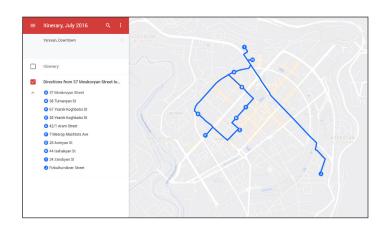
Incidents (of Travel)

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Our interest to participate in this itinerary was conditioned by the fact that we saw the closure of the Armenian Open University, Department of Fine Arts in 2014. It was an official educational complex granting bachelor's degree in alternative art education. The University was located in the same art studio space as the National Center of Aesthetics [is], where we attend classes in arts and culture. Before the closure of the University, the overall place was very active, full of students, young artists and professors. For instance, you could always hear the noise of tools, movements, talks and sounds coming from exhibitions. You could not find a calm corner there!

Our feelings about the past associations left from the University very well match with the main idea of this itinerary to research, map and walk through disappeared art institutions in Yerevan. The itinerary has made us consider and face how the physical, material and the literal existence of buildings, spaces and places could be important. Such a perspective contributes to the final format of "Incidents (of Travels)" which takes place in the virtual platform. On the one hand, the format of travels indicates to the condition that what now can be juxtaposed as abstracted places and forgotten pieces of art histories is possible through the digital images. On the other hand, these images are reduced down and turned into concrete information.



Itinerary: July 31, 2016

Start the itinerary by walking from the former Armenian Open University (Moskovyan 37 Street).

Walk 5 minutes to former Gevorgyan gallery (38/7a Tumanyan Street),

Walk 10 minutes to former First Floor Art House (67 Yeznik Koghbatsi Street),

Walk 15 minutes to former akanat café-gallery (28 Yeznik Koghbatsi Street),

Walk around 10 minutes to former Ex-Voto Gallery (42/1 Aram Street),

Walk 20 minutes to former Hay Art Cultural Center (7a Mesrop Masthots Avenue),

Walk less than 10 minutes to former akanat Gallery (28 Amiryan Street),

Walk 20 minutes to former Krunk or Mkrtchyan Gallery (Isahakyan Street, 44 House),

Walk 5 minutes to former Utopiana NGO (34 Zarobyan Street),

Finish the itinerary by walking 20 minutes to the Institute of Contemporary Art (48 Fizkulturnikner Street).