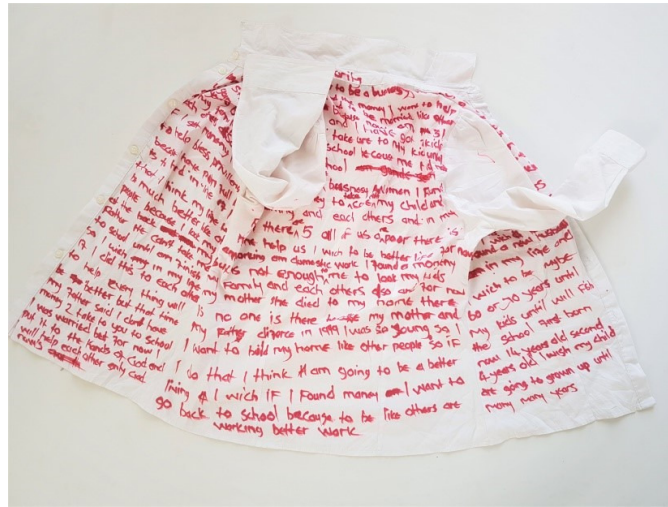


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An international Art Project

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WHY A PROJECT *WOMEN IN THE DARK*?

Many women are experiencing different kind of violence and discrimination. It is often hard to talk about experiences and burdens. Frequently, women tell no one about it, will not be heard and feel alone.

WOMEN IN THE DARK gives women the opportunity to write their thoughts, feelings, desires and hopes with a red permanent marker on white blouses and thus become public.

WOMEN IN THE DARK was initiated in July 2016 by Franziska Greber and has already been launched in five countries: Zimbabwe, Seychelles, Mauritius, China, India - and now also in Switzerland.

HOW DOES *WOMEN IN THE DARK* WORK?

Organizations, associations, interested groups or professionals who are in contact with women, offer thematic workshops or events, or deliver white shirts directly, so that they can be written on. If necessary, women can be advised or forwarded to professional bodies.

Every woman uses the shirt in her personal way. The front and back, sleeves, collar and cuffs can be written on. There are no guidelines – neither content nor the amount of the text. If possible, the writing of the women is documented by the organization, professional or the women themselves.

WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE WRITTEN SHIRTS?

The written shirts, texts and photos are collected and made accessible by Franziska Greber as part of an exhibition with an art installation. Worries, desires and hopes of women are thereby visible and experienceable.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN *WOMEN IN THE DARK*?

Organizations, associations, interested groups, experts and interested women can request white shirts from the contact person or from the project-representative. Written shirts are either handed out to the contact person or sent directly to the artist. Photos or films please send by email.

All rights are owned by Franziska Greber (blouses, texts, photos and films).

WHERE WAS *WOMEN IN THE DARK* ALREADY SHOWN?

In autumn of 2016, an exhibition of shirts, texts and photos took place in Beijing, China and in June 2017 a performance. In November 2017, an exhibition will be held in Calcutta, India. Further exhibitions are planned.

WHO SUPPORTS *WOMEN IN THE DARK*?

WOMEN IN THE DARK is, among others, supported by UN Women China, the Swiss Embassy of China, the Swiss Conference against Domestic Violence / Conférence Suisse contre la Violence Domestique (SKHG / CSVD), the Ministry of Gender Equality Mauritius and various human and women rights organizations.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

About *WOMEN IN THE DARK*, the artist as well as photos from the participating countries, exhibitions and media reports can be found at:
www.womeninthedark.org

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