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Blackness in Translation

This lecture will offer reflections on my experiences to curate exhibitions and events in two European Countries and the United States that centered Black artists. Whilst Black artists exist all over the Black Diaspora the discourses connected to the violent histories of chattel slavery and colonization are often contested depending on the context of presentation. I will discuss these complications, errors as well as possibilities that open when centering Blackness in exhibition making and share the intricate relationship between Black Studies Scholarship and curatorial practice.

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