# **Birgit Kleber**Woman



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The Haus am Kleistpark | Projektraum is proud to present WOMAN by Berlin-based photographer Birgit Kleber. Addressing the woman's role as independent subject, the series MODERN QUEENS (2019) and WOMEN IN HOTELS (1989 – 1992) are on display, juxtaposed one against the other.

Birgit Kleber is known for her impressive portraits that reflect her models' personality and determination. In her series MODERN QUEENS (2019), the artist has portrayed young women, all born around 1990, who buck common ideals of beauty, trends, or social norms and express themselves instead through tattoos, piercings, and prominent eyebrows, all of which stand for strength and inner freedom. The red background against which they are depicted potentiates the expression of power they emanate.

With her series WOMEN IN HOTELS (1989 - 1992) already Birgit Kleber had sought the point of resistance against the photographic situation in order to release the women depicted from their role as objects. This is the feminist signature of her work and the one which MODERN QUEENS continues.

The artist herself had the following to say about her work in her Brenn-punkt-Interview with Barbara Esch Marowski: "My portraits are images of encounters. A single photograph is just one of many potential photographs. I am interested in pictures that trigger an emotion. And I attempt to create pictures you won't forget. That will stay in your head."

Birgit Kleber lives and works as a freelance photographer in Berlin. She has made a name for herself through the publication of her work across various well-known media, the realisation of several photobooks, and numerous exhibitions. Her work is featured in many prestigious collections.

### **Exhibition dates**

29.10. - 12.12.2021

## Opening day

Friday 29 October 2021 11-20 h The artist will be present from 3 pm.

Information on events in the accompanying programme as well as the current requirements for a visit can be found on our website.

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© Birgit Kleber, from the series WOMEN IN THE HOTEL, #1, 1989, 104×104 cm, gelatine print, Vintage



© Birgit Kleber, from the series WOMEN IN THE HOTEL, #35, 1989, 104×104 cm, gelatine print, Vintage



© Birgit Kleber, from the series MODERN QUEENS, Clara, 2019, 90×60 cm, Archival Pigment Print



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