

Press Release
Oscar Tuazon: “Lighthouse”

On **25 October 2025**, the 23rd project of the growing exhibition series “**ART FLOW – Art in the Limmat Valley**” will open in **Kappelerhof, Baden**. At the edge of the forest, renowned American artist **Oscar Tuazon** has realised a striking **social sculpture** titled *Lighthouse* – an imposing yet minimalist structure made of **concrete, steel, and wood**. At once an artwork and a functional public space, *Lighthouse* serves as a neighbourhood meeting point for all generations — a place to gather, grill, and connect.

Since his participation in the **Venice Biennale** and the **Skulptur Projekte Münster**, Tuazon (*1975) has been recognised as one of the leading figures of a new generation of artists exploring **social issues in public space**. His works often intersect with architecture and embrace a raw, improvised aesthetic that stands in deliberate contrast to the polished perfection of contemporary urban design. Tuazon’s sculptural structures bear visible marks of their making and use, transforming them into **objects of collective experience and perception**.

Tuazon’s intervention in Baden, conceived specifically for ART FLOW, continues his engagement with the dynamics and transformation of public space. As regulation and standardisation increasingly define our built environment, informal meeting places and shared spaces are disappearing. *Lighthouse* positions itself precisely at this **fracture line of social change**, offering people a platform for encounter and exchange. Through the primal gesture of an open fire, it invites visitors to **warm themselves, participate, and engage** – an invitation to take part in public life.

The **cylindrical sculpture** functions simultaneously as a meeting point, barbecue, warming place, and even a **lookout tower** for the more adventurous, offering panoramic views over the lower Limmat Valley. Situated on the forest’s edge and left to natural processes, the artwork is designed to **evolve over time** – a transformation the artist explicitly welcomes.

Public Opening:

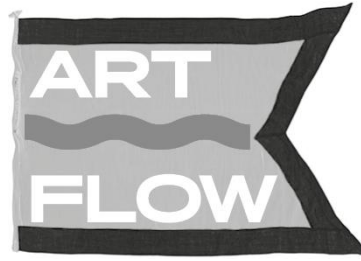
Saturday, 25 October 2025, 3:00 pm

Playground Augustwiese, Eulenweg, 5400 Baden

Welcome addresses:

Markus Schneider, President ART FLOW / Mayor of Baden

Petra Winiger Østrup, Head of Art Mediation, ART FLOW



About ART FLOW:

ART FLOW is a growing, long-term art initiative engaging with the cultural, ecological, and social landscape of the **Limmat Valley**. By the end of 2025, around two dozen site-specific works will have been realised – stretching from **Zurich's Bellevue** to the **Aargau Water Castle** – all freely accessible to the public. ART FLOW is curated by **Christoph Doswald** and takes place as part of **Regionale 2025**.

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