

# BUNDESKUNSTHALLE

Invitation to a Media Conference  
Thursday, 5 March 2015, 11 a.m.

## **PETRIT HALILAJ** **She, fully turning around, became terrestrial** 6 March – 18 October 2015

Petrit Halilaj (b. 1986) is an artist whose work is concerned with tracing history and biography. The artist quotes images from his personal recollections and draws on them in his work, translating them into the changed reality of the present day and, with it, into a new context and a new 'guise' – which often involves considerable magnification. Halilaj pursues this investigation of the past not just on his own behalf. In many of his installations he reviews and dramatises his own biography that has been profoundly marked by the Kosovo War (1998–1999), turning it into an universal example for the quest for identity, for keeping memory alive and for a closer examination of the idea of home – especially in the ever-recurring story of its loss. To visualise this sustained engagement, the artist tends to use simple materials such as earth, straw, wood, concrete, stones or the rubble of his destroyed family home. But he also incorporates archival material he has managed to find, for example records from the destroyed Natural History Museum in Pristina, Kosovo.

We cordially invite you to a media conference in the exhibition on Thursday, 5 March at 11 a.m. The exhibition opens at 10 a.m.

Participants:

- Rein Wolfs, Curator of the exhibition and Director of the Bundeskunsthalle
- Susanne Kleine, Exhibition Manager
- Sven Bergmann, Press Officer of the Bundeskunsthalle

The artist is present.

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We look forward to seeing you.

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