

the unlike guide to

berlin

Gomma Records, Monaco

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Munk



Munk

Kick out the chairs, motherfuckers!

About Munk:

Mathias Modica a.k.a. Munk has been releasing his own music as well as records by other artists such as WhoMadeWho, Box Codax (the solo project of Nick MacCarthy of Franz Ferdinand) and Headman on his little label Gomma for several years.

The label (according to NME: “Gomma is like a German DFA!”) is part of a new scene of freestyle labels that connect music with alternative art and underground fashion, such as Ed Banger records, Tigersushi and Kitsune in Paris, DFA in New York and Eskimo in Belgium.

The DJ Style of the Munk boys has been described as the new "post minimal" sound. It's a mix of new German and French house records, Italian Cosmic stuff and old, rare leftfield disco records. It's hard, futuristic disco.

Scala

Scandalous nights



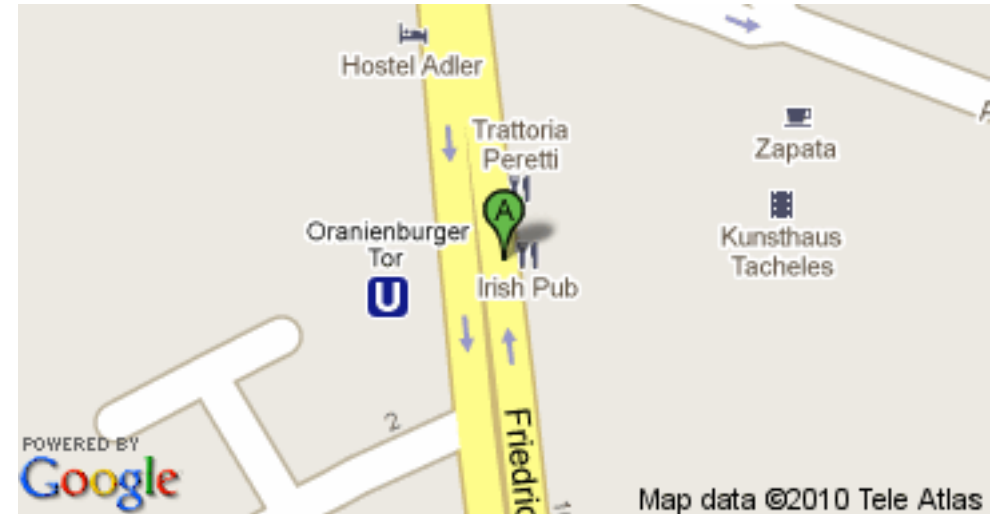
Note: this location is closed as of 23 May 2009.

The Mitte district's Scala lays claim as one of the most hot-at-the-moment clubs in town, thanks to the fashionistas and thick-framed folk who favor the joint and guest DJs newly anointed by the Ed Banger label. Live bands and regular spinners like the loud Sick Sick Girls don't hurt the club's reputation either.

The venue's multi-level dance floors—three, in total—make the club appear more limited than it actually is: the main floor's large black box full of thrashing bodies belie the two more intimate areas upstairs. While notoriously devoid of fresh air, Scala invites numerous climbing through spaces to hunt down the party.

Hint: You'll find a secret chill out room, hidden behind two black velvet curtains...

Club | Mitte



“Different day, different place. Have a beer with teenagers from Tokyo. The intimate atmosphere of this former cinema is what me really turns on.”

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W. www.myspace.com/...

Transport:
[U6] at Oranienburger Tor

after-hours
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Alpenstück

A slice of the Alps, please



Berlin's newest Alps-inspired restaurant serves marvelous South German/Austrian cuisine. Roughly translated, Alpenstück means, "A slice of the Alps." The restaurant's minimalist interior gives it a feel reminiscent of an art installation.

While much of the fare caters to traditional tastes, Alpenstueck's schnitzels are not necessarily of typical Viennese standards. Draped on top of an amazing potato salad and delicious slices of cucumber, the heavy Schwabenschnitzel delivers a bit of a healthy crunch, making it a unique take on the old favorite.

Food | Mitte

Daily, 18:00 1:00



"Guess what's better—original schnitzel or costoletta alla milanese? I tried the Alpine one and it went down meraviglioso."

Alpenstück
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Transport:
[S2][S25] at Nordbahnhof

**German
design
Austrian
schnitzel**

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Waldman

Platten Pedro

A living legend



Un hombre se llama Pedro ... with over 100.000 goodies in his shelves. The choice is almost overwhelming: a crosswalk through all styles and genres invites to stay for 25hrs or more ...

bzw: Pedros not just a collector, but also a dedicated writer: "Det war in Charlottenburg-Pedros Groove"- a nice reason to learn German.

Shop | Mitte



"Un gran dia en el barrio. I found some deep Cuban mambo tunes here recorded in 1968. Reminds me of the film La Muerte de un Burcrata—it's definitely time to come up with original Latin spice again."

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[U7] at Mierendorffplatz

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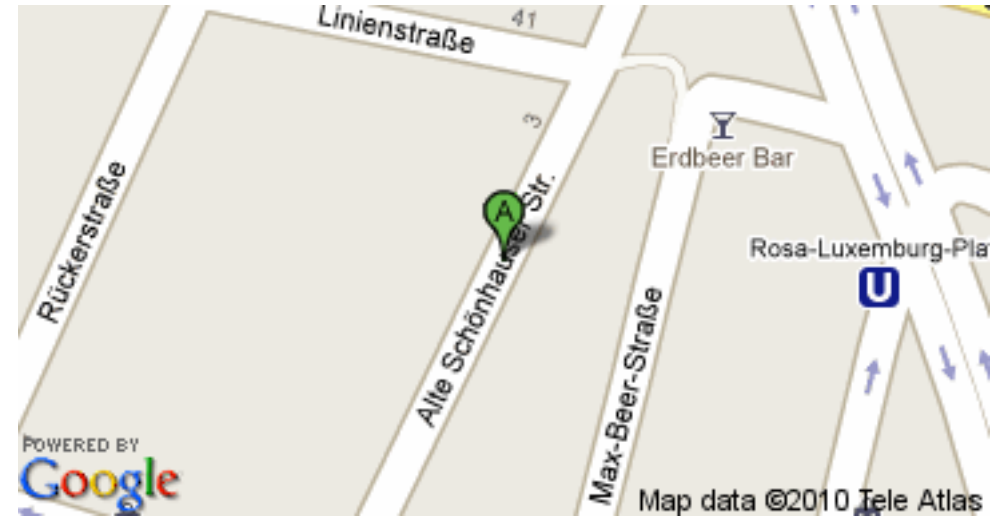
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Best Shop

Six Seasons to Shop

Shop | Mitte

Mon Sat, 12:00 20:00



Note: this location is closed as of 30 May 2009.

Best Shop features clothing from a different group of selected designers bimonthly, from well known to more obscure brands. The fashion year moves quickly here, rather than operating by the traditional fall/spring design dichotomy.

The general feel of the store is upbeat, and very expediently up-to-date. Maybe it's the LED displays. Maybe it's the rotating designs and influx of new garments. Maybe it's the fact that being the Best Shop in Berlin requires being on top of the ball in a way that this store actually pulls off. Prices reflect the high-end energy dedicated to this store-front.

Sumi Ha has been running the Best Shop since 2004, which quickly developed into a site for the international fashion community.

We have access to a unique pool of creatives, which we would like to present to our customers. With this new concept it is our aim to become an inspiring meeting point for stylists, journalists, photographers or simply

those interested in fashion, Sumi Ha explains about her new project.

The feedback from the designers from all parts of the world has been very positive, as it is often difficult for young talents to find a sales platform. In the new Best Shop they can test their acceptance on the market and increase their profile.

"Fashion shopping is not my favorite pastime, but when it needs to be done, it's best at Best. Haven't decided yet if I'm for Vibskov or Eduard Ballester..."

Best Shop

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Transport:
[U2] at Rosa Luxemburg Platz,
[U8] at Weinmeister Straße

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photo © Best Shop

Artemis

Ali Baba's Playground



This one's for the boys: its a real wellness place with pool, bio sauna, Turkish hamam, a restaurant and a well-sorted bar. Oriental style, clean and proper and on top of all of that, there are a slew of cosmopolitan girls whose main purpose is, ostensibly, to provide further relaxation.

You must be at least 18 years of age to enter.

Wellness | Mitte

Daily, 11:00 5:00



"Time for the aftershow party! A wellness experience of its own...senza parole."

Artemis

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, 10711 Berlin

T: +493089044410

W. [www.fkk-artemis.de/...](http://www.fkk-artemis.de/)

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Contemporary Fine Arts

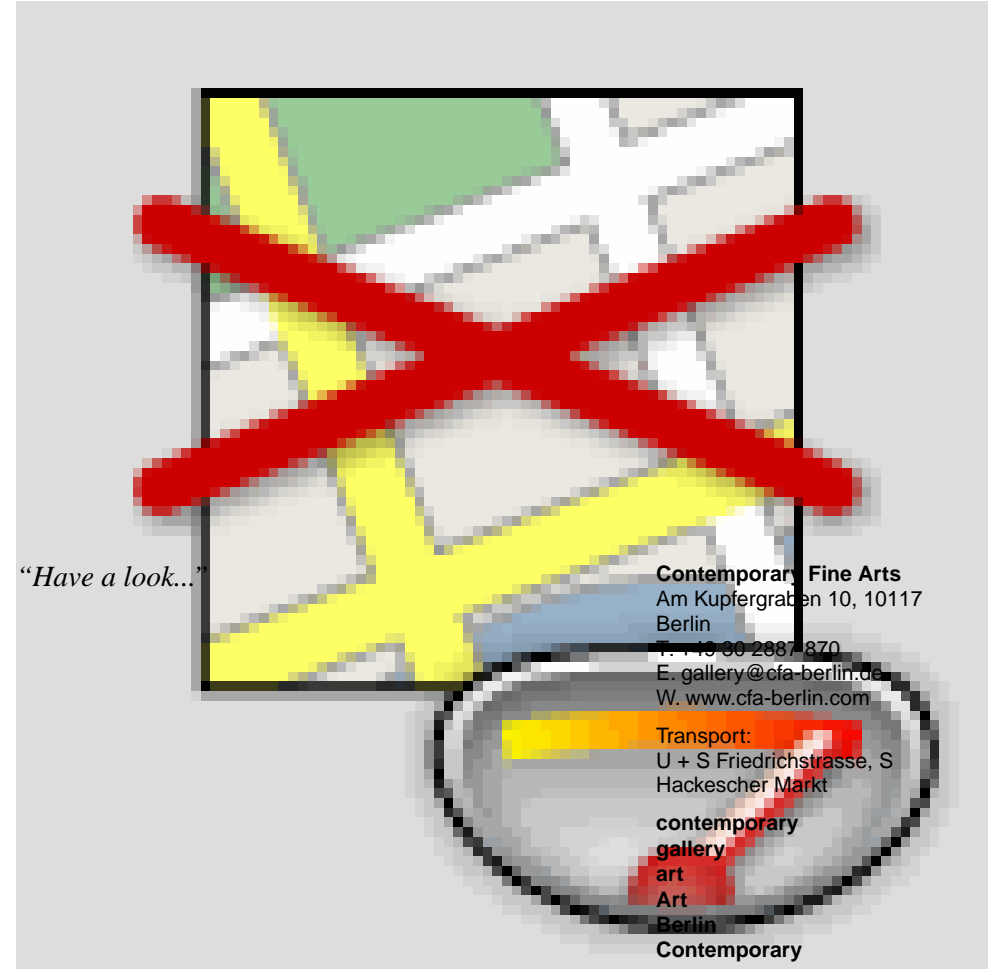
Up to date

Art | Mitte

Tue Fri 11:00-18:00, Sat 11:00-16:00



Originally founded in 1992 in West Berlin's Charlottenburg district, the gallery Contemporary Fine Arts moved to a new building at Kupfergraben, directly opposite Berlin's Museum Island. They featured exciting artists such as Jonathan Meese, Dash Snow and many others. New home of the Gallery is just another location for contemporary art, David Chipperfield's classy building vis--vis Museum Island.



Paris Bar

Time for a French kiss



This legendary restaurant was almost closed due to tax liability and an inability to pay the bills, but still stands strong on historic Kantstrasse in Charlottenburg. Part of Paris Bar's appeal is that probably not a centimeter of its red-painted, paparazzi shots-lined walls has not been touched by a celeb—from Gorbachev, Madonna or De Niro, nearly everyone was here.

Nowadays more tourists than heavyweights dine at the colorful French eatery, but if you think you're a big shot too, go and enjoy fish dishes, foie gras or lambchops.

Bar | Charlottenburg

Daily, 12:00 2:00



“Why do you need Mitte Galleries if you have the amazing art collection Charlottenburg Paris?”

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Transport:
[U1] at Uhlandstrasse

celebs
french
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Picknick

Jeunism Berlinoise



Picknick showed Berlin's creaking 1990s superclubs how to reinvent themselves for the Myspace generation. Stowed away from the street, the derelict remains of a vacant brick building space was revived into this improvisational playground for adults.

No slapdash job here: a wide front courtyard area rings in the comely hordes dressed to dazzle (and the volume); once inside, two intimate dance floors blast electro and indie-pop to appease friends of differing tastes. Those feeling suffocated can further escape to the back outdoor area and try their hand at yammering with the bunches of friendly party people.

Owners Björn & Tanja hold court at the city's temple of jeunism, hosting for the very young and very colorful fashionista crowd. Check their photosection and online mixes to get a glimpse of the original flavor, or visit their design store to understand why their parties are just so damn stylish.

Club | Mitte

Fun Usually Starts At 1:30



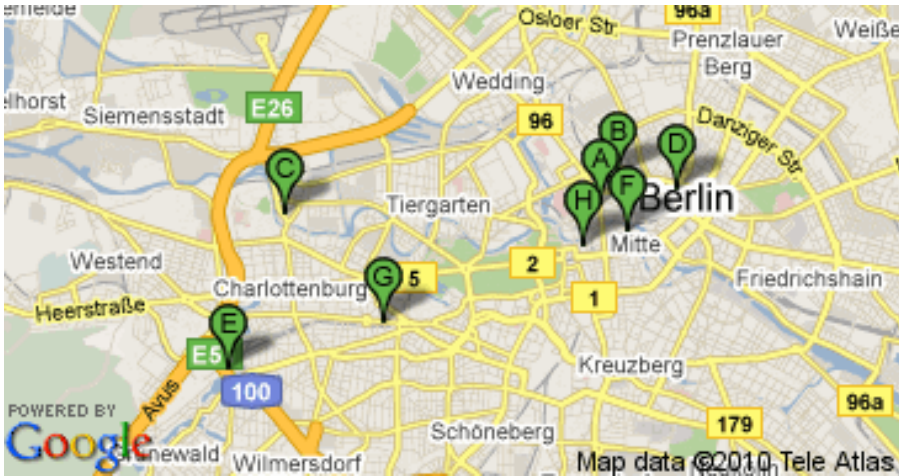
"The worst soundsystem. The best girls. The funniest promoters."

Picknick
Dorotheenstraße 90, 10117
Berlin
W. www.myspace.com/...

Transport:
[U][S] at Friedrichstraße

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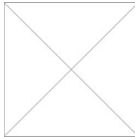
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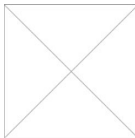
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