



**For Immediate Release:**

**Exhibit:** "Step toward Home"  
curated by Rebecca A. Layton

**Venue:** Dam, Stuhltrager Berlin

**Artists:** Anke Becker, Astrid Busch, Youngjoo Cho,  
Kane Do, Sophie Erlund, Lan Hungh,  
John Kleckner, Viktor Timofeev

**Dates:** June 4 – July 3 , 2010

**Opening Reception:** June 4 (19:00 – 22:00)

**Special Opening Event:** Performance by Global Alien "Homeland Security"  
Berlin-based artist collective Global Alien creates a physical gateway to the gallery that questions how one functions when moving toward or away from home. Visitors to the gallery participate in the investigation of how one interacts with the people that may stand in the way of their destination. The idea of "home" becomes a halted moment of transit, an in-between environment of potential restriction or liberation, much in the way that a home can be.

**Hours:** Wed – Sat. 12:00 - 18:00 or by appointment

**Contact:** Dam, Stuhltrager Berlin  
Fichtestrasse 3 Berlin, Germany  
[www.damstuhltrager.com](http://www.damstuhltrager.com)

**Directions:** U7 to Südsterm

### **About: "Step toward Home"**

"Step toward Home" marks the opening of Dam, Stuhltrager's second location and presents eight artists who have also chosen to call Berlin their home. Working in radically different forms, the body of works comprised raises the question of how one defines a home, immersing the viewer in seemingly endless possibilities of definition. What makes a home? Is it the structure? These artists show that home can be found in the material reality of the built house, remnants of sound, actions of compassion or neglect. Stability, insecurity, life-altering decisions—what do these invest into a simple location? One cannot define home in a single glance; it is an internalized notion of psychological, social, emotional, and even architectural dimensions. The complex subjectivity of this experience nonetheless also marks its universality: the memories, thoughts, and dreams that lead us to new homes and keep us all coming back. With "Step toward Home," Dam, Stuhltrager officially settles into its new home-away-from-home, "warming" the house with a vibrant cross-section of work from artists converging on the same little plot of land.

Special thanks to: Peres Projects who represents John Kleckner, Hannah Barry and Schmidt & Handrup who represent Viktor Timofeev, PSM who represents Sophie Erlund, Stedefreund who represents Astrid Busch

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