

HOTS! Soundscape RADIO:

ANNIE MAHTANI: Zionskirsche

This soundwalk was recorded when working in Berlin in August 2010. During this time I was only able to explore this small area of the city. The journey begins and ends in the bell tower of Zionskirsche, a church located on the highest natural point of Berlin, just off Prenzlauer Platz. From the bell tower I take a slow route downhill from the serene square, through parks and finally across busy roads leading down to Elisabethkirsche. On this short journey I encounter a multitude of events yet the most prominent and inescapable sonic characteristic of the area are the bells of Zionskirsche which envelope the landscape when they ring.

Annie Mahtani is a composer and sound artist based in Birmingham, UK. Her music is created from realworld sounds which are then transformed, manipulated and restructured. She has completed her MPhil and PhD at the University of Birmingham. With a view to leaving room for collaboration with other artists, she has also worked with dance and theatre, exploring the relationship between sound and movement.

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