

PLACES WHERE THE WORLD BREAKS AWAY. LET'S GO TO GIURGIU!

A project by Kamen Stoyanov

This three-part exhibition project took place in three different locations:

Performance at the Sofia Art Gallery,
October 5th, 2007

Exhibition at the Canetti House in Ruse,
October 9th to November 1st, 2007

Exhibition at the "Vaska Emanouilova"
Gallery in Sofia, November 8th, 2007, to
January 9th, 2008

On January 2nd, 2007, on the occasion of both Bulgaria and Romania joining the European Union, the mayor of Ruse organized a free trip for all interested citizens to the Romanian town of Giurgiu which is situated just opposite of Ruse on the Danube bank. Kamen Stoyanov's movie documentation of this event is the core part of exhibition.



Participating in this historic moment for Bulgaria, Stoyanov took a snapshot in time of a common citizen crossing the border to Romania for the first time with his unique hopes and expectations. Stoyanov also collected private photographs from participants which were presented in the aforementioned exhibitions in Ruse and Sofia later on.

Four more videos of Stoyanov's dealing with strange, coincidental or unexpected every day life events in Rome, Bucharest, Paris and Berlin.

Kamen Stoyanov was born in Ruse, Bulgaria, in 1977. He studied at the National Academy of Fine Arts in Sofia and at the Akademie der Bildenden Künste in Vienna. He is currently working as a research associate at the University for Applied Arts in Vienna. His works which he has been awarded for a number of prizes can be visited at the Museum Moderner Kunst (MuMoK) in Vienna as well as in private collections.