

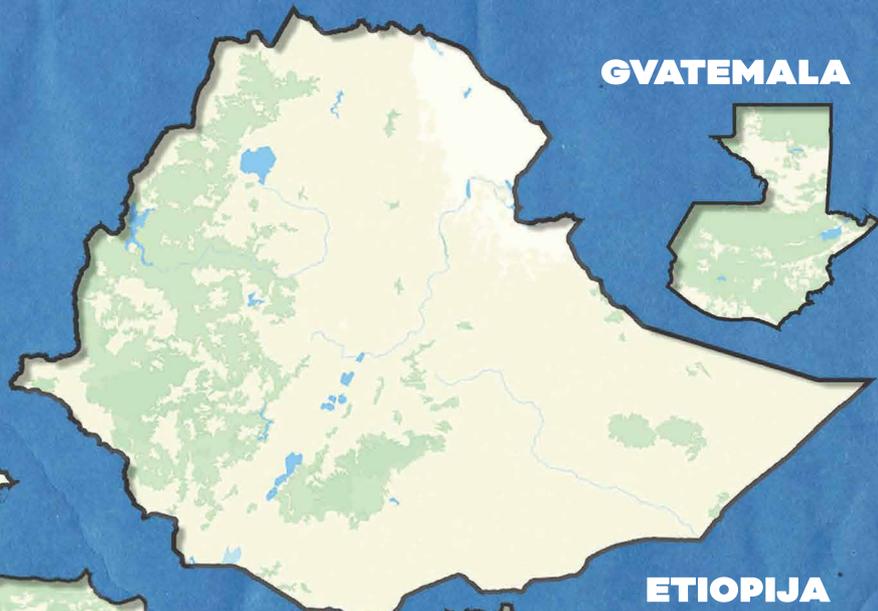


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Art from a Suitcase

MMC KIBLA/KiBela: 23. 1.–14. 3. 2026

artKIT: 23. 1.–7. 3. 2026

The exhibition *Art from a Suitcase* opens on **Friday, 23 January 2026, at 6 p.m. at the artKIT exhibition space**, followed by opening at **7 p.m. at MMC KIBLA and at the KiBela, space for art.**

The exhibition features contemporary practices by artists who live in or originate from countries of the Global South, and whose works, for the most part, can fit into a suitcase. The invited artists brought their works as luggage, later unpacking their suitcases and handing the works over for exhibition. Many of these artists are being presented in Europe for the first time.

The project is curated by **Goran Tomčić** and **Jerica Zihelr** and features works by **Kirubel Melke (Ethiopia)**, **Dariwos Hailemichael (Ethiopia)**, **Mewded Dagnachew (Ethiopia)**, **Tewodros Bekele (Ethiopia)**, **Birhanu Manaye (Ethiopia)**, **Abel Beyene Disasa (Ethiopia)**, **Mahilet Afework (Ethiopia)**, **Dawit Tamrat (Ethiopia)**, **Zelalem Merga (Ethiopia)**, **Michael Tsegaye (Ethiopia)**, **Dereje Shiferaw (Ethiopia)**, **Cecilia Lamptey-Botchway (Ghana/USA)**, **Engdaget Legesse Amede (Ethiopia/Germany)**, **Henok Getachew (Ethiopia/Germany)**, **Frederick Bamfo (Ghana)**, **Patrick Tagoe-Turkson (Ghana)**, **Quique Lee (Guatemala)**, **Hale Ekinci (Turkey/USA)**, **Emmanuel Boateng (Ghana/United Kingdom)**, and **Klaus Mertens (Germany)**.

The exhibition *Art from a Suitcase* highlights how recognizable the art world has become today in its global expression, and how the local specificities of distant countries are increasingly present and accessible across the contemporary world, despite its continued division into the “*Global South*” and the “*Global North*”. This division reflects an imperial mindset and exposes the colonial practices of the “*Collective West*”.

The project was developed in collaboration with the **Lapidarium Museum** in Novigrad, Istria, Croatia.

MMC **KIBLA** / Prostor za umetnost **KIBELA**, Ulica kneza Koclja 9, Maribor
Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

art**KIT**, Glavni trg 14, Maribor

Opening hours: Tuesday to Friday from 3 to 7 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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