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Electrical Walks Amsterdam
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Christina Kubisch's Electrical Walks allow for a new experience of the city – in this case, one that uncovers Amsterdam's hidden electromagnetic phenomena. Armed with special headphones that make audible the electromagnetic fields around us, and a map marked with magnetic landmarks, the visitors are offered an auditory adventure that shifts the perception of everyday reality by giving substance to invisible wavelengths and charges.

Using these headphones is not harmful, but please be careful because certain sound sources, particularly security gates, can be extremely loud.

Never walk through a security gate with the headphones switched on.

Take care when crossing roads! Look out for cyclists, trams, and motor vehicles! Switch off the headphones if necessary.

The route on the map is only a suggestion. Feel free to explore the city as you wish.

Some sounds indicated on the map are not always audible.

Walk slowly, occasionally stopping to move or turn your head around.

Electromagnetic fields can vary within very short distances. There is no guarantee the sound indicated of the map can always be heard.

Different electromagnetic waves are active depending on the time of day/night.

Switch on your headphones by turning the knob clockwise.

Increase volume to full by turning the knob two clicks; turning back one click lowers the volume and turning back once more switches it off.

To save battery power, turn off the headphones when not in use.

The headphones are custom made so treat them with care.

Please return the headphones promptly after your walk.

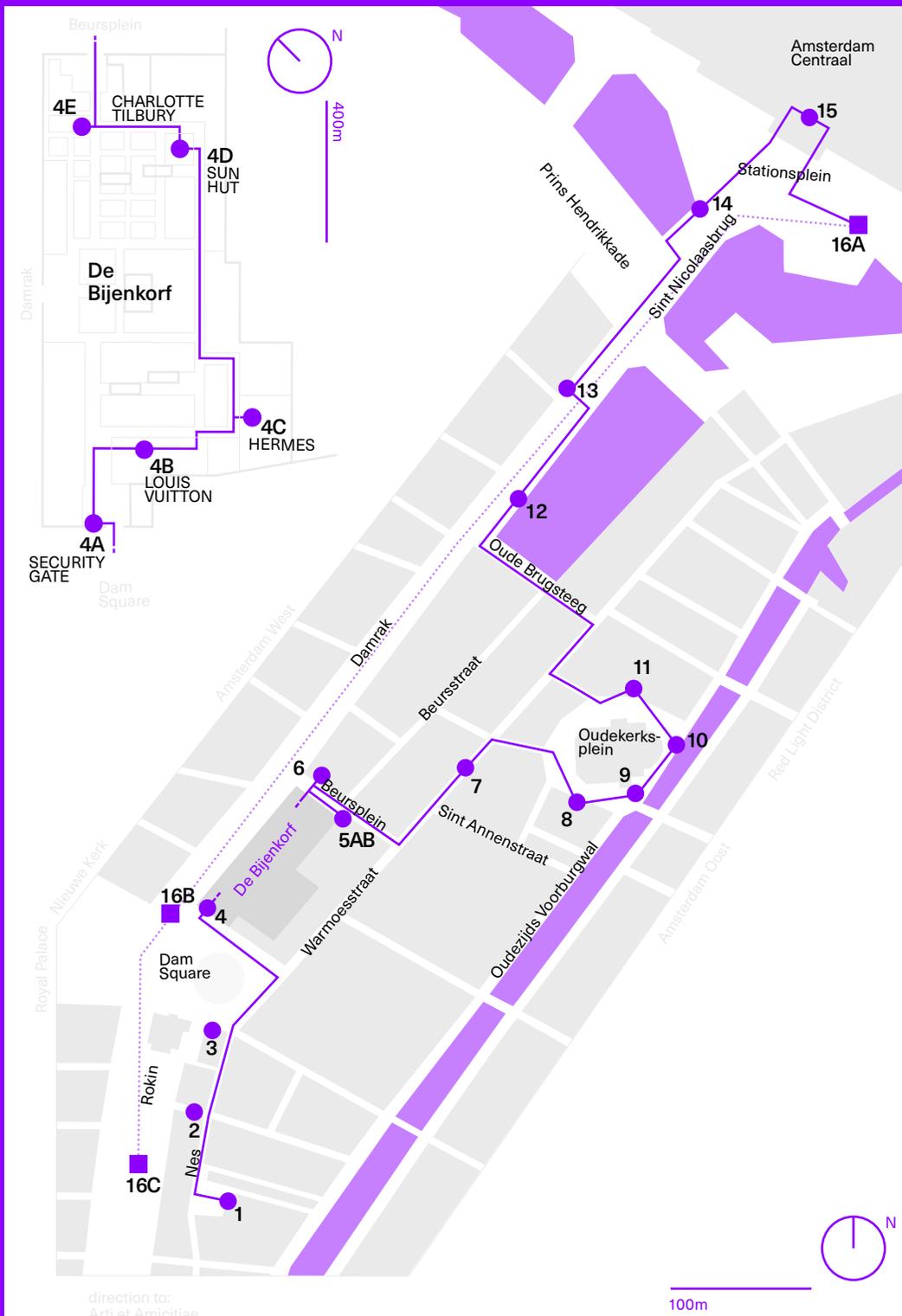
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ELECTROMAGNETIC
PHENOMENA



ELECTRICAL WALKS AMSTERDAM

1. De Brakke Grond
Collection point for electromagnetic headphones and map. The walk is free but a deposit is required to borrow the equipment.

2. Nadorststeeg
Listen at doors with the high voltage signs. Stand as close as possible.

3. Security gates
A. Holland 100%
The security gate has a very intense sound. Don't stand too close. Please do not enter shop while wearing the headphones. Attention, risk of damaging ears or headphones!

Stop in various places in front of entrance and move your head. Then walk to street corner.
B. Dam Square Souvenirs
Compare the sound with the first security gate. Don't get too close.

4. De Bijenkorf
A. Entrance security gates
Switch off your headphones before entering department store. Switch headphones back on once through the entrance.
B. Louis Vuitton
Approach the perfumes display window; discover the rhythmic pulsations. Find the best position. Turn corner and stop at the second Louis Vuitton entrance; listen again.

C. Hermes
Approach the Hermes department until you clearly hear pulsations. Walk left along the Hermes display windows and you will rediscover the same signals.
D. Sun Hut
Walk straight ahead until you reach the sunglasses.

E. Sun Hut
Stoop down closely over the different display cases (Bulgari, Tiffany & Co., etc.).

E. Charlotte Tilbury
Listen to the illuminated advertisements, LED screens and other signals. Go to the exit of de Bijenkorf and switch off headphones before leaving the building.

5. Q-Park de Bijenkorf – 7th floor
A. Elevator
Switch on headphones. Take the elevator to floor 7, standing near the doors.

B. Parking deck
Go onto the outside deck; listen to the signals. Walk straight on to the second deck, then head right and go to the end of the parking deck. Listen to the video camera and the white object on the fence. Enjoy the view.
Leave car park via the stairs; listen to the security signals behind the walls.

6. Beursplein: Underground bike parking
Walk down stairs; explore the space. Find electromagnetic silence. Exit on the other side. Walk through Papenbrugsteeg to Warmoesstraat.

7. Red light district
Walk along Warmoesstraat; keep left. Stop in front of Amsterdam Exchange Experience window. Listen to LED screen (if on). Continue walking. Turn into Wijde Kerksteeg. Proceed to Oudekerksplein.

8. Bicycle rental ATM
Go around church to Black Bikes rental. Approach ATM next door and listen – lean in close to the display.

9. Oude Kerk
Stop at Oude Kerk entrance; listen to various Wi-Fi and antennae signals. Walk around the church and find the best listening spot.

10. Canal
Approach canal; stay on waterside footpath. Listen to passing cars. Walk to Les Deux Frères shop. Don't get too close!

11. Sex shop ATM
Continue walking around church. Go to the ATM at Sex Shop and listen to the screen.
Return to Warmoesstraat. Take off headphones; rest your ears. Walk through Oude Brugsteeg to Damrak. Switch headphones on again at Damrak.

12. Damrak, waterside
Listen to variety of signals. Cross at yellow zebra crossing.

13. Damrak, streetside
Explore electrical display at currency exchange (red numbers). Walk along shops. Discover the sounds of various ATM machines and lights on this part of the street.

14. Sint Nicolaas Brug
Walk slowly, occasionally stopping. You may hear sounds from the metro passing underneath.

15. Central Station passages
Discover the ticket machines, timetables, ticket gates, illuminated adverts, security gates, LED screens, cameras, etc.

16. Way Back
A. Tram or Metro ride
Ride tram 4, 14 or 24 to Dam (one stop). Or take Metro 52 to Rokin (one stop). Walk back to De Brakke Grond.
B. Tramstop Dam
B is where you get off the tram
C. Metro stop Rokin
C is where you get off the metro

Please return headphones immediately after use.