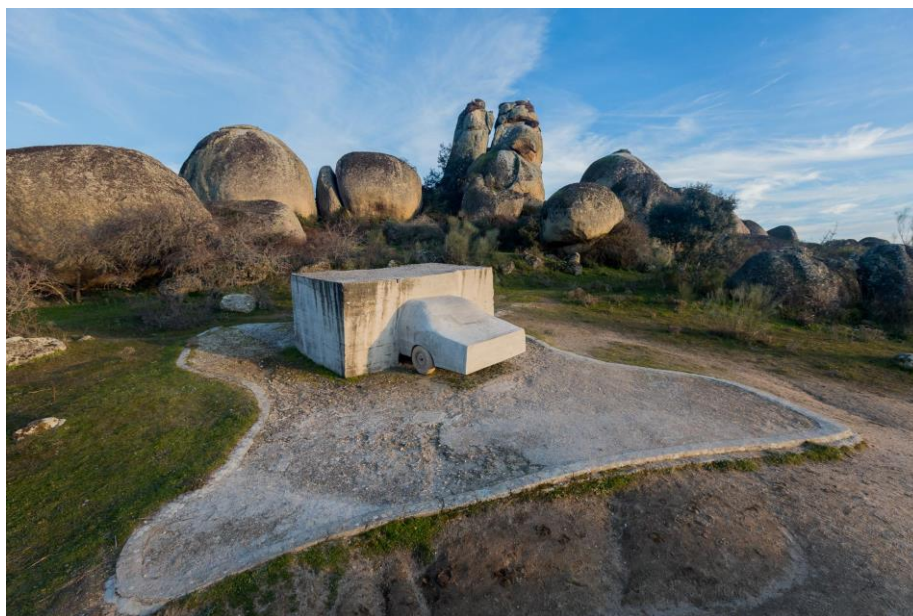


From ARCOMadrid to the Heart of Extremadura



Wolf Vostell - VOAEX (1976) Photo ©Armando Méndez

6 – 9 March 2025

Join us on an unforgettable journey through the vibrant art and cultural landscape of Spain – from the metropolis of Madrid to the vast expanses of Extremadura!

Together, we'll explore the international **ARCOMadrid art fair**, the medieval town of **Cáceres**—a **UNESCO World Heritage Site**—the **Helga de Alvear Contemporary Art Museum**, and the avant-garde collections of the **Museo Vostell Malpartida**.

This immersive experience in the spring of 2025 blends expert-led tours, networking opportunities, culinary delights, and comfortable accommodations, offering the perfect setting to connect with fellow art enthusiasts and deepen your appreciation of **contemporary sculpture** and **artistic innovation**.

Program overview*

Day 1 – Thu, 06/03



Meet & greet

The program begins at 18:00 in the hotel lobby. **Please book your arrival flight or train accordingly.** Meet and greet your travel companions to break the ice.

Immerse yourself in the world of contemporary art with an **exclusive visit to ARCOMadrid during its private opening day**, reserved for selected guests. ARCOMadrid, Spain's International Contemporary Art Fair, stands as one of the premier platforms in the global contemporary art market. Guided by an **expert in the field**, you'll enjoy an **intimate exploration** of remarkable sculptural works, gaining unique insights into their significance and the stories behind them.

First dinner together.

*The program may be subject to variations that do not depend on us and require changes in the order and selection of venues visited. Should this happen, you will be informed

Day 2 – Fri, 07/03



From Madrid to Cáceres

Bus trip in the direction of Cáceres

Delightful tapas lunch in the picturesque Plaza Mayor.

Guided tour of the medieval city of Cáceres. Cáceres is one of the **UNESCO World Heritage Cities in Spain**. The city, with the third largest monumental ensemble in Europe, with streets, squares, palaces and walls that are **particularly well preserved**, will transport you back to the Renaissance and the Middle Ages.



Guided tour of **Museo de Arte Contemporáneo Helga de Alvear**. This renowned contemporary art museum in Cáceres showcases an extraordinary collection of over 3,000 works by leading international artists, including Louise Bourgeois, Jenny Holzer, Richard Long, and Thomas Hirschhorn. Designed by the award-winning architect Emilio Tuñón, the museum is a striking example of modern architecture and a beacon for contemporary art, offering a fascinating contrast to the historic surroundings of Cáceres.

Dinner in the city centre

Image: Faux Rocks (2006) by Katharina Grosse. Photo: Anemone Vostell

Day 3 – Sat, 08/03



Museo Vostell Malpartida

Guided tour of the **Museo Vostell Malpartida**. The Museo Vostell Malpartida, located near Cáceres in Malpartida de Cáceres, is a unique museum dedicated to Fluxus art, founded by German painter, sculptor, Fluxus- and Happening artist Wolf Vostell in 1976. Set within a natural park and a historic wool-washing site, it combines avant-garde art with a striking landscape, showcasing works that challenge traditional artistic boundaries.

Discover MK Kaehne's thought-provoking exhibition **"Bar De Luxe – The Reversal of the Readymade of conceptual art"**, inspired by the museum's renowned Fluxus collection (Donation Gino di Maggio). This exhibition features a captivating selection of sculptures, objects, and photographs that challenge traditional notions of art.

Drawing influences from Russian Constructivism and Moscow Conceptualism, Kaehne explores the tension between art and functionality. By reimagining everyday objects with luxurious designs and full functionality, the artist transforms them into industrial-like art pieces that defy practical use, sparking questions about the role of art in contemporary society.

As part of this unique experience, you will have the opportunity to **meet the artist MK Kaehne** and gain deeper insights into the ideas and processes behind the work.





Explore **Los Barruecos Natural Monument**, a stunning natural landscape, home to two iconic sculptures integrated into the granite rock formations: V.O.A.E.X. (Concrete Journey through Upper Extremadura), a concrete-encased Opel Admiral created by Vostell in 1976, and El Muerto que tiene Sed (The Dead Who Is Thirsty) (1978).

Networking-Lunch together with the Circle of Friends of the Museo Vostell Malpartida: a perfect occasion for connection and conversation.



Tour of **Palacio de Topete**, former studio and residence of the German artist Wolf Vostell, an 18th-century manor house restored by Wolf and Mercedes Vostell in 1977. This space hosted the Week of Contemporary Art in 1978, one of Extremadura's first contemporary art exhibitions. The village of Malpartida became their second home, symbolizing their lifelong connection to the area.

Last dinner together.

Palacio Topete in Malpartida de Cáceres

Images: Wolf Vostell, El muerto que tiene sed, 1977.

Day 4 – Sun, 09/03

End of program

Bus back to Madrid fair. Arrival time ca.13:30. In ca. 15 minutes with the metro, you can reach the city centre or the airport. **Please book your return flight or train accordingly.**

Our Tour Guide



Anemone Vostell

Anemone Vostell, Sculpture Network Coordinator and curator of *BAR DELUXE*, has a deep personal connection with the Museo Vostell Malpartida and over 25 years of experience in the international art world. As a gallery partner, independent curator, and cultural manager, she has spearheaded numerous projects in Germany and abroad, including leading the Berlin Galleries Association and launching initiatives like Art From Berlin presentations, art tours, and artist residencies. In 2020, she founded BAM! Berlin Art Management, specialised in art projects and consulting.

Her close relationship with artist MK Kaehne and her deep ties to the Fluxus movement inspired her to bring Kaehne's work to the Museo Vostell Malpartida. Kaehne's Lithuanian heritage and artistic journey between Moscow and Berlin offer a compelling dialogue with the museum's Fluxus pieces, especially those from the Donación di Maggio Collection.

Logistics – Registration – Prices

Date: 6 – 9 March 2025

Hotels: NOVOTEL Madrid Campo de las Naciones, 4*, Madrid
Gran Hotel Don Manuel, 4* Cáceres

Travel: Please note the trip begins and ends in **Madrid**. The journey to and from Madrid must be organized by the participant and is not included in the price. The program begins Thursday 6th March at 18:00 in the hotel lobby and ends Sunday 9th March at the Madrid fair at ca.13:30. Please book your flights/trains accordingly.

Prices: Normal price:,850,00 €
Special price for sculpture network Members: 680,00 €
Single room surcharge for 3 nights: 181,00 €

We offer early bird rates for bookings until 22/12/2024

Early bird Normal price:770,00 €

Special early bird price for sculpture network Members: 600,00 €

Min. number of participants: 18.

Services included in prices:

- Travel group of max. 25 people from different countries, a nice mix of artists, curators and friends of the arts - guarantees exclusiveness
- 3 nights in 4-star hotels in a double room, including breakfast (Single room surcharge for 3 nights 181,00 €)
- 2 lunches (Fri and Sat) and 3 dinners (Thu, Fri and Sat)
- Museums and art fair entrance tickets and guided tours
- Bus trip in comfortable modern coach
- Tour guides in English
- Tour assistance in English and German

Registration: Deadline for registration: 27/02/2025 (if not fully booked before)
Please register online: [REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Cancellation policy: Cancellation after 23/01/2025 leads to the withholding of 30% of the participation fee. Cancellation after 27/02/2025 results in the loss of your complete payment. We suggest arranging travel insurance for your trip.

Min. number of participants is 18 people. If the minimum number of participants is not reached by 22/12/2024, the organizer can cancel the trip and completely refund the fee.

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