MOTHER TONGUE
Residency Unlimited, Colonels Row

Mother tongue: A 6 hour durational performance by Boryana Petkova

"My work transitions from personal history into something larger. My intention is to shape a collective future. It is about women, mothers — being human. About constraints and control, about limits and prejudices but also about the power of desire – as a driving force of change, fight, hope and love."

Performance lies at the center of Boryana Petkova’s practice. Her work is guided by the desire to overcome the lethargy caused by self-imposed limits. She imagines and creates links, at times even a symbiosis (although sometimes ephemeral) between opposing elements. Its main purpose is to connect different spaces, peoples and ideas.

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