## rise UP Cultural projects for social change



## The Artists

## Deborah Di Meglio and Kati Luzie Stüdemann



The artists **Deborah Di Meglio** and **Kati Luzie Stüdemann** have been working together as a cross-over artistic team for several years. Fine Art combines with Performance Art to become a visual audio, and multimedia experience. Every project has at its contextual roots in the ideas of encounter and empowerment. Using art, the projects create an open platform where different social classes, cultures, generations, life models and views of life meet creating the adjacent possible. New doors open up and ways of thinking are transformed.

The work is always process orientated and performative in nature. The conceptual themes are first "worked on" using the visual arts. The artistic process offers a non-liner approach in which the mind/body/emotion "problem" opens itself up to solutions otherwise unthinkable.

Art works with emotions and emotions are generated through artistic processes. I save something I experience emotionally different from something I experience purely intellectually.

Art can change individuals and that is the start for Social Change. In their projects, the artists have an approach that offers an open, neutral space where *encounter* is seen as and used to activate the creative potentiality of each member. Their approach concentrates on the questions instead of struggling to find the answers.

Because of their own multicultural backgrounds, the artists themselves bring an intercultural competence to their work. They have been working together since 2008 and have woven several successful and award winning projects together.

- Project Documentation:
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGv3qq9KQKc
- www.kielcreartiv.de
- http://vimeo.com/search?q=kielcreartiv
- www.facebook.

