

Dungeons and Dasein
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Dungeons: A dungeon is a room or cell in which prisoners are held, especially underground. The word dungeon comes from French donjon (also spelled dongeon), which means "keep", the main tower of a castle. Though it is uncertain, both dungeon and donjon are thought to derive from the Middle Latin word dominio, meaning "lord" or „master“.

Dasein: is a German word that means "being there" or "presence" (German: da "there"; sein "being"), and is often translated into English with the word "existence". It is a fundamental concept in the existential philosophy of Martin Heidegger, particularly in his magnum opus *Being and Time*. Heidegger uses the expression Dasein to refer to the experience of being that is peculiar to human beings. Thus it is a form of being that is aware of and must confront such issues as personhood, mortality and the dilemma or paradox of living in relationship with other humans while being ultimately alone with oneself.

Elin Gonzalez *1987 in Villa Angela, Argentina. She lives and works in Geneva, Switzerland. Her recent exhibitions include WALLA WALLA TIME, Ballostar Mobile, Bern (2019), Where Do Streams Run To ?, Damien & The Love Guru x Lucas Hirsch, CFAlive, Milan (2019), Silver Lake, Kirchgasse, Steckborn (2019), Alienze, Lausanne (2019), Jugend ist Trunkenheit ohne Wein, curated by Julian-Jakob Kneer, BIKINI, Basel (2019), Purify/Rot, Lucas Hirsch, Düsseldorf (2018).

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