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MARIA LUCREZIA SCHIAVARELLI NUTRICE

SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2014 6:30 PM ATELIERHOF KREUZBERG SCHLEIERMACHERSTRASSE 31-37 BERLIN (DE)

SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER 2014 6:30 PM VILLA CONTEMPORANEA VIA BERGAMO 20

Villa Contemporanea is pleased to announce its first project abroad.

In Berlin, at Atelierhof Kreuzberg, the gallery will present a preview of the solo exhibition by **Maria Lucrezia Schiavarelli**.

A double exhibition, in Berlin and in Monza, to present the new work realized in Germany by the Italian artist.

The project "Nutrice" started from the impulse to evoke, by means of a ritual gesture, the ties and the connections that unite man and nature through culture and food.

Cycles, as defined by the natural succession of the days in the week, regulate life from time immemorial, just like the movement of the planets in the sky and the time of sowing and harvesting in agriculture.

The correspondence of natural cycles and energies was reflected in the micro and macrocosm, generating a whole wealth of knowledge where every aspect of the universe was taken into account, a knowledge designed to mix, combine and join, of which only distant echoes remain in our contemporary culture.

The installation presented in this exhibition is inspired by Steiner's anthroposophy and it gives shape to that tradition that was able to feel the harmonious cohesion between the grains, the days of the week and the planets. The seven most important seeds for human nutrition are bound together through the slow gesture of sewing, a symbol referring not only to astronomy as well as astrology, but also to Roman myths and to several folk traditions - which still persist in some areas in the South - to mark a sequence of drapes representing the fundamental principle of natural cycles that has regulated human development since its beginning.

A publication with the contribution of critic **Massimo Marchetti** (both in Italian and in English) will also be available, showing photos of the Berlin's installation.

Berlin's exhibition will be open from 13th to 19th September, 2014.

Inauguration: Saturday 13th September from 6.30 p.m.

Monza's exhibition will be open from 4th October to 20th December 2014.

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Maria Lucrezia Schiavarelli (Italy, 1979) lives and works in Berlin.

She exhibited in solo and group exhibitions in Italy and abroad, in 2011, she took part in the Prague Biennial. She realized several site-specific projects for public places or institutions such as the former prison "Le Nuove" in Turin or the Policlinic of Modena. In 2011, she produced a specific project for the Museum of Palazzo dei Pio in Carpi.