

ELECTRICAL WALKS KOPAVOGUR

The walk is free but you will be asked to leave a personal document as a returnable deposit

1 - Museum Gerdarsafn - Get your electromagnetic headphones and start to explore the invisible fields of the city.

Cross the street and walk towards the parking lot.

2 - Corner of Parking lot - Stop at the entrance to the parking right in front of the electrical box Nr. G1171. Turn your head slowly from one side to the other. Then cross the street again.

3 - Salurinn - Enter the building. Listen to the high pitch signals at the entrance desk and near the elevator. Exit, turn to the left and walk down the stairs.

4 - Museum of Natural History (Náttúru-minjasafn Íslands) - Enter the museum through the glass door and walk into the exhibition. Discover the hidden sounds of the birds.

Exit and go up the stairs to your right.

5 - Bus stop - Go as close as possible to the waiting busses and listen. Take care not to get run over. If safe try different parts of the bus. If there is no bus, try later.

6 - Islandsbanki ATM - Approach as close as possible to the screen of the ATM machine. Listen to the nicest sounding bank of Kopavogur. Continue walking and go down towards the street through the bushes, be careful. Turn to your right.

7 - Allianz

7a - back entrance - Listen to the "pin code security entrance device" at the grey wall. Then go up and turn around the corner

7b - Main entrance - Listen again to the pin code device and compare.

8 - Parking lot - Listen to the cars which arrive and leave.

Follow the map until you reach Hamraborg 12.

9 - Parking underground garage

9a - Entrance - Enter the garage at the gas station Olis and turn left. Walk slowly along the parked cars. Listen to the different frequencies.

9b - Ventilation system - Stop at the large ventilation system on the wall of the left side. Explore the area.

Then go straight on and exit the garage. Go back to the street.

10 - Video "markadurinn" - Walk slowly along the shop and listen to the security gates. Be aware, they can be very loud. If you want to play the slot machines inside on the lower floor, first turn off your headphone before passing through the gates in order not to damage your ears and the headphones.

Cross the street.

11 - Electric box "rafnmagnskassi" - Stop at Hamraborg 5 and listen to the white box with the graffiti at various angles.

Walk on and cross the street once more, taking care for traffic.

12 - Landsbankinn

12a - ATM machine - Listen to the ATM machine inside the entrance and compare with the previous one.

12b - Elevator - Enter the elevator. Listen to the display while going to floor 2 and go down again.

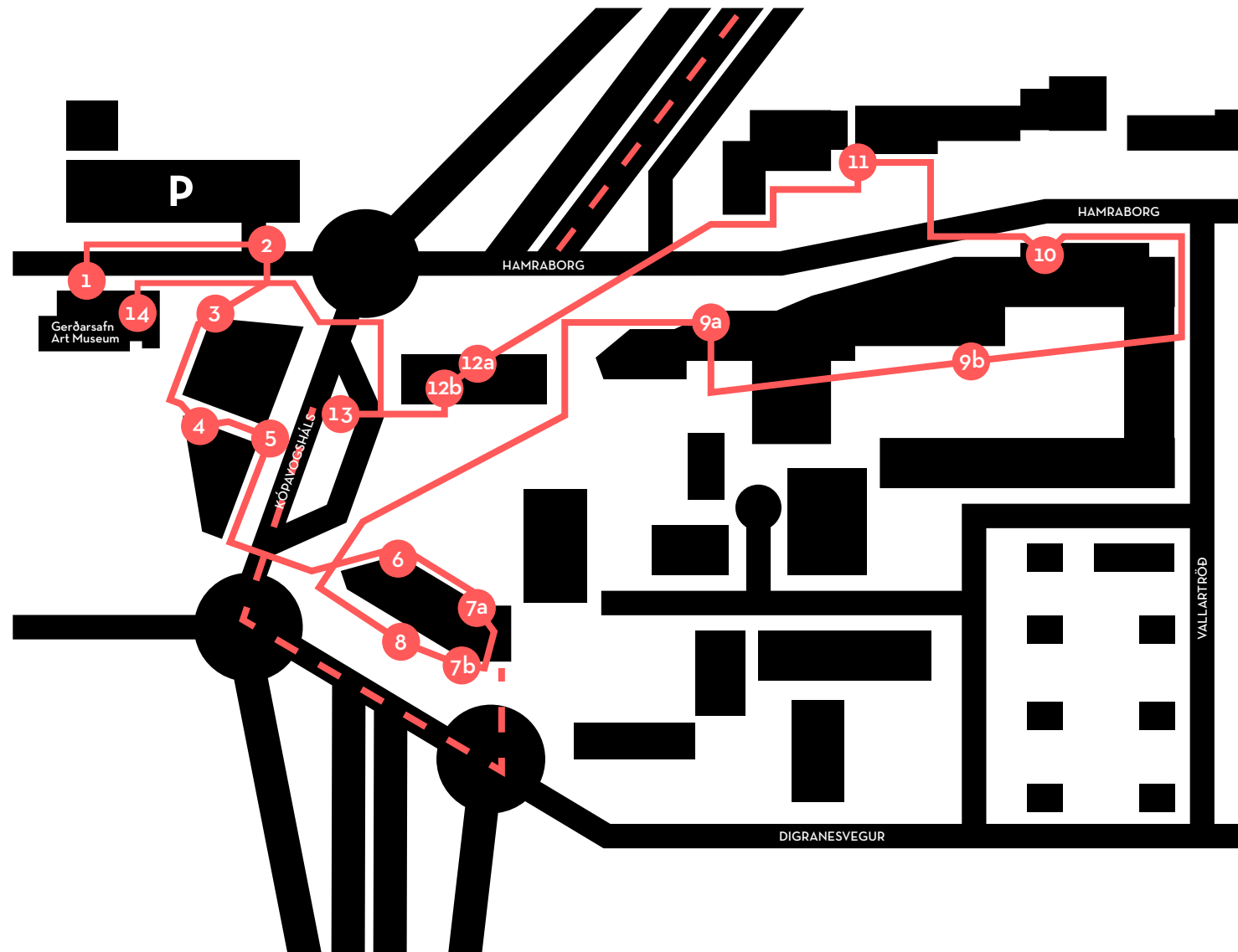
13 - Bus ride to Kringlan - If you want to continue proceed to the bus stop and take bus Nr. 1,2 or 4 for the shopping centre Kringlan. Enjoy the singing sounds during the bus ride. Get out at the stop Kringlan and enter the shopping mall. You will discover a completely different electromagnetic world. (see separate instructions).

If you prefer to go by car drive with the headphones on.

Another option is to go back directly to the museum.

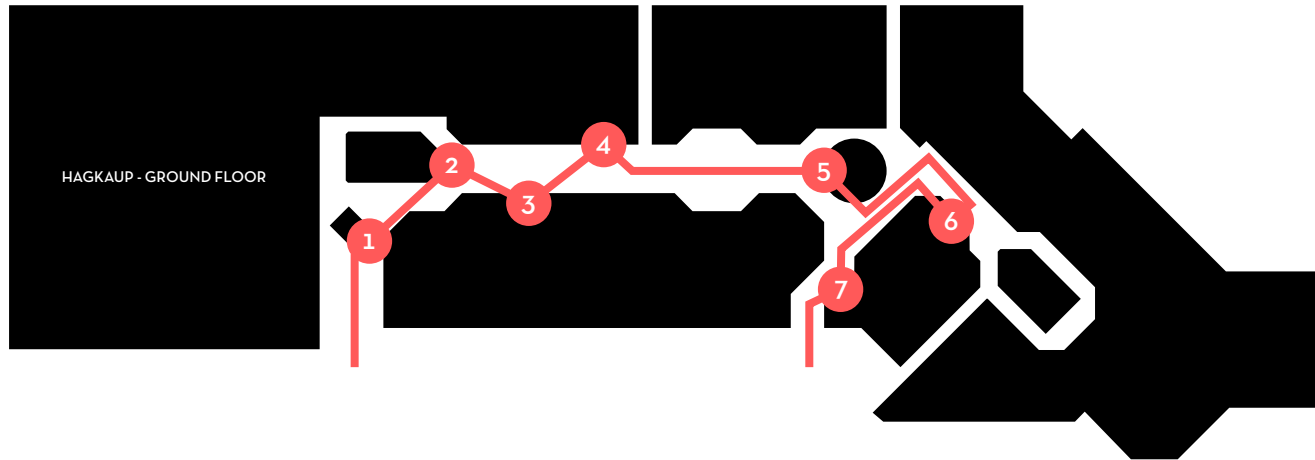
14. Exhibition "New Release" in Gerdarsafn Kopavogur Museum - Enter the exhibition space. Listen to the screens, the projectors, the amplifiers, speakers and other electrical objects in the exhibition.

Please turn off your headphone and bring it back after you have finished the walk.



--- BUS RIDE TO KRINGLAN

ELECTRICAL WALKS KRINGLAN



This shopping mall was founded in 1987. It was the first of its kind in Iceland. It is different of all other shopping malls in the world: 90% of the security gates are not switched on! You can find out which ones by listening: security gates which are not working are silent.

Enter the shopping mall from the parking space downstairs at Hagkaup.

1 - Photo booth - enter the photo booth and listen to the different light zones and the screen

2 - Wi-Fi Area - Explore the many signals in the area between L'Occitane, the Café, Skoris.is and Timberland. Find different listening spots, stop and turn your head around.

3 - Body shop - Enter the shop and listen as close as possible to the enlightened cosmetic displays. It sounds as colourful as it looks.

4 - Vero Moda - This security gate is working and has good techno beats.

Proceed to the next square.

5 - Signal area 2 - Rediscover the Wi-Fi signals and others. Compare them to listening point 2.

6 - Islands Banki - Enjoy the four different money machines.

7 - Levis - A farewell beat before leaving.

Feel free to explore the other floors on your own.

Take the bus or car back to Kopavogur.

Christina Kubisch's Electrical Walks enable a new experience of the city, one that uncovers Kopavogur's hidden electromagnetic phenomena. Armed with a special headphone that amplifies the perceptibility of electrical currents and a map marked with local magnetic landmarks, visitors are offered an auditory adventure that shifts perception of everyday reality by giving substance to invisible wavelengths and charges.

Use of headphones is not harmful, but please be cautious as certain sound sources, particularly security gates, can be extremely loud. Never walk through a security gate with headphones on.

Take care when crossing roads.

The route indicated on the map is a suggestion only. Feel free to explore the city as you choose. Walk slowly and sometimes stop and just turn your head around. Electromagnetic fields can vary within very short distances. There is no guarantee that the indicated sounds of the map can be heard all the time.

Please turn your headphones off when not in use in order to save the power of the batteries and return them promptly after your walk. Treat them carefully, they are custom made.

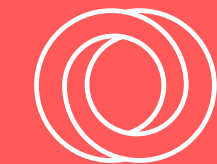
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