

# JORNADAS KRAX 2009

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*power to transform, power to create*

3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of urban creativity in response to the city's transformation

**:: 20 - 23 May 2009 ::**

RAI - c/ Carders, 13, Barcelona

<http://krax-jornadas.citymined.org>

*It's a beautiful moment when an  
assault against the world order is set in motion.*  
Guy Debord.

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For third year, KRAX organises the Jornadas KRAX, from the 20th to the 23rd of May 2009 in Barcelona.

The KRAX Jornadas are an international meeting of creative citizen initiatives. The KRAX Jornadas visualise and connect different independent initiatives who develop new formats of political, cultural and economic organisation and participation in the city. During the 4 days of the Jornadas, groups of 8 different cities meet in Barcelona to share and to debate, among them and with initiatives from Barcelona, creative experiences of political thought and action.

We understand these new ways of independent participation, emerging from the *cracks* in the city, as the "collective urban creativity": practices that generate knowledge, new ways to do and propose alternatives in response to a unitary interpretation of the city and its complexity.

From KRAX we want to compile, connect and to inform at a horizontal level these new visions and practices on the city, culture and politics, to share, empower and to stimulate the work of these independent initiatives.

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The first Jornadas KRAX, in April 2007, tried to define that collective urban creativity that emerged in response to urban conflicts, showing the capacity and potential of the cracks as *ruptures* of the hegemonic discourse and as places of citizen *appropriation*. In the second meeting, in April 2008, we decided to focus on those independent groups and spaces where that collective creativity becomes *common*, where new formats of debate, participation and management of the collective are rehearsed and experienced.

More than 40 initiatives have passed through both editions of the Jornadas, meeting, knowing, sharing, debating...

For these Jornadas KRAX 2009 we want to continue with this collective questioning, guided by several concepts of the social processes and relations, as *autonomy*, *power-to*, *self-institution*, *commons*...



